

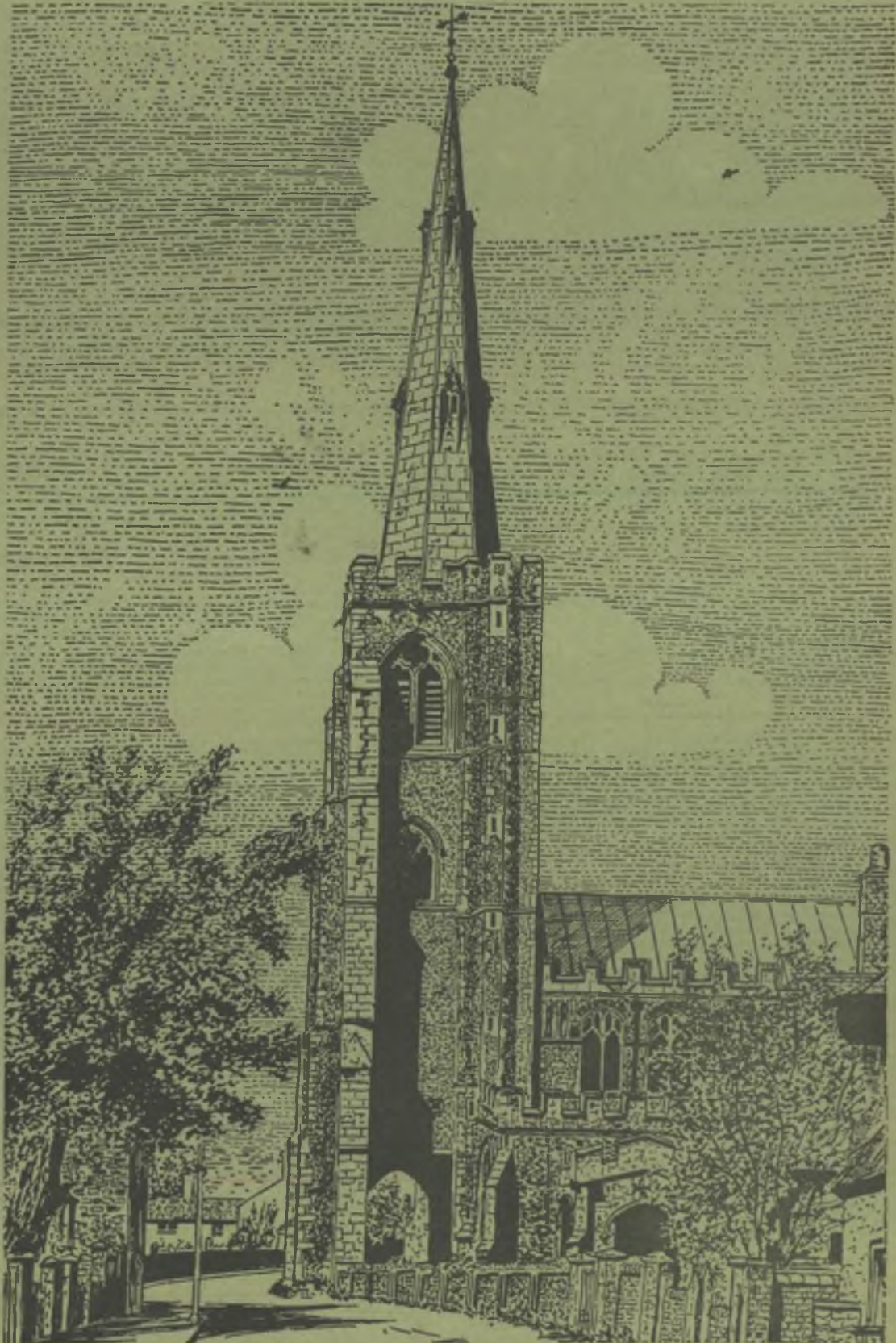
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COMMENT

FINDING NEW FIELDS TO CONQUER

CHANGE RINGING in England has reached a stage far in advance of anything contemplated as recently as five years ago. Spiced Surprise Major under the guidance and inspiration of Mr. Anthony Peake has climbed to 165 methods, and Mr. Norman Smith has had the immense satisfaction of ringing a peal to 23 Spiced Surprise Major methods in which all the work of all the bells is rung in the stipulated methods. Minor and Doubles multi-method peals have attained fantastic heights and it is not uncommon to read the report of a peal occupying about half a column of "The Ringing World."

The pinnacle of human endeavour, both mental and physical, mounts up steadily year by year. The performances of Mr. Peter Border have set those who study the mastery of the bell and change ringing new standards, and some might say that the time is ripe for opening up a new vista in the art of change ringing. A unique opportunity for inventive genius is being stimulated by the offer of an anonymous donor to provide a prize of 100 guineas for the best new method on an even number of bells in which all the bells do all the work. The idea is to break away from treble-hunt and treble-dominated methods.

We are approaching the time when three centuries will have passed since Fabian Stedman expounded his principle in "Campanalogia." It has stood the test of time; Stedman is still considered to be a very worthy method in Triples, Caters and Cinques. Indeed, the polished performances of Cinques by St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham culminating in a peal of 15,699 changes on November 12th, and the College Youths' outstanding exhibition of ringing simultaneously three peals of Stedman Cinques in London, indicate the favour with which the music of Stedman is held and that it calls even in this age for faculties of concentration.

Can this age produce a method to capture the imagination like the Stedman principle? There have been attempts, as evidenced by Duffield or Forward, but they have never succeeded in becoming popular. A similar idea was promoted by Lord Wrenbury when Saffron Walden bells were being restored, but it fell upon an unresponsive public. Before accepting this generous offer the Editor consulted members of his committee and certain officers of the Central Council. Whilst the view was not unanimous, the consensus of opinion was in favour of the competition being held.

The Editor has been fortunate in obtaining the services of two able assessors, both of whom are well known as composers and peal ringers of repute. It is their wish and also the desire of the Editor that they shall remain anonymous; furthermore, their work shall be divorced from any committee of the Central Council. Methods approved by them will be published under a number—it is considered that entries from well-known names might have an influence on public choice. The main gauge will be ringing the method to peals, quarter peals or touches. These should be reported to the Editor with individual comments.

Lastly, the Editor would like to express a warm thank you to the generous donor who conceived the idea. The prize money has already been paid to "The Ringing World" and it now remains for the ringers of this generation to prove that we have men, and possibly women, among us capable of presenting new ideas in composition to expand the Exercise in directions so far untrodden.

OUR PICTURE

St. Wendreda's Church, March

Mr. Trevor A. Bevis, whose articles and drawings have given pleasure to our readers for many years, provides our front page picture this week. The church, which is a mixture of 13th, 14th and 16th century styles, occupies a position on the Old Fen Road, and the passage beneath the tower preserves an ancient right-of-way.

The steeple is unusual for the Eastern Counties in that it has a turret backbone, which style is found mostly in Devon and Somerset. While the exterior is pleasing to the eye, the famous showpiece of March is the remarkable double-hammerbeam angel roof, which was carved by Suffolk men about 450 years ago. Embodied in the design are over 100 angel musicians, attended by a mute congregation of martyrs and prophets holding books and emblems. No wonder the Camden Society regarded this hammerbeam roof as the finest in existence. It has been said that this roof played a part in the inspiration of that masterpiece of detective fiction, "The Nine Tailors," as Miss Dorothy Sayers, who lived a few miles from the church, frequently visited St. Wendreda's.

The six fine-toned bells, with a tenor of 15 cwt., were cast by Thomas Osborn at Downham Market in 1802, and the treble recast in 1929. With war years excepted, not once in living memory has March Church been without an active team of ringers, and it is thought that they have been manned successfully for 165 years. The past 20 years have been particularly rewarding and in that time at least 100 boys and girls have learned to ring. There are at present 18 ringers, and the bells are rung on Sunday mornings and evenings, with practices on Mondays.

63 YEARS A BELLRINGER

A remarkable record of 63 years of bell-ringing at St. Alkelda's, Giggleswick, Yorks, was honoured on January 28th, when a dinner was held at the Black Horse Hotel, Giggleswick, with Mr. William Silverwood, of Marshfields, Settle, as the guest of honour. Mr. Silverwood began his ringing career in 1904 and still, on occasions, gives the younger members of the band the benefit of his vast experience.

Canon E. A. J. Miller, president of the belfry, proposed the toast to Mr. Silverwood, saying that few indeed can have so long a record. Commenting on Mr. Silverwood's youthful appearance, he said that bellringing must be a most healthy form of exercise. He thanked Mr. Silverwood for his exceptional service, not only in the belfry but also in the choir and every church activity. Mr. Silverwood is the only surviving member of the original Church Council founded in 1921, and he has to his credit many years of service as a churchwarden.

Replying, Mr. Silverwood expressed his appreciation and recalled days and names of long ago. He wished the ringers well and said how pleased he was with the progress made in the past year under the patient and painstaking tuition of the conductor, Mr. Stan Wright.

David Parry was thanked for the arrangements he had made for an excellent dinner and an enjoyable evening. It is hoped to hold this function annually.

WOODSTOCK, OXON.—On Jan. 30th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: B. Henson 1, E. R. Venn (cond.) 2, N. I. Bridges 3, T. Hester 4, P. Pearce 5, W. Clarke 6, D. Floyd 7, B. J. Coggins 8. First on eight 1 and 3.

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Search for a Modern Fabian Stedman

ONE HUNDRED GUINEAS PRIZE

We are approaching the period of the tercentenary of the works of Fabian Stedman. "Tintinnalogia" was published in 1668 and "Campanalogia" in 1677. These thoughts have induced an anonymous donor to ask the question "Can this age produce a modern Fabian Stedman?" Accordingly, he has generously offered a prize of 100 guineas for the best new system of even numbers of bells in which all the bells do all the work.

The anonymous donor writes: "With the exception of Stedman's Principle, which is still as popular as ever, the system of change ringing which has developed over the past three centuries, and which is now almost exclusively practised, is that of Treble-hunt, or Treble-dominated, methods. By thus confining itself to one form of change ringing, the Exercise may have lost sight of the possibilities, opened up by Stedman, of ringing by other systems."

This competition is therefore arranged to see if any present-day ringer can emulate Stedman and produce a system for even numbers in which every bell does the same work.

THE RULES

1. Entries may consist of one principle. If, however, this principle can be shown to be one of a larger class or system, this will be taken into account by the assessors.

2. Purely theoretical entries are not required; the competition is for a principle or system suitable for practical ringing.

3. In order to give as wide a field as possible, and bearing in mind that a new system would probably require its own rules, competitors may disregard the present rules of the Central Council relating to method construction, but the traditional requirements of starting from and finishing with rounds and without repetition must be observed and no bell may move more than one place at a time.

4. It is not a condition that the principle or system must give a simple blue line extension, although it will be considered a merit if the principle or system can be extended to higher numbers using a reasonably straightforward set of rules. Nor, if for eight bells, is it necessary that the principle should be adaptable for Minor.

5. The competition is not restricted to individuals, for it is envisaged that the best entries may well be the result of collaboration.

6. Entrants are required to submit the following:—

- (a) A description of the basis upon which the system or principle is constructed, and how it is adapted for 6, 8, 10 or 12 bells.
- (b) A plain course pricked out in full.
- (c) Particulars of the means of obtaining longer lengths.
- (d) If suitable for six bells, written out in shortened form.
- (e) For eight bells or more, a quarter peal, and a demonstration that a peal is possible.
- (f) A clear description of the way of proving the truth of touches and peals.

CONDITIONS

The Editor's decision in making the award is final. He is being assisted by two assessors who shall remain anonymous. Methods worthy of consideration will be published, so as to enable the Exercise to appreciate their value. Due consideration will be given to reports or tests such as peals and quarter peals. When a method is published the name of the entrant will not be announced; he will be given a number. More than one entry may be submitted from an individual or group.

Entries close on December 31st, 1967, and must be addressed to: The Editor, "The Ringing World," c/o Seven Corners Press, Onslow Street, Guildford. Members of the Editorial Committee of "The Ringing World" and ex-officio officers of the Council attending meetings of that committee are barred from entering.

LEADING PEAL RINGER, 1966



MR. G. E. THODAY

Heading the list of peal ringers for 1966 is Mr. G. E. Thoday, of Cambridge, with a total of 116 (conducted 50) and rung in 98 different towers. He works in Essex in the County Council's Motor Taxation Department.

A native of Over, Cambridgeshire, he was born in 1941 and taught to ring there in 1955. He made rapid strides with the invaluable assistance of ringers at Willingham, having rung his first peal (seven Doubles methods) on September 6th, 1958.

Of his present total of 497 (conducted 172), his most memorable attempt was at Exeter Cathedral in May, 1965. A novel point about his 1966 peals is that his first was rung in Suffolk on January 1st and his last of the year on December 31st, also in the same county.

Mr. David Beacham has resigned the secretaryship of the Worcestershire and Districts Association. His successor is Mr. Roy Sheppard.

ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD

Bitterly cold weather; a treble that went so well she parted company with her stay in the first minute of ringing; a tenor which got hot bearings and wasn't going to go anywhere at all: a nice touch of Stedman Triples ably conducted by Mrs. Jeanne Bottomley; Norwich Surprise which didn't manage to get conducted by anyone; a tea which did manage to rise above stale sandwiches; and a whole bevy of new officers—all part of the Guild's annual general meeting held on January 7th at Almondbury.

After a vote of thanks to retiring officials (especially to Miss Winnie Mortimer for three years as a first-class secretary), the following elections were made: Chairman, R. Senior; Master, A. Rogers; secretary, I. Roberts; treasurer, A. W. Bond; auditor, H. Quarmby; committee, P. Birkett, H. Quarmby, D. Smith; Joint Council representatives, P. Birkett and E. Lord.

All good men and true, determined to ring lots more Woodbine, Violet and other methods bringing up 65's whilst rejecting Cambridge, London and the like as needless and "Irregular" Southern innovations.

If you like your Minor rung "Cartwheel" come and join us at Northowram on March 4th, where for additional fun we propose to do surgery on the Guild's constitution. I. R.

ALDRINGTON, KENT.—On Feb. 2nd, 1,272 Minor (three methods): E. Clifton 1, Sylvia Knight 2, Brenda Davies 3, H. Deacon 4, B. J. Johnson 5, N. J. Davies (cond.) 6.

Yorkshire Association's Popular Meeting

The general meeting held in and around Sheffield on January 21st was the Association's most successful January meeting for a long time. Whether the attendance of well over 100 was due to the attraction of the six at Walkley, so long out of action, to the election of a replacement for Mr. V. Bottomley as one of the Association's representatives on the Central Council, or to the presentation of the new rules, was a matter of discussion during the day.

A good selection of towers—two sixes (Wentworth and Walkley), two eights (Ecclesfield and St. Marie's), a ten (Ranmoor) and a twelve (the Cathedral)—provided a wide variety of opportunity for members, while the crowds in the belfries provided the Ringing Masters with organising problems.

The welcome given by the Vicar, ringers and parishioners at Walkley, in church, at tea and in the belfry, was outstanding. This was the Association's first visit to the parish; it is likely there will be others if members' reactions have any influence. Mr. E. Hudson spoke for all when he proposed a vote of thanks at tea to everyone who had helped, and the Rev. S. A. Clark (Vicar) replied. He allowed the ringing at Walkley afterwards to exceed the allotted time by an hour so that everyone could ring, and while members organised themselves into bands waiting to ring, they rang handbells and talked with the local ringers and churchwardens.

Some important business was dealt with. The new rules and standing orders were approved unanimously and are now in operation. Two of the more important changes are that "Honorary" members will be called "Associate," and there will be a standing sub-committee. Standing orders for peal conductors are described in detail, and the size of District committees is being reduced.

Mr. John Seager, of Sheffield, was voted to be the new Central Council representative, and the nomination of Mr. Christopher Moxon, of Cawthorne, for the treasurer'ship was received. Mr. A. Bashforth gave a brief report of the 1966 Snowdon Dinner at Catterick Bridge and he was thanked by the president, Mr. V. Bottomley, for making such a success of the event.

Mr. R. Ducker reported that the next Snowdon Dinner, on October 21st, would now be held in the Civic Hall, Cottingham, and not at Beverley, and that there was ample accommodation there.

The annual general meeting was arranged for April 29th at Skipton, and the autumn meeting will probably be at Whitby on September 16th.

New members elected were: Peter Town (Northallerton), Geoffrey Dykes (Scarborough), Philip Moorhouse (Barwick-in-Elmet), Jeremy Burnett (Tadcaster), D. H. Warren, B. M. Warren, R. H. Brueton and H. Walker (Giggleswick), and as non-residents: Katherine Thorley, D. A. Pearce, Marjorie Yarnold, Harry Parkes and Arthur Lewry.

PEAL RINGING IN 1966

656 First Pealers

OF the 5,000-6,000 peal ringers in the Exercise, 3,971 rang peals during 1966. 252 of them rang 25 or more peals, but only one—George E. Thoday, of Cambridge—rang more than 100. Of his total of 116 he conducted 50, and he consequently tied with C. Barrie Dove for the position of leading conductor. For the second year in succession Gillian M. Hunt (née Hussey) is the leading lady, with 75 peals, while her husband, D. John Hunt, with 89 peals, has dropped to second place in the tower-bell list and to third overall. Special congratulations go to No. 8 in the list—Edward Jenkins, of Oldham. To ring 75 peals, many of them on the "heavy end," while in one's seventies is a wonderful achievement. Congratulations are also due to Martin Green, of Leicester, who appears at No. 58. He rang his first peal at Shephed on January 1st, 1966, and the 48 peals he rang by the end of the year included 44 of Surprise from Minor to Maximus, and one of Bob Royal.

Complete details are published on page 129, but the following are the leading ringers in the main divisions:

TOWER BELLS

Men:	1. George E. Thoday ..	116
	2. D. John Hunt ..	89
	3. J. Alan Ainsworth ..	82
Women:	1. Gillian M. Hunt ..	75
	2. Judith M. Corby ..	57
	Margaret E. Fort ..	57
Conductors:	1. George E. Thoday ..	50
	C. Barrie Dove ..	50
	3. Geoffrey K. Dodd (sic) ..	42½

HANDBELLS

Men:	1. Robert B. Smith ..	39
	2. Christopher T. Osenton ..	31
	3. Rupert A. Clarke ..	29
Women:	1. S. Kathleen M. Baldwin ..	23
	2. Maud Austin ..	15
	3. Mary Whalley ..	14
Conductors:	1. Robert B. Smith ..	28
	2. Christopher T. Osenton ..	22
	3. John R. Mayne ..	16
	Richard J. Parker ..	16

FOR MAJORITY—A SUCCESSFUL PEAL A REAL HIGHLIGHT

As John and Gill Hunt passed their index cards to us at the beginning of 1966, it has been possible to compare details of ringers who scored peals last year with those who did so in 1965. Although the number of peal ringers in each of the last three years has remained fairly steady (there were 3,668 in 1964 and 4,010 in 1965, compared with 1966's 3,971), it has become apparent that the actual number of peal ringers is probably nearer 6,000. A check has shown that 1,456 of those who rang a peal in 1965 failed to ring another last year. Since nearly 1,400 of these rang only one or two peals in 1965 anyway, and three-quarters of the 1966 peal ringers did the same, it is clear that the majority of the names we see in the peal columns are those of men and women to whom a successful peal is a real highlight in their ringing lives, something to be looked forward to with excitement, tinged perhaps with an element of dread, and looked back on with pride. In the annual interest in the list of Leading Peal Ringers (sometimes referred to irreverently as "The Crazy Gang") this is something that may be overlooked.

The "hard core" of leading peal ringers, on the other hand, would seem to number something in the neighbourhood of 150, and their names have appeared in all three comprehensive lists that have now been produced.

The ratio between men and women overall also seems to stay pretty constant, with four men to every woman; in 1966 the actual totals were 3,219 men and 742 women. But when the first pealers are considered, it seems that the picture may be gradually changing. There were 656 of them last year—440 men and 216 women, i.e. the ratio here was two to one. But at the same time the fair sex seems singularly loath to accept the responsibilities



MRS. GILLIAN M. HUNT

For the second year in succession Mrs. Gillian M. Hunt, of Bristol, has the place of honour as the leading lady peal ringer. In 1965 she gained her success with 100 peals as Miss Gillian M. Hussey. Despite the responsibilities of marriage she rang 75 peals, 18 in advance of her nearest rival. Her peal total is 290.

of conducting. Of 570 conductors in 1966 only 21 were women—and one or two of those contented themselves with ringing their bells to non-conducted peals rather than raise their voices to shout "Bob" at the menfolk!

To finish with, a few more words about those who scored their first peals during the past year. The youngest seems to have been 8-year-old Paul Jopp, of Stoulton, Worcs, and the oldest A. William Gibbons, of Bridgend, who was 73. A total of fifteen first-pealers under the age of 14 augurs well for the future.

The leading first-pealers were:

1. Martin Green ..	45
2. Keith W. Eaton ..	28
3. David Allman ..	17
4. Peter J. Church ..	13
5. Owen P. Claxton ..	11

A check was also kept of the Associations and Guilds for which these first-pealers rang their first peals and of which, presumably, they were resident members. While the results are to some extent dependent on the physical size of the Association, they do perhaps serve as a quick guide to the amount of instruction going on in each one. It is consequently hoped that the following list of all Associations, etc., who had ten or more first-pealers may be of interest.

1. Kent County, Yorkshire	40 each
3. Winchester & Portsmouth Dio.	37
4. Chester Dio., Sussex County	35 each
6. Lancashire	31
7. Oxford Diocesan	27
8. Gloucester & Bristol Dio.	24
9. Surrey	19
10. Derby, Southwell, Salisbury Dio.	18 each
13. Peterborough Diocesan	17
14. Bath and Wells Diocesan	16
15. Ely Diocesan, Suffolk	13 each
17. Leicester, Llandaff & Monmouth Diocesan	12 each
19. Coventry Dio., Essex, Hereford, Middlesex, Archdeaconry of Stafford	11 each
24. Devon, Lincoln Diocesan	10 each

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SURREY ASSOCIATION Northern District

Beddington is always a popular venue for meetings and the annual general meeting of the Northern District proved to be no exception. Some 70 members and friends attended the business meeting, at which 17 new resident ringing members were elected. The officers elected for 1967 were: Master, Mr. W. Jackson; hon. secretary, Mr. N. Steere; assistant secretary, Miss A. Mann; auditor, Mr. H. Pitstow; committee members, Messrs. D. Brookes, R. Cooles and C. Mew.

The committee's proposed programme for 1967 of 12 meetings, including a social, striking competition and four Surprise practices, was presented to the meeting.

The new look of the front page of "The Ringing World" was discussed at some length. The general secretary, Mr. W. Parrott, gave details of the type of photographs required for the front cover. On a show of hands an overwhelming majority liked the new style.

Further ringing continued on Beddington bells, when members were able to sample the fine musical qualities of Double Norwich Caters, the special method selected for the meeting.

THE REPORT

The year 1966 has been a very full one, with several new ideas being put into operation. As a direct result of discussion, which started at a Northern District committee meeting, the Association is planning its first dinner since 1955.

Pride of place for originality must go to Mr. C. F. Mew for his series of lectures held at Putney during September and October. They attracted an average attendance of 25.

Mr. John Ketteringham is teaching a band from scratch at Barnes. The District is giving assistance there on practice nights as often as possible. Instruction at two other towers continues but with only mixed success.

A new form of assistance has emerged in the form of a circulating monthly practice. Committee members take turns in raising bands to visit the weaker towers. All previous forms of instruction and assistance have worn stale with time but it is hoped that the circulating practice catches on.

We will be saying farewell to the assistant secretary, Mr. Brian Bull, during the coming year and thank him for his work in the Putney area and for the Association. We are also losing the services of the Rev. Tony Clayton.

Membership shows an increase of 19 to 224. Forty new members were elected. We lost three members by death and 18 left the district or left ringing.

PEALS BY LOCAL BANDS

There were 17 peals rung during 1966; these consisted of two Triples, eight Majors, one Caters, five Royal and one Cinques. Two new methods were rung—St. Clement's Triples and Orkney Surprise Major. Both Beddington and St. John's, Croydon, rang local band peals. One hundred and thirty-three quarter peals were rung during the year. The leading tower was Addington with 43, of which 40 were rung for Sunday service, Clapham Common and St. John's, Croydon, rang 13 each and Putney 11.

Striking Competition.—There was a record entry of nine, due in no small measure to the persuasive efforts of the committee. The previous highest total of entries in the 10-year history of the competition is six. Beddington, the only team to ring eight bells, were the winners. Only three towers managed an entry for the handbell competition.

The usual number of meetings has been held with an average attendance of 46, two more than last year. Collections for the Belfry Repair Fund amounted to £10 0s. 6d.

N. G. T. S.

ELING, HANTS.—On Jan. 29th, 1,380 Doubles (eight methods): Ronda M. Purkess 1, Gladys D. Northway 2, J. Hartless 3, T. Matcham 4, D. C. Jackson (cond.) 5, P. R. Parsons 6. First in eight methods on the bells.

Leading Peal Ringers of 1966

	Lower		Hand		Total		Lower		Hand		Total	
	Rung	Cond.	Rung	Cond.	Rung	Cond.	Rung	Cond.	Rung	Cond.	Rung	Cond.
1 George E. Thoday ..	116	50	—	—	116	50	16	1	24	—	40	1
2 Christopher T. Osenton ..	63	25	31	22	94	47	38	—	2	—	40	—
3 D. John Hunt ..	89	41½	—	—	89	41½	39	4	—	—	39	4
4 J. Alan Ainsworth ..	82	26	—	—	82	26	37	4	2	—	39	4
5 Rupert A. Clarke ..	49	4	29	5	78	9	39	1	—	—	39	1
6 D. Paul Smith ..	77	3	—	—	77	3	39	—	—	—	39	—
7 Graham C. Paul ..	56	16	19	4	75	20	98	Stanley G. Ponting ..	39	—	—	—
8 Edward Jenkins ..	75	1	—	—	75	1	98	Denis A. S. Symonds ..	39	—	—	—
9 Gillian M. Hunt ..	75	½	—	—	75	½	100	Joe E. G. Roast ..	38	24	—	38
10 Tudor P. Edwards ..	73	38	—	—	73	38	101	Cyril Crossthwaite ..	37	12	1	38
11 Robert B. Smith ..	34	7	39	28	73	35	102	Richard J. Clifton ..	38	—	—	38
12 Ian Oram ..	72	30	—	—	72	30	102	Kathleen M. Baldwin ..	15	—	23	38
13 Michael J. Fellows ..	70	15	2	2	72	17	104	Stephen Ivins ..	34	19	3	37
14 R. Kingsley Mason ..	71	36	—	—	71	36	105	Brian J. Luff ..	37	—	—	37
15 Roderick W. Pipe ..	70	34	—	—	70	34	106	Norman Sherratt ..	36	22	—	36
16 Jack L. Millhouse ..	50	31	19	15	69	46	107	George A. Dawson ..	36	16	—	36
17 Tony Lewis ..	69	17	—	—	69	17	108	Ruth Blackshaw ..	36	13	—	36
18 John C. Eisel ..	67	2	2	—	69	2	108	Roland H. Cook ..	36	10	—	36
19 Geoffrey K. Dodd ..	64	42½	—	—	64	42½	110	Thomas J. Lock ..	36	4	—	36
20 David P. Hilling ..	64	29	—	—	64	29	111	Ronald J. Snack ..	36	2	—	36
21 George E. Fearn ..	64	1	—	—	64	1	112	Martin L. Howe ..	35	1	1	36
22 Peter Border ..	61	32	—	—	63	32	113	Christopher C. Clarke ..	36	—	—	36
23 Bernard F. L. Groves ..	43	21	20	9	63	30	113	John R. Scott ..	36	—	—	36
24 Derek Butterworth ..	59	15	4	—	63	15	115	Derek J. Jones ..	35	32	—	35
25 C. Martin Press ..	61	6	—	—	61	6	116	W. Eric Critchley ..	35	19	—	35
26 Gerald Penney ..	36	19	24	9	60	28	117	Nicholas W. H. Symon ..	35	18	—	35
27 Richard J. Parker ..	38	14	21	16	59	30	118	C. Kenneth Lewis ..	23	10	12	5
28 Frederick R. Scott ..	59	1	—	—	59	1	119	Simon Humphrey ..	34	10	1	1
29 Martin D. Fellows ..	58	6	—	—	58	6	120	Robert E. J. Dennis ..	35	8	—	35
30 Geoffrey R. Parker ..	43	1	15	—	58	1	121	Basil Jones ..	35	3	—	35
31 Alan G. Payne ..	57	28	—	—	57	28	122	George T. Cousins ..	35	1½	—	35
32 J. Martin Thorley ..	57	19	—	—	57	19	123	Roger W. Smith ..	34	1	1	—
33 Judith M. Corby ..	57	3	—	—	57	3	124	Geoffrey A. Edwards ..	35	—	—	35
34 Margaret E. Fort ..	57	—	—	—	57	—	124	Rev. Roger O. Fry ..	35	—	—	35
34 Richard W. Sweet ..	57	—	—	—	57	—	126	John R. Mayne ..	18	17	16	16
36 C. Barrie Dove ..	56	50	—	—	56	50	127	Roger D. Bailey ..	34	20	—	34
37 Robert C. Kippin ..	55	18	1	—	56	18	128	Peter A. Sharp ..	28	2	6	—
38 George E. Bonham ..	56	—	—	—	56	—	129	Elisabeth A. G. Bowden ..	34	—	—	34
39 Stanley Jenner ..	55	31	—	—	55	31	129	Ralph G. Edwards ..	34	—	—	34
40 J. Keith Ward ..	55	10	—	—	55	10	129	Ann E. Fellows ..	34	—	—	34
41 Clifford A. Barron ..	55	8	—	—	55	8	129	Joan Gilbert ..	34	—	—	34
42 Samuel J. Haines ..	54	—	—	—	54	—	129	Thomas Cullingworth ..	32	—	2	—
43 Andrew J. Corby ..	52	14	1	—	53	14	134	Dennis Beresford ..	33	23	—	33
44 Philip Mehew ..	53	12	—	—	53	12	135	Dennis Latham ..	33	4	—	33
45 Norman J. Goodman ..	53	1	—	—	53	1	136	Anthony H. Smith ..	33	3	—	33
46 David E. Rothera ..	53	—	—	—	53	—	137	Raymond J. Ballard ..	33	1	—	33
47 Kenneth J. Hesketh ..	52	10	—	—	52	10	138	E. Alan Jacques ..	33	—	—	33
48 Gordon H. Lane ..	52	2	—	—	52	2	138	Arthur G. Mason ..	33	—	—	33
49 David J. Purnell ..	52	—	—	—	52	—	140	Dennis Knox ..	32	10	—	32
50 Neil Bennett ..	36	15	15	4	51	19	141	Charles E. Truman ..	32	8	—	32
51 Peter Bridle ..	51	—	—	—	51	—	142	Cecil W. Pipe ..	32	4	—	32
52 Neil Donovan ..	50	2	—	—	50	2	143	James W. Belshaw ..	32	1	—	32
53 Ann Jenner ..	50	—	—	—	50	—	143	Harold Dowler ..	32	1	—	32
54 Arthur E. Rowley ..	50	—	—	—	50	—	145	Iris M. E. Lemare ..	32	—	—	32
55 J. Barry Pickup ..	46	20	3	—	49	20	145	James Linnell ..	32	—	—	32
56 Peter G. Brown ..	49	2	—	—	49	2	145	James R. Taylor ..	32	—	—	32
57 David F. Moore ..	41	4	7	7	48	5	145	T. Felicity Webber ..	32	—	—	32
58 Joseph William Cotton ..	48	—	—	—	48	—	145	A. Maxwell Lindsey ..	28	—	4	—
58 Maryl Crossthwaite ..	48	—	—	—	48	—	145	Gerald Moorhouse ..	4	—	28	—
58 Martin Green ..	48	—	—	—	48	—	151	William L. Exton ..	29	16	2	—
61 Derek E. Sibson ..	47	4	—	—	47	4	152	Barrie Hendry ..	31	10	—	31
62 Stuart Armeson ..	47	18	—	—	47	18	152	John Worth ..	25	10	6	—
63 Joan Beresford ..	46	3	—	—	46	3	154	G. William Critchley ..	31	4	—	31
64 James L. Towler ..	46	—	—	—	46	—	154	Howard C. Palmer ..	31	4	—	31
65 Jeffrey Brannan ..	45	10	—	—	45	10	156	Philip E. Rothera ..	31	1	—	31
66 John H. Fielden ..	45	8	—	—	45	8	157	Edward W. Colley ..	31	—	—	31
67 Peter S. Muchlinski ..	45	1	—	—	45	1	157	Claudia A. Critchley ..	31	—	—	31
68 Janet E. Hubbard ..	45	—	—	—	45	—	157	John C. Slater ..	31	—	—	31
69 Cyril A. Wratten ..	34	14	10	9	44	23	157	Malcolm E. Wade ..	31	—	—	31
70 Roger Baldwin ..	21	13	23	4	44	17	157	Herbert E. Audsley ..	28	—	3	—
71 Trevor A. Cross ..	43	13	1	—	44	13	162	Leslie F. Bailey ..	30	20	—	30
72 Geoffrey W. Randall ..	44	9	—	—	44	9	163	D. Kay Adkins ..	30	19	—	30
73 Michael H. O'Callaghan ..	44	—	—	—	44	—	164	Ronald F. Diserens ..	30	9	—	30
74 Frank R. Morton ..	43	36	—	—	43	36	165	W. Leslie Weller ..	30	6	—	30
75 Philip A. Corby ..	43	19	—	—	43	19	166	Jonathan S. N. Porter ..	30	2	—	30
76 Michael Maughan ..	43	18	—	—	43	18	167	Frank Lewis ..	30	1	—	30
77 Timothy G. Pett ..	38	8	5	—	43	8	167	David S. Smith ..	30	1	—	30
78 Richard A. G. Inglis ..	41	7	2	—	43	7	169	Ronald J. Sharp ..	30	—	—	30
79 G. Ronald Edwards ..	43	—	—	—	43	—	169	John A. Anderson ..	28	—	2	—
80 H. William Barrett ..	42	9	—	—	42	9	172	Julia A. Fellows ..	20	—	10	—
81 Antony K. Fortin ..	42	2	—	—	42	2	172	Alan R. Pink ..	29	12	—	29
82 Diana M. Chapman ..	42	—	—	—	42	—	173	Gordon A. Halls ..	29	12	—	29
82 Jeffery Kershaw ..	42	—	—	—	42	—	174	Christopher H. Rogers ..	29	3	—	29
82 John R. Insley ..	39	—	3	—	42	—	174	Eric N. Harrison ..	27	3	2	—
85 Richard E. Price ..	41	11	—	—	41	11	176	Neil V. Avis ..	29	2	—	29
86 Edward R. Venn ..	41	4	—	—	41	4	176	Richard W. H. Hayes ..	29	—	—	29
87 Alan McFall ..	16	1	25	1	41	2	176	Christopher W. Woolley ..	11	1	18	1
88 Christine Andrew ..	41	—	—	—	41	—	179	Lucile M. Corby ..	29	—	—	29
88 Barry E. Saunders ..	41	—	—	—	41	—	179	Gerald Parsons ..	29	—	—	29
88 Richard S. Starkie ..	41	—	—	—	41	—	179	Frank Reed ..	29	—	—	29
91 Frank B. Lufkin ..	40	30	—	—	40	30	179	Ellis N. Thomas ..	27	—	2	—
92 A. Patrick Cannon ..	40	11	—	—	40	11	183	Anthony R. Peake ..	27	22	1	1
							184	Stephen F. Royal ..	28	15	—	—
							185	Howard Egglesstone ..	28	10	—	—
							186	John Hill ..	28	4	—	—

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Letters to the Editor

BELL WIDOWS

Dear Sir,—I have for some time wanted to write to you on behalf of those numerous readers of "The Ringing World" who are either not ringers or not any more, namely, the non-ringing wives, "Bell widows" might be a suitable name.

We are, I feel, a somewhat maligned group who, apart from an aversion to spiral staircases, things on the end of ropes that we can't see, and elusive husbands, have very little other objection to bellringing. Yet we are frequently spoken of as though engaged on some sinister campaign to undermine "the art." "Ah, she let you out tonight, then!" lugubriously intoned is a greeting that must echo round many ringing chambers, and, far from leaping to our defence, the sheepishly grinning male basks in his martyrdom!

We, on the other hand, are treated with that gentle consideration that can only, one feels, mask a guilty conscience. "Old X asked me to help him out over a ring at Puggleton next October. Couldn't let him down. You didn't want to do anything that day, did you?" And, of course, we didn't. Though one feels that a genuine campaigning wife would floor him completely at this point by producing from a secret list an unalterable engagement involving the whole family for that very date.

We are, in fact, the essence of patience and tact. We carefully peruse "The Ringing World" on its arrival in the morning post, so that we can tell him what was in it on his return in the evening. ("Sorry, dear, but when I turned round he'd eaten most of it.") We take garbled phone messages about plain young men called Bob who are always having triplets, and majors in Yorkshire who are consequently surprised, and make beautiful sense out of them. ("I told him you would be away"). We prepare sandwiches for his trips ("Cheese again?"), pore over columns of minute figures ("I tell you you said it wrong. There's a kinky bit in the middle") and offer dutiful congratulations to peal attempts ("You're home early again—how nice").

But joking apart (well of course we were), there is quite a lot to be said for those quiet afternoons and evenings when there is no one around to leave the daily papers strewn over the floor, deafen the neighbourhood with the radio and monopolise "The Ringing World."

There goes the phone—must dash off and tell them he's out—before he hears it.—Yours sincerely,

DOROTHY WAITE.

North Cheam, Surrey.

GUIDES AND SCOUTS AND RINGING

Dear Sir,—We are writing to say how much we are in wholehearted agreement with the views expressed by R. J. Vidler in your issue of January 27th. Being members of both the Guide and Scout movements and the local company of ringers we feel we can speak up for "two (or even more) hobby people."

To attain our respective ringing proficiency badges we had, amongst other things, to splice ropes, a simple example of a useful activity common to ringing and scouting.

The team spirit, concentration and friendliness one finds and indeed has to have in Guiding, Scouting and ringing is surely proof that various interests can and do help each other.—Yours sincerely,

ANGELA McBRIDE,
DAVID WRIGHT,
ROGER NEWSTEAD.

Holders of Ringer's Proficiency Badges.
Great Yarmouth.

BRISTOL SOCIETY PEALS NON-ASSOCIATION?

Dear Sir,—May I repeat my two questions to Mr. Hunt which he has so far ignored? Who are the "officers" of the Bristol Society, and is it correct to suppose all peals rung for the "Society" are non-Association?

Anyway, how can one meet what I presume are purely fictitious persons? There were certainly no "officers" of the "Society" last April and I very much doubt if there are now. Just two plain, straightforward answers, please, Mr. Hunt!

No doubt he will also be interested to read the list of Sunday service ringers in the Gloucester and Bristol report for 1966, showing that I do support Bristol ringing whenever my work permits. A glance occasionally at the quarter peal columns will also show this. Also, Filton is not in Bristol, as it is within the county boundary of Gloucestershire.—Yours sincerely,

Filton, Glos.

A. TUBB.

Note.—Peals rung under the heading of "The Bristol Society" are recorded by the Peals Analysis Committee as non-Association. Only Guilds and Associations that are members of the Central Council are recorded separately.—Ed.

PREFERS PEALS IN PRESENT FORM

Dear Sir,—I am sorry that Mr. Ainsworth has chosen to think that I was trying to denigrate the Birmingham ringers' peals. That was not my intention. I was commenting on their obvious disapproval of the present arrangements of peal reports.

The object of mentioning the four peals of Londinium in my previous letter was to question the need for prominence when in one single issue of "The Ringing World" they can consume over half a column of top-class peals. Peals of this nature are quite capable of standing out amongst the others without segregating them. As I said in my last letter, all peals are achievements for someone and should be given the same treatment (except for record peals).

It was difficult to believe that anyone could want preference for their peals but the Editor's footnote to Mr. Taylor's letter certainly implied this, whether intentionally or not, and he did ask for readers' views.

Personally, I prefer the present system of arranging peal reports by Guilds and I am sure there are others of the same opinion. There are probably many who have no preferences on this subject. So, since it is not possible to please everyone, it seems sensible to choose the way (of the two methods in question) which is most economical on space and, therefore, cost, unless there is a great demand otherwise (especially if the saving contributes to giving us more front page pictures!).—Yours faithfully,

BARRY CORBISHLEY.

Macclesfield, Cheshire.

A FANTASY

Dear Sir,—With reference to "A Fantasy" on page 93 of "The Ringing World," I understand that the P.M.G. is to bring the matter before the House during the summer recess. Meanwhile it may be of interest to note that, after a trip to Newcastle upon Tyne, a visit to the Post Office ("Tavern"), a peal of Cambridge Maximus at the Cathedral, followed by a good dinner and an after-dinner party, George is once again his old smiling self.—Yours sincerely,

OLD BILL.

CONGRATULATIONS FROM MASSACHUSETTS

Dear Sir,—It has given me considerable pleasure in recent months to follow the excellent progress of Mr. Norman Sherratt and his band in North Staffordshire as reported in the peal columns of "The Ringing World." From the days when Kidsgrove Parish Church had a pleasant ring of six bells to the present time, when what might be termed the "Kidsgrove" band is ringing peals of Glasgow Surprise Major (vide page 67), there has been a consistent record of achievement coming quietly from this part of England.

Some years ago I had the pleasure of ringing with some of the people who are now realising some of their early ambitions; it was clear to me at that time that nothing but general benefit could come from such evident enthusiasm. I know that Mr. Sherratt himself is doubly rewarded by each new triumph, since one of his most notable characteristics is the obvious joy he derives from the achievements of others.

Perhaps in the not too distant future I may once more be able to join in. In the meantime I must be content with admiration from a "safe" distance.—Sincerely yours,

GEOFFREY DAVIES.

Watertown, Massachusetts, U.S.A.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Rochester District

The first quarterly meeting for the year 1967 of the Rochester District was held at St. George's Church, Gravesend, on January 21st, which was attended by over 80 ringers and friends. The ringers' service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. M. P. Beck), who extended a warm welcome to the Association and gave an inspiring address. Tea in St. John's Church Hall was kindly given by the ringers and friends of St. George's Church.

At the business meeting the Rector was elected chairman. A report on the November committee meeting was given by a District representative, and other matters discussed were the one-day ringing school and the Easter Monday annual general meeting.

Mr. L. Mitchell thanked all who had helped with the Christmas draw in aid of the Newington Tower Fund, which raised £45. Fifteen new members were elected to the Kent County Association. An omnibus vote of thanks to all who had helped with the meeting was proposed by Mr. F. J. Cheal, and further ringing continued under the direction of the District Ringing Master (Miss Joan Hayward). F.C.

10.080 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

By Alan S. BURBIDGE

23456 W 5ths M H

34256 2

54236 S * 3

32546 — 3† S

Repeat 11 times.

Insert S at * in all parts except 1st and 7th. Omit bobs † in 1st, 7th and 10th parts. Contains extent with each of 4, 5, 6 in 6ths place, tenors together. No 82's, no 83's. Rung at Sacred Trinity Church, Salford, on February 4th, 1967, conducted by composer.

BROMLEY, KENT.—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Rachel Mollay-Morley (first quarter) 1, Sheila Coppington (cond.) 2, Rosemary Gates (first "inside") 3, F. Gates 4, P. J. Spice 5, M. G. Foster 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mrs. Gates, mother of the ringer of fourth.

BELL ROPES

JOHN NICOLL

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Hallowing of Drayton Bells

THE six bells at Drayton, near Norwich, were hallowed on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 5th. The church was packed from corner to corner, with many people standing, and there was an atmosphere of triumph and joy such as many a parish might envy. This village, once small, is expanding with the coming to it of more and more Norwich people, and the church is obviously abreast of events there.

The church, whose origins are Norman, has long had three bells. Michael Frost and his enthusiastic friends have been agitating for some time for a proper ring, and they were determined to obtain one by whatever means ingenuity might discover. "Do it yourself" was the idea, so far as possible, and the new metal bell frame was largely supplied and installed by generous co-operation from local builders and engineers.

Of the original bells, the tenor (weighing 6 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb., cast by Braser of Norwich in the 15th century and inscribed "Dulcis Sisto Melis @ Campana Vocor Michis.") has been retained as the tenor of the new ring, the old 1 and 2 (by Brend, 1660, and Tooke, 1676) are recast as the new 4 and 5, whilst the three trebles are cast of metal from the treble, 3rd, 4th and tenor of Wood Dalling (formerly by Newman, 1697, Newman, 1707, Draper, 1620, and Neman, 1701).

The work has been excellently done by the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, and the new bells "marry" well with the ancient tenor, which has been tuned.

The service was shared by the Rector (the Rev. Humphrey Squire), Mr. G. Wood, the lay reader, and the new tower captain, Michael Frost, read the lesson. The president of the Central Council hallowed the bells and preached. Immediately after the words of hallowing and the handing of a rope and the responsibility thus symbolised to the Rector, the bells were rung by six of the local band—Michael Frost 1, Mrs. Margaret Holloway 2, D. Lloyd 3, Margaret Bunting 4, Mrs. Ella Frost 5, Bob Walker tenor.

THE CHURCH ALIVE

In his address Canon Thurlow said: "For 800 years and more there has been a church here, and never has it seen a more triumphant day than this. It has three particular implications—the Church is alive, the Church has a message to proclaim, the Church is a family united in service."

No such work as this, involving so much goodwill, generosity, imagination, courage, co-operation between so many people, could be faced were the Church not alive. We are told the Church is dying. Of course there are more ignorant of Christianity than in the past because the Church has been pushed out of one sphere after another where it has pioneered. But the Church is far more alive than one would expect from the spirit of our people.

In an England where the spirit of paganism is so obvious, the fact that there are so many Christians seems marvellous. Oh yes, anti-Christ is strong! The agnostics and atheists shout loudly, but despite these things—perhaps because of them—the Church is alive! There's more self-criticism, more planning for future difficulties, less self-satisfaction, more courage among Church folk than for a very long time. The Church in Drayton is alive.

The Church has a message to proclaim. This is what ringers do! The one fact which proclaims the Church's existence most dearly to the neighbourhood is the call of the bells. Their ringing is an inescapable challenge to all.

The Church is a family united in service. One sometimes hears of ringers who are not members of the Church family. What a reflection on that branch of the Church family! How miserable to have a congregation whose members have not enough of the spirit of service to raise a band of ringers amongst them! It is indeed right and proper that the new band of ringers at Drayton should be first and foremost members of the Church family, who add this way of service to the other ways of service they already give."

TRAINED IN NORWICH

Whilst the work has been in progress during the last few months, these and other enthusiasts in the church congregation have been learning to ring at St. George's, Colegate, under the kindly tuition of David Cubitt and the band there. These bells were made a nice light six by Gilbert Thurlow several years ago to serve as a "teaching tower" for Norwich.

Amongst the large congregation were between 70 and 80 ringers—a goodly number for a Sunday afternoon—from Norwich, Bunwell, Wymondham, Great Yarmouth, Keymer (Sussex), New Buckenham, Thetford, Honingham, Ipswich, Aylsham, Wroxham, Barking (Suffolk), Ruskington (Lincs), Beccles, East Dereham, King's Lynn, Gaywood, Blofield, Caston and Loddon.

A splendid running buffet tea, kindly provided by ladies of the parish, and ringing up till Evensong completed an outstanding day in the life of Drayton parish. G. T.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

Visitors from Bath, London, Long Sutton, Wiveliscombe, Wells and Yatton were welcomed at the annual general meeting of the Axbridge Branch held at St. Andrew's Church, Banwell, on January 28th. The Vicar (the Rev. J. Bromwich) conducted the service and, at the meeting which followed, the officers for 1967 elected were: Chairman, J. Walton; Ringing Master, H. Hopper; secretary, Miss M. Legg.

Two new members were elected from Winscombe, two from Banwell and nine from Churchill. The Branch is nominating John Gilbert as general secretary of the Association.

Subject to permission, the next meeting will be at Compton Bishop (April) with practices at Congresbury (February) and Weare (March).

MR. WILLIAM FAIRES

It is with great regret that we report from Lavenham, Suffolk, the death on January 29th of another of the local band, Mr. W. Faires, at the age of 78 years. He learned to ring at this tower in 1907. This makes four Lavenham ringers to pass on within 12 months.

Bill, as he was known to all ringers, rang his first peal (Grandsire Triples) in January, 1909, and rang regularly in this tower until a few months ago. At the burial service at Lavenham Church on February 2nd the company were represented by Messrs. M. T. Symonds, F. Turner, J. Johnson, C. Curtis, F. Hunt, A. Knight and H. Pryke.

In the evening touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Plain Bob were rung with the bells half-muffled.

COMPTON DANDO, SOMERSET.—On Feb. 5th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: F. C. Mogford (cond.) 1, Mrs. A. J. Frith 2, R. W. Treasure 3, C. Allward 4, L. B. Coles 5, L. Batten 6. Rung half-muffled in respected memory of Preb. Frederick Cresswell, late Vicar, died January 27th.

OBITUARY

MR. F. J. COPE

Mrs. E. Mason sends us news of the death in a Guernsey hospital of Mr. Frederick James Cope, aged 60, the elder son of the late Mr. F. E. Cope, of Lichfield, Staffs. His ashes were scattered at Bisleigh, Surrey, where he won many cups for shooting.

The Copes were a very old family of ringers unique in their faithful and clever work with bells—both tower- and handbells. The late Mr. F. J. Cope was a bellringer at St. Mary's, Lichfield, and also at the Cathedral. Writing of his father, Mrs. Mason states: "He would walk a mile and back probably four times on a Sunday to ring at the Cathedral and St. Mary's. He had a broad, measured stride which didn't seem to vary or tire, and going to and from church and cathedral his face always wore the look of one with a solemn, serious mission from which nothing sort of an 'earthquake' could have deterred him. Also, he was a man with an old-world sense of courtesy to all men."

MR. W. D. PEART

With great regret we record the passing of Mr. David William Peart in his 85th year, on February 1st.

Mr. Peart ("Bill") commenced his ringing career at All Saints' Church, West Bromwich, at the end of the last century. He first rang as a competent ringer in 1898, when a new organ was dedicated. His first peal was rung in 1902 and his last in 1954. He was not a prolific peal ringer but he had stood in 20 peals in his own tower in this period. He was a remarkably regular attender both for service ringing and at practices; even up to the last few months prior to his retirement from the belfry due to ill-health.

For many years he was secretary to the belfry and regularly attended Society meetings as a representative of the tower. For more than 50 years he was a member of the choir, in which service he was equally assiduous, as he was in numerous other church activities. He loved his church, he loved the bells and he will be greatly missed.

A quarter peal of Grandsire Triples, with the bells half-muffled, was rung by his fellow ringers on the evening of the funeral as a token of respect to him and to express the ringers' sympathy to his widow. J. R. C.

MR. RALPH BEARD

With the passing of Mr. Ralph Beard, at the age of 85, on January 31st, the band at St. Mary Cray and the Kent County Association have lost a very faithful and well-loved member. He first began ringing at St. Mary Cray before the turn of the century. After his marriage, when he lived away from St. Mary Cray, there was a long gap before he came back to ringing after the death of his wife, about 12 years ago. One of the most faithful members of the band, he was not even daunted at having to learn new methods to enable him to keep up with the rest of the band.

Beside his bellringing, for which he thought nothing of walking two miles each way, often in inclement weather, even after he had reached his 80th birthday, he had a great love for his church and he will be sadly missed from his accustomed place each Sunday. He also took great pride in his care of the churchyard, which work he continued until his 83rd year.

In his earlier years he held various jobs locally, including that of verger at the Parish Church, and in his later years he worked for a local paper mill. Our sympathy is extended to his daughter and her husband.

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COMPOSITIONS

7,560 CAMBRIDGE S. ROYAL

By RODERICK W. PIPE (No. 6)

23456	2½	M	W	6½	H
42536	S	—	—	—	2S
34526	—	—	—	—	2S
23546	—	—	—	—	—
42356	S	—	—	—	—
52346	—	—	S	—	—
34265	—	S	S	—	—
32564	—	—	—	S	S
32654	S	—	—	—	S
35264	—	—	—	—	—
25463	—	—	—	—	2S
45362	—	—	—	—	2S
42365	—	—	S	—	2
62345	—	—	—	S	2S
23456	S	S	—	—	2

The main purpose of this composition is to provide the basis for a large number of 5,040's containing a variety of popular musical qualities. The 5,040's are produced by omitting an appropriate number of the round blocks (e.g. 2 singles at Home, 3 bobs at Middle) which abound in this composition.

The choice is further increased by the fact that singles at 4½, which produce 87's, may be inserted in any of the courses, thus making available for selection a total of 42 courses, all of which are true with one another.

The following options are also available:

(i)	34256	2½	M	6½	H
	32654	—	—	S	S
	36254	2S	—	—	S
	23456	—	3	S	—

This block makes it possible to obtain all 24 56 roll-ups.

This may only be used provided that the whole block between and including the two singles at 6½ in the original peal is omitted, except in the case that one of the blocks is rung with 87's throughout, and the other with 78's throughout.

(ii)	42365	2½	M	W	H
	32564	—	—	—	2S
	62345	2S	2	S	2S

This block makes it possible to obtain 13 combination courses with 7890 fixed.

As before, this is only permissible with the same restrictions as for (i). (i) and (ii) may not be used together in a peal.

The following three peals are given as examples:

LEADING PEAL RINGERS 1966

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		Tower	Hand	Total					
		Rung	Cond.	Rung	Cond.	Rung	Cond.	Rung	Cond.
186	Neil D. Lomas	28	4	—	—	28	4	—	—
188	Robin R. Churchill	28	3	—	—	28	3	—	—
189	Derek J. Jones	28	2	—	—	28	2	—	—
190	David Nichols	28	1	—	—	28	1	—	—
191	Alan E. Bagworth	28	—	—	—	28	—	—	—
191	Doris Colgate	28	—	—	—	28	—	—	—
191	Ronald H. Dove	28	—	—	—	28	—	—	—
191	Keith W. Eaton	28	—	—	—	28	—	—	—
191	Ian R. Pantan	28	—	—	—	28	—	—	—
191	Brian Bladen	26	—	—	—	26	—	—	—
197	Walter Ayre	26	16	2	1	27	17	—	—
198	J. Henry Fielden	27	14	—	—	27	14	—	—
199	David Oliver	27	8	—	—	27	8	—	—
200	Margaret E. Chilton	27	5	—	—	27	5	—	—
201	W. Arthur Riddington	27	3	—	—	27	3	—	—
202	Frank E. Darby	27	2	—	—	27	2	—	—
202	Peter C. Randall	27	2	—	—	27	2	—	—
204	Donald F. Murfet	27	1	—	—	27	1	—	—
204	Robert W. Sherriff	27	1	—	—	27	1	—	—
206	Susan Jackson	27	—	—	—	27	—	—	—
206	Peter G. Pitt	27	—	—	—	27	—	—	—
206	Edward J. Beer	—	—	27	—	27	—	—	—
209	Michael W. Coleman	26	18	—	—	26	18	—	—
209	Wilfrid F. Moreton	26	18	—	—	26	18	—	—
211	Brian J. Woodruffe	20	12	6	5	26	17	—	—

23456	2½	M	W	6½	H
23546	S	—	—	—	3
42356	S	—	—	—	—
52346	—	—	S	—	—
34265	—	S	S	—	—
35264	—	—	—	S	—
42365	—	3	—	S	2
62345	—	—	S	—	—
23456	S	S	—	—	2

Contains 21 56's and 21 65's; 6th 13 courses in 5-6.

23456	2½	M	4½	W	6½	H
42356	2S	—	—	—	—	—
52346	—	—	—	S	—	—
34265	—	S	—	S	—	—
3426587	—	—	S	—	—	—
3256478	—	—	—	S	S	—
35264	2S	—	—	—	S	S
42365	—	—	—	—	S	2
62345	—	—	—	S	—	2S
23456	S	—	—	S	—	2

13 combination courses.

23456	2½	M	W	6½	H
23546	S	—	—	—	3
42356	S	—	—	—	—
52346	—	—	S	—	—
42365	—	S	S	—	3
62345	—	—	S	—	—
34256	—	S	S	—	—
36254	—	—	—	S	—
23456	—	3	—	S	—

Peals can also be constructed to include the following properties:

6th 9 courses home and 24 56 roll-ups; 24 6587's and 3 56 courses; 3 courses each of 56, 65, 5687, 6587; 21 56's, 21 6587's; 9 courses of 87's with the 6th in 5ths place and 5 56 courses; 24 56's and 24 6587's (7,200 changes).

A WORSHIPFUL MASTER

Bio. F. Barraclough, of Eccles, Lancs, was installed as Worshipful Master of the Bridgewater Lodge, No. 1213, on February 9th. He is one of our one-armed ringers, having lost his right arm and shoulder in 1940. We wish him good health and a happy year of office.

HIGHCLERE BAND'S PROGRESS

The peal of Plain Bob Minor rung at East Woodhay, Hants, was by the Highclere band, this being the first peal ever rung by an all-Highclere team.

As Highclere has an eight-bell tower it was decided to ring the peal at a neighbouring six-bell tower, and the slow-moving six at East Woodhay proved admirable. In the team was one 12-year-old and three 15-year-olds. It is now hoped that two more of the band will be sufficiently advanced to attempt Triples this year.

G. D.

5,003 GRANDSIRE CATERS

(No. 6)

By EDGAR C. SHEPHERD

23456789		34265978	
42356978	1.4	53462879	1.3
34256	9-3	45362	8-3
		34562	8-3
63452	9-3s		
46352	9-3	54263	98
34652	9-3	25463	8-3
		42563	8-3
64253	89		
26453	9-3	52364	98
42653	9-3		
		32465	98
62354	89	43265	8-3
36254	9-3		
		54362	8-3s
43652	9-3s	35462	8-3
64352	9-3		
36452	9-3	45263	98
46253	89	25364	98
		32564	8-3
26354	89	53264	8-3
32654	9-3		
63254	9-3	23465	98
		42365	8-3
45362	8-2	34265	8-3
34562	9-3		
54263	89		
25463	9-3		
42563	9-3		
52364	89		
32465	89		
43265	9-3		
54362	9-3s		
35462	9-3		
45263	89		
25364	89		
32564	9-3		
53264	9-3		
23465	89		
42365	9-3		
34265	9-3		

First rung at Guildford Cathedral on January 28th, 1967.

This is an ingenious composition. Either the 6 or 5 is in 5ths place throughout the peal and the bells in 6ths place are in the order 2, 3, 4 in the first third of the peal and 2, 3, 4, 5 in the last two-thirds of the peal. It produces the best Tittums music using short courses throughout.

D. A. R. MAY.

NEW RECORD PEAL

Mr. Anthony R. Peake's band created another record in Spliced Surprise Major on Saturday, February 11th with a peal in 165 methods. The peal was rung at Longney, Glos. There was an attempt on the previous Saturday at Stratton St. Margaret, which came to grief after 75 minutes.

RODMERSHAM, KENT.—On Jan. 14th, 1,260 Single Oxford Bob Minor: A. P. S. Berry 1, Sylvia Knight 2, Rachel J. Sinden 3, H. Deacon 4, E. Clifton 5, B. Johnson (cond.) 6.

		Tower	Hand	Total					
		Rung	Cond.	Rung	Cond.	Rung	Cond.	Rung	Cond.
212	B. Stedman Payne	21	2	5	4	26	6	—	—
213	Ralph Bird	26	3	—	—	26	3	—	—
213	John A. Howard	26	3	—	—	26	3	—	—
213	Roy Worrall	26	3	—	—	26	3	—	—
216	Frank C. J. Arnold	26	1	—	—	26	1	—	—
217	Stephen D. Humphrey	26	—	—	—	26	—	—	—
217	Maurice G. Ingram	26	—	—	—	26	—	—	—
217	Andrew N. Stubbs	26	—	—	—	26	—	—	—
220	Frederick J. Cullum	25	7	—	—	25	7	—	—
220	Denis McCormick	25	7	—	—	25	7	—	—
222	Noel J. Diserens	25	6	—	—	25	6	—	—
222	Antony R. Kench	25	6	—	—	25	6	—	—
224	Arthur C. Berry	25	4	—	—	25	4	—	—
224	Victor Griffin	25	4	—	—	25	4	—	—
224	David J. Llewellyn	25	4	—	—	25	4	—	—
227	Alan J. Frost	25	3	—	—	25	3	—	—
228	Derek S. Beaufoy	25	1	—	—	25	1	—	—
228	Robin Brown	25	1	—	—	25	1	—	—
230	Sydney M. Bailey	25	—	—	—	25	—	—	—
230	Peter J. Heritage	25	—	—	—	25	—	—	—
230	F. William Midwinter	25	—	—	—	25	—	—	—
230	Reginald W. Rex	25	—	—	—	25	—	—	—
230	William A. Theobald	25	—	—	—	25	—	—	—
230	Stuart Sandford	24	—	1	—	25	—	—	—

LONG LENGTH

DENTON, Lincs.—On Feb. 2nd, 2,400 Doubles (ten methods): V. P. Evans 1, F. W. Pinchbeck 2, P. A. Slight 3, R. W. Morant 4, D. A. Frith (cond.) 5, T. A. Relf 6. To mark the retirement of the Vicar, Canon E. R. Barraclough.

ABINGDON, BERKS.—On Feb. 6th, 1,257 Stedman Doubles (all extents different): A. K. P. Poole 1, Heather A. Alford 2, L. P. Halling 3, Barbara F. Banks 4, C. I. Rowson (cond.) 5, C. A. Alford 6. Rung in memoriam "Scamp."

ADDINGTON, Surrey.—On Feb. 5th, 1,260 Spliced Minor (Double Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob): C. Jeffrey 1, Wendy Wallace 2, E. G. H. Godfrey 3, R. Rayfield 4, Carol Cousins (cond.) 5, C. H. Macve 6. Rung for Matins.

ASHBRITTE, SOMERSET.—On Jan. 28th 1,260 Grandire Doubles: Miss R. Rhodes (first quarter) 1, Mrs. E. A. North 2, S. Bristow 3, P. Smith (first "inside") 4, A. J. Alderman (first as cond.) 5, H. Bristow 6.

BANWELL, SOMERSET.—On Feb. 10th, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: E. C. Wadman 1, E. Naylor (cond.) 2, A. P. Beck 3, P. Jones 4, H. D. Mackay 5, G. Salmon 6, R. G. Beck 7, E. J. Chivers 8. Rung as an expression of gratitude for the safe arrival and welcome to twins born to the ringer of 4th, Phillip Jones, and his wife Mary.

BLACKMOOR, HANTS.—On Feb. 7th, 1,260 Doubles (seven methods): R. Tipper 1, A. Reeves 2, K. Sansom (cond.) 3, R. Tipper 4, B. Walton 5, D. Hatherley 6. First of Doubles in seven methods for all the band.

CHISLEHURST, Kent.—At the Church of St. Nicholas, on Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Grandire Triples: T. Lewis 1, Miss F. J. H. Oakshett 2, P. G. Braund (first of Triples) 3, P. J. Spice 4, M. H. O'Callaghan 5, M. F. Oakshett 6, I. H. Oram (cond.) 7, F. J. C. Mounce 8. Rung prior to the induction of the Rev. S. H. Adams, M.A., as Rector of this parish. Also on Feb. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Miss F. J. H. Oakshett 1, I. H. Oram (cond.) 2, P. G. Braund 3, P. J. Spice 4, M. F. Oakshett 5, M. H. O'Callaghan 6, T. Lewis 7, F. J. C. Mounce 8. First of Bob Triples for all except the seventh. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Henry Draper, ringer and steeplekeeper at this church for many years.

CRANFORD, MIDD.—On Feb. 5th, 1,280 Plain Bob Minor: Moya Britchford (first in method) 1, J. Britchford 2, Josephine Pole 3, P. Woodgyer 4, D. Powles 5, C. Stevenson (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

DROGHEDA, CO. LOUTH, EIRE.—On Jan. 8th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandire and Plain Bob): G. T. Brew (first quarter) 1, Helen M. Hubert 2, C. J. Reede 3, F. E. Dukes (cond.) 4, D. H. T. Taylor 5, L. Taylor (first quarter) 6. In honour of Canada's centennial year. *Correction.*

ELTHAM, Kent.—On Jan. 8th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: T. Culver 1, Mrs. C. Sims 2, P. Clarke 3, K. Small 4, J. Sims 5, R. Clarke (cond.) 6, G. Clarke 7, F. Hurrell 8. For Evensong, and a farewell to the conductor on leaving to 'take an appointment in Toronto, Canada.

EMBLETON, WEST AUSTRALIA.—On Feb. 7th, at 9, Grant Street, 1,260 Grandire Triples: Eileen S. Palin 1—2, W. S. Palin (cond.) 3—4, A. R. Mann 5—6, Heather A. Mann 7—8. In memoriam Cecil Evans, tower master, Aldenham Parish Church, and member of Hertford County Association for over 50 years.

GREAT YARMOUTH, NORFOLK.—On Ash Wednesday, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. J. Moy 1, Angela McBride 2, F. J. Stimson 3, P. G. W. Newstead 4, A. G. Wignmore 5, G. W. Fletcher 6, Rev. P. N. Bond (cond.) 7, W. B. Duncan 8. First in method 2 and 4, and as conductor. For evening Communion, and as a welcome to Rev. Peter N. Bond.

HEADCORN, Kent.—On Feb. 7th, 1,260 Grandire Doubles: S. Posnett 1, Miss R. J. Vidler 2, H. Baker 3, Miss F. M. Tomlin 4, G. Grant (cond.) 5, R. Millidine 6. First quarter 1 and 6. A birthday compliment to Mrs. H. Vidler, mother of ringer of 2.

BETHERSDEN, Kent.—On Feb. 10th, 1,260 Bob Doubles: Sue Richards (first quarter) 1, Violet Relf 2, J. E. Spree 3, W. W. Ring (cond.) 4, G. Stewart 5.

HUTTON, ESSEX.—On Jan. 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Janet Ingram 1, P. C. Mayhew 2, C. E. Hill 3, W. T. Hill (cond.) 4, R. G. Jones 5. On the occasion of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Walllett's silver wedding anniversary. Also on Feb. 11th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): P. Mayhew 1, C. E. Hill 2, J. J. Walllett 3, W. T. Hill 4, R. G. Jones (cond.) 5. On the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the Guild's formation.

QUARTER PEALS

KINGSTON UPON THAMES, Surrey.—On Dec. 4th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss L. Hawes (first quarter) 1, Miss A. Salvage (first quarter) 2, M. Green 3, B. Stone (cond.) 4, D. Wilkins 5, P. Selwood (first quarter) 6. For Evensong. Also on Jan. 29th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Grandire): Miss B. Moorthy 1, D. Wilkins 2, M. Green 3, B. Stone (cond.) 4, W. Jackson 5, P. Walker (first quarter) 6. First of mixed Doubles by all the band. A birthday compliment to the daughter of D. Wilkins, and to congratulate W. Jackson on the birth of a second son on January 24th, 1967.

KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX.—On Feb. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. McArthur 1, T. Beech 2, E. B. Smith 3, Gillian Wilney 4, B. Bradbeer (first as cond.) 5, U. Widdley 6.

LYDD, Kent.—On Feb. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Rachel J. Sinden 1, A. Bourner 2, Pamela A. Court 3, Dilys M. Eastmead 4, A. P. S. Berry 5, A. C. Eastmead 6, B. Johnson (cond.) 7, P. C. Sinden 8. First in the method 3, 4, 6.

LYMPNE, Kent.—On Feb. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Elizabeth Todd 1, B. Watts 2, R. P. Brotherton 3, G. Neilson (cond.) 4, R. Birch 5. For Family Communion.

PUTNEY, LONDON.—On Jan. 29th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Alison Mann 1, J. Pratchett 2, A. Millidge 3, N. Waite 4, B. Bull 5, C. Mew (cond.) 6, S. Humphrey 7, D. Brookes 8. For Evensong, and as a compliment to Margaret Fort and Ian Oram, on their engagement.

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.—On Jan. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: P. Bedford 1, Mrs. J. Hallett 2, Mrs. S. Bedford 3, F. May 4, T. Sharpe 5, D. Belcham 6, M. Hallett (cond.) 7, W. Ward 8. For Evensong. Also on Jan. 15th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss A. Willard (first of Stedman) 1, Mrs. J. Hallett 2, P. Bedford 3, F. May 4, T. Sharpe 5, J. Laken 6, M. Hallett (cond.) 7, G. Eve 8. For Evensong.

RUARDEAN, GLOS.—On Feb. 4th, 1,260 Grandire Triples: Ann Butcher 1, A. T. Poulton 2, F. Oakley 3, F. E. J. Reynolds 4, K. Tyler 5, R. A. Brewer 6, J. J. Webb (cond.) 7, H. Meek 8. A birthday compliment to the tenor ringer.

RUCKINGE, Kent.—On Dec. 28th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): E. Clifton 1, Sylvia Knight 2, H. Deacon 3, N. J. Davies 4, B. Johnson (cond.) 5.

SMARDEN, Kent.—On Dec. 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Monica Phillips 1, Sylvia Knight 2, A. Bourner 3, H. Deacon 4, E. Clifton 5, B. Johnson (cond.) 6. The old year "rung out" fully muffled. Also on Jan. 22nd, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Margaret Barton (first quarter) 1, Sylvia Knight 2, A. Bourner 3, E. Clifton 4, B. Johnson (cond.) 5, Monica Phillips 6. For Evensong. Also on Jan. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Margaret Barton 1, Monica Phillips 2, Sylvia Knight 3, E. Clifton 4, B. Johnson (cond.) 5, A. Bourner 6. For Evensong.

SELLINDGE, Kent.—On Dec. 28th, 1,272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: E. Clifton 1, Sylvia Knight 2, Rachel J. Sinden 3, A. P. S. Berry 4, H. Deacon 5, B. Johnson (cond.) 6.

SOUTHAMPTON.—At the Church of St. Mary, on Jan. 22nd, 1,260 Grandire Triples: G. Harper 1, Joy Butler 2, Diane Hickman 3, B. V. Butler 4, A. Jackson 5, C. J. Butler (first as cond.) 6, M. J. Butler 7, J. Pitfield 6. First of Triples 1, 3 and 5.

SOUTHGATE, N.—At Christ Church, on Jan. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: S. G. Peck 1, R. Amos 2, W. Gates (first quarter "inside") 3, W. Wainwright 4, L. Gates 5, J. Weaver (cond.) 6. A farewell to Rev. A. Wiggins, moving to Wiltshire, and a wedding compliment to Alan Spreadbury and Sheila Chinnery, who were married at St. Michael's, Wood Green, the previous day.

SWINDON, Wilts.—At St. Mark's Church, on Feb. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Pearce 1, Miss M. Richards 2, T. R. Collins 3, C. Richards 4, M. A. New 5, M. J. Stanley (cond.) 6. To mark the birth of Pauline Collins, granddaughter of the ringer of 3rd.

THROWLEY, Kent.—On Jan. 27th, 1,344 Plain Bob Triples: Rachel J. Sinden 1, Brenda Davies 2, A. Bourner 3, N. J. Davies 4, A. P. S. Berry 5, D. Manager 6, B. Johnson (cond.) 7, E. Clifton 8. An engagement compliment to Rachel and Alan.

STOKE BISHOP, BRISTOL.—On Jan. 29th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Miss A. Brown 1, Mrs. J. Gray 2, Miss E. Brocklehurst 3, J. Rose 4, S. Bendle 5, P. Gray (cond.) 6. First of Surprise for 1, 4 and 5. Also on Feb. 5th, 1,260 Grandire Doubles: Miss A. Brown 1, K. Bellow 2, D. Fulford 3, J. Rose 4, P. Gray (cond.) 5, S. Bendle 6. First "inside" for 2 and 3. Both quarters for Evensong.

SOLIHULL, WARWICKS.—On Feb. 11th, 1,259 Grandire Caters: W. H. Leeson 1, Muriel Reay 2, Verona Naylor 3, Pamela M. Turner 4, R. J. Cann 5, E. J. Cole 6, T. J. Warner (cond.) 7, H. H. Fearn 8, P. D. Warren 9, A. Crabtree 10. For Confirmation service.

SPROTBOROUGH, Yorks.—On Feb. 5th, 1,280 Bristol Surprise Major: E. Short 1, G. Jackson 2, Anne P. Leigh 3, H. Scott 4, W. E. Critchley (cond.) 5, E. Cooper 6, E. Dalingwater 7, R. E. Price 8. For Sunday service.

STRATFORD-UPON-AVON, WARWICKS.—On Feb. 5th, 1,260 Grandire Triples: D. R. Bates (first quarter) 1, R. C. Chapman 2, A. J. Print 3, Jill Riley 4, A. G. Foster 5, P. S. Bennett (cond.) 6, C. R. Steed 7, D. White 8. For Evensong.

WARNHAM, SUSSEX.—On Feb. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Miss J. Turner (first on eight bells) 1, Miss C. Etherton (first on eight bells "inside") 2, M. Turner 3, Miss I. Gocher 4, P. Miles 5, D. D. Smith 6, G. Francis (cond.) 7, N. Carter 8.

WESTHAM, SUSSEX.—On Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss V. Murray (first quarter) 1, Susan Harrison 2, Christine Baldock 3, L. Tapp 4, A. Baldock (cond.) 5, J. Evans 6. Rung to mark the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

WEST MEON, HANTS.—On Feb. 4th, 1,260 Grandire Triples: Maureen White 1, Julia Piggett 2, Lesley Read 3, Margaret Chennell-White 4, K. Tipper 5, Mary White 6, C. Chennell-White (first as cond.) 7, R. Stone 8.

WEST WICKHAM, Kent.—On Feb. 5th, 1,260 Bob Minor: R. A. Grant (first quarter) 1, A. S. Richards 2, S. Gay 3, A. H. Long (first in method) 4, M. Gay (first as cond.) 5, J. E. Cannell 6.

WINCHESTER, HANTS.—At St. Mary's College Chapel, on Feb. 12th, 1,260 Doubles (seven methods): J. F. Butler 1, A. J. Pawson (first quarter) 2, A. J. Mason 3, B. R. M. Johnson (cond.) 4, R. L. Underwood 5, S. M. Jack (first quarter) 6. First away from cover 1. First in seven methods 1 and 3, and on the bells. First by men in the school only for two years.

BELFRY GOSSIP

Mr. R. Clarke, of Eltham, conducted his farewell quarter on January 8th. He has accepted an appointment in Toronto, Canada.

Mr. Russell Young, of Grotton, is coming to England this summer. He hopes to make his headquarters at Hereford.

To mark their arrival in Perth, Western Australia, Arthur R. Mann and Heather A. Mann with Eileen S. Palin rang a handbell touch of 540 Plain Bob Minor at 9, Grant Street, Morley, W.A.

Stowmarket, Suffolk, bells were returned on February 6th after eight months' absence for recasting or tuning at Messrs. John Taylor and Co.'s foundry, Loughborough. The seventh bell, dated 1672, has been recast.

After a recent attempt at Woburn, conducted by A. P. Cannon, a long-sleeved pull-over was left behind in the belfry. If the owner gets in touch with Mr. J. G. Spavins, 44, George Street, Woburn, Beds, he will return it.

The Editor thanks the lady who posted a Valentine to him from Wisbech, Cambs.

Mr. Joseph W. Cotton, secretary of the Midland Counties Guild, rang his 1,100th peal on January 24th.

Mr. Tom Goodyer, of Sydney, is planning an overseas trip in 1968. The only fixture to date is the Central Actuarial Convention in Munich from June 4th to 11th.

A quarter peal handbell tribute to the late Mr. Cecil Evans, tower master at Aldenham Parish Church, was rung in Western Australia. One of the ringers was Mrs. Heather A. Mann, who was taught to ring by the deceased ringer.

Those who took part in the peal of Havant Surprise Major at St. Cuthbert's, Wells, on February 4th, would like to associate with it the name of Eric Naylor, who was to have been the conductor. Eric had to withdraw on the Saturday morning because of his wife's illness and Percy H. Hull stood in at very short notice.

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POMMIES TAKE OVER THE SHOW AT PERTH

According to "The Sunday Times," Perth, Western Australia, there are so many Pommies in St. George's Cathedral belfry that they have taken over the show. And Laith Reynolds, the captain, agrees, for half of his 20-strong ringing force are from England. When the English bellringers were in Perth in September, 1965, Tom Lock and A. Patrick Cannon told the authorities that the bells should be hung lower in the tower to as to reduce oscillation. They also recommended recasting into a ring of ten and new bearings. Ringing on that occasion was limited to two quarters—it was felt that a peal could not be attempted.

We now learn that a public appeal has been launched for \$15,000 (£7,500). If the appeal is successful the bells will be shipped to Loughborough and recast into a ring of ten with a tenor about 15 cwt in D against a tenor of 22 cwt in E flat. The scheme is to hang the bells 12 feet lower in two tiers—six on the bottom and four above. This will reduce the strain on the tower.

MR. F. C. MOGFORD RINGING AGAIN

Mr. F. C. Mogford, of Pensford, Bristol, is ringing again, and on February 5th he rang his first quarter since his most unfortunate accident last September, when he broke both legs. As it was, he had to ring sitting on a stool, as the plaster was only taken off on February 1st, and he cannot yet bend one leg. Compton Dando, where he rang, has a ground-floor ring and, for the time being, his ringing will be limited to such towers, as he cannot yet climb stairs.

Through "The Ringing World" Mr. Mogford desires to thank all ringers who came to see him while he was in hospital.

LONG WEDDING PEAL

If the length of the peal was the extent of the affection of the band, then the 10,080 Plain Bob Major rung by the Manchester University Guild at the Church of the Sacred Trinity, Salford, on February 4th, indicates that Dr. David Baker and Miss Norma Coom are exceedingly popular with the Guild. The peal lasted 5 hours and 23 minutes and was the longest for the Guild and for all the band. The happy couple were married earlier in the day and it is probable that they have been honoured by the longest wedding peal on record.

BANKRUPTCY IN IDEAS

There was once a peal-ringing band Where a "first" in a method was planned. When success duly came They were beat for a name Until the conductor called "Stand"

If you do not believe it, see Surprise Methods, C.C.C. 1964, No. 201.—D.B.

A LIMERICK IN SIX-SPICED

A ringer renowned for his yells Was quite handy with "spiced" on six bells Surfleet and Beverley He joined up quite cleverly With London, York, Cambridge and Wells.

Try your hand at composition to introduce more methods. I have another one which has nine methods in it.—D.B.

BOLTON BRANCH'S NEW ACTIVITIES

At the annual general meeting of Bolton Branch, Lancashire Association, on January 28th, it was decided to hold a series of Branch evening practices in addition to the normal monthly meetings. As far as possible these are to be the ordinary weekly practice of the tower chosen, augmented by as many visitors as possible. It is hoped that this will help to introduce to the rest of the Branch these towers whose members do not at present attend meetings.

Alternating will be visits to the towers with few or no ringers at all, to keep the bells going.

The first meeting was at Bolton Parish Church on February 6th, when ringers from Bolton (Holy Trinity), Leigh and Westhoughton joined the local band for their weekly practice.

The next is to be at Holy Trinity, Bolton, on Friday, February 17th, and future meetings will be arranged to suit the convenience of all concerned. It is to be hoped that these practices will be supported by visitors and residents alike, as the extra effort of arranging them will otherwise be wasted.

AN UNSUNG MEMBER

After the peal at Barrow-on-Humber, Lincs, on January 30th, in honour of the 80th birthday of Mr. Albert E. Fowler, the band, along with other Barrow ringers, were entertained at his residence. This provided an opportunity for Guild officers to express admiration and thanks to Eddie, as he is affectionately known, for 60 years of faithful service ringing and church membership.

This is probably the first time that his name has appeared in "The Ringing World," but his service to his church has been of great value. All Guilds and Associations have their unsung members, and it is well that at times they are given rightful thanks. That Eddie might be spared many more years to continue his service ringing was the sincere wish of all present, writes the Master of the Lincoln Guild.

SUFFOLK TOWER'S PROBLEM

An appeal may soon be launched to restore the 14th century church at Kersey, near Haulleigh, Suffolk. The cost is estimated at £9,300. At the moment the "Friends" of the church are raising money for the re-hanging of the bells and have about £700 towards the £2,000 needed for the job. "With a repair bill of £9,300 for general church restoration," writes our correspondent, "it does not look as if the bells will be overhauled just yet, unless something unexpected happens."

ON SYDNEY TV

The two elder sons of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Goodyer, of Sydney, N.S.W., had a ten-minute interview on Sydney TV in the Children's Programme—"My Hobby." Philip explained lucidly how bells were rung and showed various exhibits such as a bell rope and an old stay to explain his points. Afterwards the boys rang a plain hunt on four bells. In his congratulations afterwards the producer said the boys had the most interesting hobby he had come across.

CARY DISTRICT'S FIRST ANNUAL AT MILBORNE PORT

The holding of the Cary Branch annual meeting at Milborne Port on January 28th is believed to be the first District annual meeting to be held there. The Vicar, Preb. E. D. Buxton, who conducted the service with the Branch vice-chairman (Preb. O. H. Skipwith), mentioned that this was one of his first engagements since returning the previous day from a trip to Canada and New Zealand, that had taken him round the world.

At the business meeting, which followed tea, an apology for absence was read from the Branch chairman (the Rev. G. S. Robinson), and best wishes were sent for his recovery. A silent tribute was paid to the memory of Mr. C. Brown (Templecombe) and Mr. C. Thomas (Queen Camel), who had died during the past year. The secretary's report and balance sheet were adopted and a list of peals and quarter peals rung in the Branch during 1966 read out.

The officers were all re-elected as follows: Chairman, Rev. G. S. Robinson; vice-chairman, Preb. O. H. Skipwith; Ringing Master, Mr. D. M. C. Hill; secretary, Mr. L. McCreadie. Mr. John H. Gilbert, of Long Ashton, was nominated for the post of general secretary.

Certificates were presented to four South Cadbury members, and 17 new members were elected, coming from the towers of Barton St. David, Castle Cary, Ditcheat, Henstridge, Milborne Port, Templecombe and Wincanton.

Quarterly meetings (subject to permission) were fixed for Babcary in April, North Cheriton and Maperton in July, and Bruton in October, with next year's annual meeting at Wincanton. The Corporate Communion is to be held at Henstridge, with Branch practices at North Cadbury, Stoke Trister, Corton Denham and Charlton Mackrell.

South Devon was chosen at the venue for the Branch outing and approval was given to Mr. J. H. Gilbert's proposal that instructional courses in bellringing should be held in Somerset.

Thanks were accorded to the Vicar, organist, tower captain and the ladies who had prepared and served tea.

A return was then made to the belfry, about 60 ringers being present.

RINGING PART OF UNIVERSITY RAG

The Rag Committee of University College of Wales, Aberystwyth, are this year making a special effort for the Royal National Institute for the Blind. A quarter peal was rung on the steps of Capel Seilo. Donations in support will be acknowledged by David E. P. Watkins, 13, Terrace Road, Aberystwyth.

IN MEMORY OF A DOG

It is not often we have quarter peals to mark the passing of a dog, but such a quarter peal was rung at Abingdon, Berks, on February 6th, in memory of "Scamp," aged 14 years. The memorial inscription reads: "In Memoriam Rectori canis, nomine Scamp, qui aet 14 ann. A.D. iii, Kal. Feb. ob."

CHILCOMPTON'S PROGRESS

Following a recent report that the Sunday service band at Chilcompton had entered the field of Spiced Surprise Minor ringing, we are now able to report further that this band rang an excellent peal of 16 Surprise Minor methods involving 98 changes of method on February 6th. The conductor was Adrian P. Beck. It is understood that the next attempt will be for 20 methods.

TOWER BELL PEALS

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CURRY RIVEL, Somerset.—At the Church of St Andrew.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt.

*George Norcliffe Treble	Robert Dean 5
Trevor A. Cross 2	Rev. Christopher Marshall .. 5
Frederick Welch 3	Frederick G. Sandy 7
Derek S. Beaufoy 4	Jack W. Drew Tenor

Composed by T. E. Worsley.

Conducted by Jack W. Drew.

* First peal on eight bells.

Rung to mark the termination of 21 years' loyal service by J. Thomas Locke as secretary of the Crewkerne Deanery Branch of the Association.

WELLS, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Cuthbert.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 HAVANT SURPRISE MAJOR

Middleton's Treble	John Brain 5
Percy H. Hull 2	Gwilym G. Salmon 6
Diana M. Chapman 3	Edward J. Chivers 7
*Sheila Y. Hallett 4	†John H. Gilbert Tenor

Conducted by John H. Gilbert.

* First peal of Surprise. † 50th peal for the Association. 50th peal as conductor. First in the method for the Association and by all the band.

Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Miss S. Y. Hallett.

ASH-IN-MARTOCK, Somerset.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Wed., Feb. 1, 1967, in 2 Hours and 16 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Single Oxford, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob.	Tenor 6½ cwt. in B.
Trevor E. Marks Treble	Derek S. Beaufoy 4
Raymond P. Selway 2	William E. Turner 5
Gilbert W. Rendell 3	Trevor A. Cross Tenor

Conducted by Trevor A. Cross.

EXFORD, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.	Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in G.
Mervyn R. Arscott Treble	Frederick C. Arscott 4
Brenda M. Bindon 2	Raymond F. Arscott 5
Leslie H. Arscott 3	Alan F. Lee Tenor

Conducted by Alan F. Lee.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Wilfred Goode, grandfather of the ringer of the second.

CHILCOMPTON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. John.

On Mon., Feb. 6, 1967, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 SPICED SURPRISE MINOR

Being 16 methods in seven extents, viz.: (1) Carlisle, Sandiacre, Northumberland, (2) Bourne, Cambridge, Ipswich, Hull, Primrose, Norfolk, (3) Cambridge, Primrose, Norfolk, Ipswich, (4) London, Wells, Cuncastre, (5) York, Durham, (6) Surfleet, Beverley, (7) Wells, London, with 98 changes of method.	Tenor 20 cwt in E.
Eric C. Wadman Treble	David K. Adnett 4
Ronald G. Beck 2	Adrian P. Beck 5
Edward J. Chivers 3	Robert E. Beck Tenor

Conducted by Adrian P. Beck.

First in 16 methods of Surprise by all the band and for the Association. Rung by the local band.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HUSBORNE CRAWLEY, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sat., Jan. 28, 1967, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Washbrook's six singles.	Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. in D.
*Diana M. Frost Treble	Keith H. Fleming 5
Linda Ellison 2	Alan J. Frost 6
Ronald J. Sharp 3	Stephen Ivin 7
Anthony H. Smith 4	Robert L. Piron Tenor

Conducted by Stephen Ivin.

* First peal of Stedman Triples.

THE BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

NORTH FERRIBY, East Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., Feb. 8, 1967, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.	Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 17 lb. in G
*Stephanie A. Jones Treble	*Elizabeth A. Johnston .. 4
Peter Church 2	Geoffrey W. Randall .. 5
†Roderick R. Horton .. 3	†Michael Maughan .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey W. Randall.

* First peal at first attempt. First of Plain Bob Minor.

THE BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Church of St. Barnabas, Erdington.

On Wed., Feb. 1, 1967, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 UXBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.

Michael B. Jefferyes .. Treble	John R. Insley 5
Robert M. Chambers .. 2	Rupert A. Clarke 6
Christopher S. Nokes .. 3	Richard J. Parker 7
James R. White 4	Graham C. Paul Tenor

Composed by Stanley Jenner.

Conducted by Richard J. Parker.

THE BRISTOL SOCIETY.

BRISTOL.—At the Cathedral Church of the Holy and Undivided Trinity.

On Fri., Jan. 27, 1967, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 lb. in E flat.

*David Rennolds Treble	*Trevor Newlands 5
†Bruce Martin 2	*Richard W. Sweet 6
†John W. Collard 3	D. John Hunt 7
†Michael Powell 4	Gillian M. Hunt Tenor

Composed by H. Hubbard.

Conducted by D. John Hunt.

* First peal of Bob Triples. † First peal. ‡ First peal on eight.

BRISTOL.—At the Church of the Holy Nativity, Knowle.

On Sat., Jan. 28, 1967, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Trevor Newlands Treble	David Rennolds 5
*Bruce Martin 2	John F. Pedler 6
*John W. Collard 3	D. John Hunt 7
Gillian M. Hunt 4	Ralph G. Edwards .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by D. John Hunt.

* First peal of Major

Tenor 11 cwt.

LONGNEY, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Laurence.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt.

*Richard W. Sweet Treble	*Trevor Newlands 5
*Gillian M. Hunt 2	*David Rennolds 6
*Bruce Martin 3	*Kenneth J. Rider 7
*John W. Collard 4	D. John Hunt Tenor

Composed by S. H. Wood.

Conducted by D. John Hunt.

* First peal of Little Bob. Rung half muffled.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

ICKLETON, Cambs.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

On Sat., Jan. 28, 1967, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's Variation .. Treble	Tenor 18 cwt 2 qr 21 lb in F.
R. Shipp (Peterhouse) .. Treble	J. H. R. Freeborn (Clare) .. 5
F. E. Haynes (St. Cath's) .. 2	S. J. Woodcock (FitzW.) .. 6
C. W. Daws (Trinity) .. 3	E. N. Thomas (St. John's) .. 7
V. Nutton (Selwyn) 4	F. C. Hobson (St. John's) Tenor

Conducted by Vivian Nutton.

Rung to celebrate the election of the conductor to a Fellowship at Selwyn College.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, Lancs.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 SPICED SURPRISE MAXIMUS

In 24 methods, containing 288 each of Albanian, Aldenham, Belgrave, Cambridge, Lambeth, Pontefract, Prittlewell, Superlative, Wigston, York and Yorkshire, and 144 each of Bedford, Belvoir, Brigstow, Langley, Lincolnshire, Lindsey, Londinium, Pudsey, Redfield, Rochester, Solihull, Southwark and Stonegate, with 104 changes of method.	Tenor 25 cwt. 81 lb. in D.
*Christine Andrew Treble	Cyril Crossthwaite 7
*Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 2	Basil Jones 8
*Frank Osbaldiston 3	*Jeffrey Brannan 9
Neil Bennett 4	John H. Fielden 10
C. Kenneth Lewis 5	†Robert B. Smith 11
Derek Butterworth 6	Brian Harris Tenor

Arranged by Neil Bennett.

Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.

* First peal of Maximus in 24 methods. † 750th peal. First peal in 24 Maximus methods as conductor. First peal in 24 Maximus methods for the Guild.

MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire.—At Christ Church.

On Sat., Jan. 21, 1967, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb.

Derek F. Yates Treble	John Worth 6
Derek Butterworth 2	Robert B. Smith 7
Harold C. Lonyon 3	Alan McFall 8
*Gerald Moorhouse 4	Edward Jenkins 9
C. Kenneth Lewis 5	E. Vivian Williams Tenor

Composed by Shirley Burton. (C.C.C. 40.)

Conducted by R. B. Smith.

* First peal on ten tower bells.

Rung as a welcome to a son (David Martin) for Mr. and Mrs. Ivor Nicholls.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MARPLE, Cheshire.—At the Church of All Saints.
On Sat., Jan. 28, 1967, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb.

Robert B. Smith Treble	† Alan B. Rothwell 5
* John Jessup 2	Arthur E. Whiting 6
Gerald Moorhouse 3	Alan McFall 7
Derek F. Yates 4	Frank Osbaldiston Tenor

Composed by J. R. Pritchard.
* First peal. † First of Major.

BOWDON, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 8 lb. in E.

* Morris E. Brundrett .. Treble	* Geoffrey O. Sanders .. 5
Eileen Moore 2	Douglas W. Kirkpatrick .. 6
* Derek Cornell 3	Alan J. Brown 7
David A. Hogg 4	Allen Twyman Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Alan J. Brown.

* First peal

Rung as a compliment to the Rev. Julian A. Cliff and Olive Ann Diggars, who were married at the Church of St. George, Stockport, on the previous Saturday.

GRAPPENHALL, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Wilfrid.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 3 Hours,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb. in F.

Clifford W. Shaw Treble	John Moore 5
Christopher J. Jones .. 2	Harold Worrall 6
John E. Bibby 3	John R. Bibby 7
Michael Thomson 4	Walter Allman Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by Walter Allman.
First peal on the bells since being rehung in November, 1966.

BUNBURY, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Boniface.

On Sat., Feb. 11, 1967, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb.

* Keith W. Eaton Treble	* John R. Scott 5
Herbert Sutton 2	George A. Packer 6
John E. Brough 3	Frederick S. Sutton .. 7
* Geoffrey A. Edwards .. 4	Frank R. Morton Tenor

Composed by H. Dains. Conducted by Frank R. Morton.
* First peal of Treble Bob Major. First of Treble Bob Major as conductor.

CHELFORD, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist.

On Sat., Jan. 21, 1967, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 30 120's (10 callings) and six 240's. Tenor 8½ cwt.

* Carole Street Treble	Denis N. Heapy 4
Robert Barratt 2	Barry Corbishley 5
Ernest Pimlott 3	* Philip Widdows Tenor

Conducted by Ernest Pimlott.

* First peal.

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

DUFFIELD, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Alkmund.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5093 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB CATERS

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

John Chadwick Treble	John F. Murfin 6
David W. Friend 2	Gordon A. Halls 7
Denis R. Carlisle 3	Harold Taylor 8
John S. Dean 4	Denis A. Frith 9
Malcolm P. Phipps 5	George L. Roobottom .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Gordon A. Halls.

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

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

CHELMSFORD, Essex.—At the Cathedral Church of SS. Mary the Virgin, Peter and Cedd.

On Mon., Feb. 6, 1967, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 YORK SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in C.

Brian J. Howard Treble	Ian R. Panton 7
Claire Hudson 2	Andrew S. Hudson 8
* Josephine A. Quilter .. 3	Joe E. G. Roast 9
Richard J. Harrison .. 4	Peter J. Brown 10
Christopher K. Cooper .. 5	Dennis A. S. Symonds .. 11
Peter J. Eves 6	James L. Towler Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Andrew S. Hudson.

* First 12-bell peal. First peal of Maximus in the method by all the band.

MALDON, Essex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., Feb. 1, 1967, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in F.

Ian Foster Treble	Thomas F. Metcalfe .. 5
Josephine A. Quilter .. 2	Ian R. Panton 6
Dennis A. S. Symonds .. 3	James L. Towler 7
Richard J. Harrison .. 4	* Joe E. G. Roast Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivins.

Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.

* Has "circled the tower."

RAYNE, Essex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents in 15 methods: (1) Alnwick and Newcastle, (2) Chester and Munden, (3) London and Wells, (4) York and Durham, (5) Westminster, Allendale and Fryerning, (6) Beverley and Surfleet, (7) Ipswich and Cambridge. Tenor 7 cwt.

Yvonne A. Murray .. Treble	† Dennis A. S. Symonds .. 4
*† Peter G. Brown 2	James L. Towler 5
* Josephine A. Quilter .. 3	Joe E. G. Roast Tenor

Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.

* Most methods to a peal. † 50th peal together.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

LONGNEY, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

On Sun., Jan. 22, 1967, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In eight methods, comprising 960 changes of Rutland, 896 of Yorkshire, 704 each of Bristol and Lincolnshire, 672 of Cambridge, 448 each of Pudsey and Superlative and 224 of London, with 111 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor 11 cwt.

Brian Bladon Treble	* James R. White 5
Diana M. Chapman 2	John H. Fielden 6
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 3	Richard J. Parker 7
Anthony R. Peake 4	Peter Bridle Tenor

Composed by Richard J. Parker. Conducted by John H. Fielden.

* First peal of Spliced Surprise Major.

Rung in memory of Mr. Pockett, aged 92, a local ringer.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

LLANGARRON, Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. Deinst.

On Sat., Jan. 28, 1967, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 six-scores (10 callings). Tenor 11 cwt.

Henry G. Brewer Treble	Raymond A. Brewer .. 4
Frederick Oakley 2	Frederick E. J. Reynolds 5
Reginald I. Brewer .. 3	John J. Webb Tenor

Conducted by Frederick E. J. Reynolds.

Rung with the bells half-muffled in memoriam John Brewer, a churchwarden and ringer at this church for over 50 years.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ASH-NEXT-SANDWICH, Kent.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. Parker's 12-part. Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. in E flat.

* Michael G. Tong Treble	Keith I. Davis 5
James Hedgecock 2	David L. Cawley 6
Pamela E. Powell 3	David H. Niblett 7
Rachel J. Sinden 4	Derek J. Carr Tenor

Conducted by Donald H. Niblett.

* First peal.

Rung as a compliment to David J. Baker and Norma Coom, married at Llanelly this day.

LAMBERHURST, Kent.—At the Church of St. Mary the Blessed Virgin.

On Sat., Jan. 7, 1967, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 17 lb. in F sharp.

Martin L. Howe Treble	Peter S. Muchlinski .. 4
Frank H. Hicks 2	John A. Howard 5
Richard Hayes 3	Christopher T. Osenton .. Tenor

Conducted by Christopher T. Osenton.

EAST PECKHAM, Kent.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sun., Jan. 29, 1967, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in six methods, viz.: (1) Oxford T.B., (2) Kent T.B., (3) Cambridge Surprise, (4) Plain Bob, (5) St. Clement's (6) Single Oxford, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

Richard Hayes Treble	Peter S. Muchlinski .. 4
John A. Howard 2	Tony Lewis 5
Harold Evans 3	Christopher T. Osenton .. Tenor

Conducted by Christopher T. Osenton.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

PRESTON Lancashire.—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist.
On Sun., Jan. 29, 1967, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL
No. 3 Version. Tenor 24 cwt. 18 lb.
Dennis H. McCormick .. Treble Edward Jenkins 6
F. John Nelson 2 Jeffrey Kershaw 7
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 3 Jeffrey J. Fox 8
Margaret E. Fort 4 Neil Bennett 9
John H. Fielden 5 Derek Butterworth Tenor
Composed by J. Henry Fielden. Conducted by John H. Fielden.
Arranged and rung as silver wedding compliments to Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Crossthwaite (January 24th) and Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy Fielden (January 24th).

WESTHOUGHTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew.
On Sat., Feb. 4th, 1967, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt.
Allan Keen Treble Roy Jolley (15) 5
James E. Andrews .. (15) 2 Christopher Lomax 6
Keith .. (15) .. 3 Geoffrey Fothergill 7
*John L. Lingworth (16) .. 4 Albert Greenhalgh Tenor
Composed by Norman Smith. Conducted by Geoffrey Fothergill.
* First peal of Surprise Major. First in the method for all except the conductor. First peal in the method as conductor. First in the method on the bells. Believed to be the first in the method for the Bolton Branch. All the ringers, except the ringer of the treble, belong to the service band at Westhoughton.

MILNROW, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. James.
On Sun., Feb. 5, 1967, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Dexter's No. 1. Tenor 18 cwt. 2 lb. in E.
*Jane Reynolds Treble *V. David Hodgson 5
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 2 Ivan Kay 6
Jeffrey Kershaw 3 Derek Butterworth 7
Frank Reynolds 4 John H. Fielden Tenor
Conducted by Derek Butterworth.

* First peal of Stedman.
Rung as an engagement compliment to Margaret E. Fort and Ian H. Oram.

BRINDLE, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sat., Jan. 28, 1967, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Seven different extents. Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 17 lb. in F sharp.
*Joan Garth Treble Dennis H. McCormick 4
Tony Gardner 2 Stanley Anderton 5
Jayne Reynolds 3 Roger Barnes Tenor
Conducted by Dennis H. McCormick.

* First peal attempt.
Rung for the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. C. Crossthwaite.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MARKET BOSWORTH, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Peter.
On Sat., Jan. 28, 1967, in 3 Hours,

A PEAL OF 5152 SYSTON DELIGHT MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 5 lb. in E.
Howard C. Palmer .. Treble Martin Green 5
Malcolm E. Wade .. 2 Roland H. Cook 6
W. Ernest Rawson .. 3 Samuel J. Haines 7
William A. Lacey 4 R. Kingsley Mason Tenor
Composed by G. Marriner. Conducted by Roland H. Cook.
First peal of Syston Delight by all the band and on the bells.

MEASHAM, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, comprising 1,824 Bristol, 1,344 Cambridge, 1,152 Superlative and 768 London, with 98 changes of method.
Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb.
John E. Cook .. Treble W. Ernest Rawson 5
Howard C. Palmer .. 2 Samuel J. Haines 6
*Martin Green 3 Roland H. Cook 7
William A. Lacey 4 R. Kingsley Mason Tenor
Composed by H. G. Cashmore. Conducted by Roland H. Cook.
* First peal of Spliced Surprise Major. First of Spliced Surprise Major as conductor.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

BARROW-ON-HUMBER, Lincs.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Mon., Jan. 30, 1967, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 17 lb.
Ronald Chafer Treble Septimus Neave 5
Norman Bell 2 Michael W. Crowder 6
Harry Baldwin 3 Jack Bray 7
C. Aubrey Harrison .. 4 W. Arthur Crowder Tenor
Composed by C. H. Martin. Conducted by Michael W. Crowder.
Rung on the 80th birthday of A. E. Fowler, for 60 years a devoted service ringer at this church.

ALGARKIRK, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
On Sat., Jan. 28, 1967, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in 11 methods, viz.: (1) College, (2) Norwich Surprise, (3) Hereward and Single Oxford, (4) Surfleet and Beverley Surprise, (5) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (6) Cambridge Surprise, (7) Double and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. in F sharp.
Joan Gilbert Treble Harold Barsley 4
Janet E. Hubbard 2 Keith R. Davey 5
R. Arthur Goldsmith .. 3 Alan G. Payne Tenor
Conducted by Alan G. Payne.

GOSBERTON, Lincs.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Mon., Jan. 30, 1967 in 3 Hours,

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents in 20 methods, viz.: (1) London and Wells, (2) Lightfoot and Wearmouth, (3) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Primrose and Bourne, (4) Durham, York, Surfleet and Beverley, (5) Hexham and Berwick, (6) Westminster, Allendale and Fryerning, (7) Norwich. Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb. in E flat.
Maurice Bennett .. Treble Denis R. Woods 4
R. Arthur Goldsmith .. 2 Frank Taylor 5
Edwin T. Chapman .. 3 Alan G. Payne Tenor
Conducted by Alan G. Payne.

THE MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.

SALFORD, Lancashire.—At the Church of the Sacred Trinity.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 5 Hours and 23 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 10680 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 11½ cwt.
David Ley Treble Christopher L. D. Munday 5
Alan S. Burbidge 2 A. Stephen Taylor 6
Christopher M. Movley .. 3 John W. Gander 7
David J. Jukes 4 E. Andrew Harrison .. Tenor
Composed and Conducted by Alan S. Burbidge.

Longest peal by all the band, on the bells and for the Guild.
Rung to celebrate the wedding of Dr. David Baker and Miss Norma Coom, who were married earlier in the day.

WEST DIDSbury, Manchester.—At Christ Church.

On Tues., Feb. 7, 1967, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 16½ cwt.
Margaret Whitehead .. Treble *David J. Jukes 5
Alan S. Burbidge 2 E. Andrew Harrison 6
*A. Stephen Taylor 3 *Christopher L. D. Munday 7
†Simon Taylor 4 David Ley Tenor
Composed by J. J. Parker. Conducted by Christopher L. D. Munday.
* First peal in the method. † First peal. First peal as conductor.
Rung for the Manchester and Salford Students' Rag, held on this day.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

WILLESDEN, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Thurs., Jan. 26, 1967, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5024 HANSLOPE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb.
G. William Critchley .. Treble Ruth M. Foreman 5
Yvonne Edwards 2 Dennis Knox 6
Claudia A. Critchley .. 3 David P. Hilling 7
Alick Cutler 4 John Hill Tenor
Composed by H. W. Wilde. Conducted by G. William Critchley.
First peal in the method by all the band.

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MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
HAMPTON, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 SCIENTIFIC TRIPLES

John Carter's Original One-Part. Tenor 12½ cwt.
Jonathan S. N. Porter .. Treble .. 5
Kenneth J. Darvill .. 2 .. William S. Deason .. 6
Christopher H. Rogers .. 3 .. John Hill .. 7
Robin G. Leale .. 4 .. A. Patrick Cannon .. Tenor

Conducted by Robin G. Leale.

This composition is now rung for the first time and at the first attempt.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Tues., Jan. 24, 1967, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 SWINDON SURPRISE ROYAL

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

John K. Smith .. Treble .. *Joseph W. Cotton .. 6
Gordon H. Lane .. 2 .. Samuel J. Haines .. 7
Richard J. Clifton .. 3 .. Howard C. Palmer .. 8
Martin Green .. 4 .. G. Ronald Edwards .. 9
Arthur E. Rowley .. 5 .. R. Kingsley Mason .. Tenor

Composed by John M. Jelley. Conducted by R. Kingsley Mason.

* 1,100th peal. First peal of Swindon Royal by all the band (except the conductor), on the bells and for the Guild.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Tues., Feb. 7, 1967, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

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

John K. Smith .. Treble .. Howard C. Palmer .. 5
Richard J. Clifton .. 2 .. Samuel J. Haines .. 6
Arthur E. Rowley .. 3 .. G. Ronald Edwards .. 7
Joseph W. Cotton .. 4 .. R. Kingsley Mason .. Tenor

Composed by Nathan J. Pitstow. Conducted by R. Kingsley Mason.

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

DRAYCOTT, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Margaret.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor approx. 11 cwt.

*Richard King .. Treble .. Denis Mottershead .. 5
Sidney Hough .. 2 .. Alex Richardson .. 6
Joyce Grainger .. 3 .. Dennis Latham .. 7
Geoffrey R. Gardner .. 4 .. Neil D. Lomas .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by Neil D. Lomas.

* First peal of Treble Bob.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, Norfolk.—At the Church of

St. Mary the Virgin.

On Thurs., Jan. 26, 1967, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. Parker's 12-Part (6th obs.). Tenor 8 cwt. 48 lb. in G
Thomas R. Simmons .. Treble .. *Frank Sutton .. 5
David Cubitt .. 2 .. Leslie F. Bailey .. 6
David Heighton .. 3 .. Martin Cubitt .. 7
Geoffrey H. Pullin .. 4 .. Peter M. Adcock .. Tenor

Conducted by David Heighton.

* First peal in the method. First of Grandsire Triples as conductor
Rung as a welcome to Richard William Heighton, son of the conductor, born January 9th, 1967.

SCOLE, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5260 MINOR

In eight methods, being one extent each of Beverley Surprise, Double Oxford, Oxford T.B., St. Clement's, Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.

Tenor 4 cwt. 1 qr. 2 lb.
Stephen F. High .. Treble .. Thomas J. Brock .. 4
Michael J. Howes .. 2 .. J. Barry Pickup .. 5
Norman P. J. Cossey .. 3 .. Roger E. Peckham .. Tenor

Conducted by J. Barry Pickup.

Longest length for all except the conductor.

Rung as an engagement compliment to Margaret Fort and Ian Oram.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

SHIPLAKE, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Jan. 28, 1967, in 3 Hours,

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

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

*Judith Southwood .. Treble .. Reginald W. Rex .. 5
†Helen M. Diserens .. 2 .. Kenneth Davenport .. 6
†Diana Reeves .. 3 .. Robert A. Reeves .. 7
Christopher I. Rowson .. 4 .. Alan R. Pink .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. Tidler, (No. 8.) Conducted by Alan R. Pink.

* First peal on eight bells. † First of Major in the method.

‡ First in the method "inside."

Rung to commemorate the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul.

OXFORD.—At the Church of St. Ebbe.

On Sun., Jan. 29, 1967, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 METHERINGHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb. in B flat.

Charles Coles .. Treble .. Frederick R. Scott .. 5
Alan R. Patterson .. 2 .. Maurice G. Ingram .. 6
Reginald W. Rex .. 3 .. Geoffrey K. Dodd .. 7
Stephen F. Royal .. 4 .. David P. Hilling .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. Washbrook.

Conducted by David P. Hilling.

The ringer of the fifth has now "circled the tower."

EAST HAGBOURNE, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 JEDBURGH SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21½ cwt.

Graham C. Paul .. Treble .. Rupert A. Clarke .. 5
Barry E. Saunders .. 2 .. *Richard J. Parker .. 6
James R. White .. 3 .. James Linnell .. 7
Christopher I. Rowson .. 4 .. Alan A. Paul .. Tenor

Composed by Richard F. B. Speed. Conducted by Graham C. Paul.

* 200th peal.

WANTAGE, Berkshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 XENIA SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 12 lb. in E flat.

James Linnell .. Treble .. Barry E. Saunders .. 5
*James R. White .. 2 .. *Rupert A. Clarke .. 6
Alan A. Paul .. 3 .. Richard J. Parker .. 7
John C. Baldwin .. 4 .. Graham C. Paul .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen J. Ivin. Conducted by James R. White.

* 25th peal together. First of Surprise Major as conductor.

WARFIELD, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's Variation. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 27 lb. in F.
Kenneth R. Davenport Treble .. Frank W. Lewis .. 5
*Susanne Sargeant .. 2 .. *Stanley G. Scott .. 6
†Sandra E. Goodship .. 3 .. *Arthur J. N. Rance .. 7
*Joan A. Rance .. 4 .. Frank C. Price .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by Frank C. Price.

* First peal of Surprise. † First of Surprise "inside." ‡ 25th peal.
First peal on the bells since being rehung by the Whitechapel Bell Foundry.

MILTON, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Blaise.

On Sat., Jan. 14, 1967, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Five different extents. Tenor 9½ cwt. in A flat.

*Douglas C. Henderson .. Treble .. A. Keith P. Poole .. 4
Melvyn J. Hiller .. 2 .. Christopher I. Rowson .. 5
J. Richard Poole .. 3 .. Michael C. E. Hodge .. Tenor

Conducted by Christopher I. Rowson

* First peal, first attempt. First in the method for all the band.

WOOTTON, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Jan. 28, 1967, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, comprising: (1) Norwich, (2) Cambridge, (3) York, (4) Beverley, (5) Durham, (6) Surfleet and (7) Ipswich.

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in A flat

Ernest G. Jones .. Treble .. Peter J. Heritage .. 4
David Floyd .. 2 .. Christopher C. Clarke .. 5
Ronald K. Russ .. 3 .. Edward R. Venn .. Tenor

Conducted by Edward R. Venn.

First peal of Minor on the bells.

NORTH MORETON, Berkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Jan. 28, 1967, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

42 extents of four callings. Tenor 12 cwt. in G.
Sue M. Heyworth .. Treble .. †Christopher R. Freeman .. 3
*Clive W. Temperton .. 2 .. Andrew R. D. Cope .. 4

Melvyn J. Hiller .. Tenor

* First peal. † First "inside" First as conductor. First of Plain Bob Doubles for all the band

THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

HORSPATH, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Wed., Feb. 1, 1967, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Buxton, Childwall, Beverley, St. Clement's, Kent, Cambridge and Plain Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt. in B

*Stephen K. Thompson .. Treble .. Philip J. Daniel .. 4
Vanessa C. A. Rodrigues .. 2 .. Stephen F. Royal .. 5
†Richard J. Wilsher .. 3 .. †Roger E. Burbery .. Tenor

Conducted by Stephen F. Royal.

* First peal. † First of Minor

Rung by the present officers of the Society.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
DAVENTRY, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of the Holy Cross.
 On Fri., Feb. 3, 1967, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
 Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr 11 lb. in E flat.
 Peter Border Treble 6
 James Linnell 2 Charles E. Truman 7
 Robin V. Wilson 3 Alan A. Paul 8
 Richard J. Danby 4 Patrick I. Chapman 9
 Malcolm J. V. Chown 5 Barrie Hendry Tenor
 Composed by Roderick W. Pipe. Conducted by Peter Border

FINEDON, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.
 On Sat., Jan. 21, 1967, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
 Sheila J. Staley Treble 5
 Murray A. Coleman 2 Frank E. Coates 6
 Mary R. Coleman 3 Terry G. Smith 7
 Edward C. Buckby 4 Richard J. Cowley Tenor
 Composed by J. Nicoll. Conducted by Richard J. Cowley.
 * First peal in the method. † 25th peal.
 Rung with the compliments of all the band to Mr. and Mrs. K. Buckby, parents of the ringers of the 4th, upon their silver wedding, January 17th, 1967. Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in D.

PETERBOROUGH, Northants.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.
 On Fri., Feb. 3, 1967, in 3 Hours.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
 Tenor 26 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb.
 *Mrs. P. A. Smith Treble 5
 †Raymond H. Daw 2 John H. Bluff 6
 Frank Boyall 3 Roy Spencer 7
 William Barker 4 Gilbert Cowling Tenor
 Composed by James Topp. Conducted by John H. Bluff.
 * First peal. † First in the method.
 Rung as a golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. Warner.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
BIRMINGHAM.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
 On Thurs., Jan. 26, 1967, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDINIUM SURPRISE MAXIMUS
 Peter J. Stretton Treble 7
 Ann E. Fellows 2 John C. Eisel 8
 *Iris M. E. Lemare 3 Norman J. Goodman 9
 Roderick W. Pipe 4 George E. Fearn 10
 James Insley 5 Peter Border 11
 John R. Insley 6 J. Alan Ainsworth Tenor
 Composed and Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.
 * First peal of Londinium. Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
 On Thurs., Feb. 2, 1967, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 ELDON SURPRISE MAXIMUS
 Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.
 John A. Anderson Treble 7
 Ann E. Fellows 2 Michael J. Fellows 8
 Norman J. Goodman 3 John C. Eisel 9
 John R. Insley 4 Ian M. Holland 10
 James Insley 5 George E. Fearn 11
 Roderick W. Pipe 6 J. Alan Ainsworth Tenor
 Composed and Conducted by Peter Border.
 * 100th peal on 12 bells. First peal in the method.

ELDON SURPRISE MAXIMUS
 .3T—3T.14—12—3T.14—14.5T.16—16.7T.18—18.9T.18—38.9T
 2nds place l.h.
 This method has Londinium work above the treble

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
 On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
 Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.
 Maurice F. Edwards Treble 7
 Muriel Reay 2 Roderick W. Pipe 8
 *Norman J. Goodman 3 George E. Fearn 9
 Vivienne M. Rigby 4 Arthur V. Pearson 10
 John R. Insley 5 Brian J. Luff 11
 James Insley 6 David J. Purnell Tenor
 J. Alan Ainsworth Tenor
 Composed and Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.
 * 500th peal together. † 50th on this bell.

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
 On Thurs., Feb. 9, 1967, in 3 Hours and 36 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
 Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.
 J. Alan Ainsworth Treble 7
 Ann E. Fellows 2 David J. Purnell 8
 Norman J. Goodman 3 John R. Insley 9
 Paul J. Rigby 4 Roderick W. Pipe 10
 James Insley 5 John C. Eisel 11
 George E. Fearn 6 Michael J. Fellows Tenor
 Peter Border Tenor
 Composed and Conducted by Peter Border.
 * 100th peal.

NORTHAMPTON.—At the Church of St. Giles.
 On Sat., Jan. 28, 1967, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
 No. 6. Tenor 24 cwt. in D.
 Maurice F. Edwards .. Treble .. James Insley 6
 Raymond Aldington 2 .. Norman J. Goodman 7
 Muriel Reay 3 .. Roderick W. Pipe 8
 Ann E. Fellows 4 .. J. Alan Ainsworth 9
 John R. Insley 5 .. Clifford A. Barron Tenor
 Composed by Roderick W. Pipe. Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
ALDEBURGH, Suffolk.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
 On Sat., Jan. 21, 1967, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
 Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in G sharp.
 J. Barry Pickup Treble 5
 Norman P. J. Cossey 2 .. Ruth Woodman 6
 Adrian Knights 3 .. Vernon Bedford 7
 Thomas J. Brock 4 .. Peter S. Bedford Tenor
 Composed by T. B. Worsley. Conducted by J. Barry Pickup.

GRUNDISBURGH, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.
 On Sat., Feb. 11, 1967, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
 Tenor 8 cwt. 23 lb. in G.
 Michael F. Daniels Treble 5
 Cecil W. Pipe 2 .. Ernest G. Pearce 6
 B. Gillian Schofield 3 .. Roderick W. Pipe 7
 Frank B. Lufkin 4 .. George E. Thoday Tenor
 Arranged and Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.
 Rung with the best wishes for the 80th birthdays of Charles J. Sedgley and James Bennett (February 3rd and 15th respectively).

BENHALL, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.
 On Mon., Jan. 23, 1967, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
 Being 12 extents each of St. Simon and St. Martin and 18 extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.
 Robert Cassidy Treble 4
 Stephen Bedford 2 .. Adrian Knights 5
 Vernon Bedford 3 .. Harry Draper Tenor
 Conducted by Adrian Knights.
 First peal as conductor.

HINTLESHAM, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.
 On Wed., Feb. 1, 1967, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
 Being 17 methods in seven extents as follows: (1) London and Double Court Bob, (2) London Scholars, Kingston, Sandal and Capel T.B., (3) Cambridge and Ipswich Surprise, (4) St. Clement's, Childwall, Double Oxford and Thelwall Bob, (5) Kent and Oxford T.B., (6) Double and Oxford Bob, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.
 Walter Arnold Treble 4
 Peter G. Pitt 2 .. Michael Bew 5
 Neil V. Avis 3 .. Frank B. Lufkin Tenor
 Stephen D. Humphrey .. Tenor
 Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.
 * Most methods to a peal.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
BRIGHTON, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Nicholas of Myra.
 On Sat., Jan. 14, 1967, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5183 GRANDSIRE CATERS
 Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.
 Arthur G. Mason Treble 6
 Lucile M. Corby 2 .. Philip A. Corby 7
 John A. Howard 3 .. Andrew J. Corby 8
 W. Arthur Riddington 4 .. Christopher T. Osenton 9
 Richard Hayes 5 .. Herbert E. Audsley Tenor
 David L. Cawley Tenor
 Composed and Conducted by Christopher T. Osenton.

UPPER BEEDING, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Peter.
 On Sat., Jan. 14, 1967, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
 Tenor 8 cwt.
 Frank H. Hicks Treble 5
 W. Arthur Riddington 2 .. Richard Hayes 6
 *James M. Hills 3 .. Herbert W. Woolven 7
 John A. Howard 4 .. Andrew J. Corby Tenor
 Christopher T. Osenton .. Treble
 Composed by R. J. Parker. Conducted by Christopher T. Osenton.
 * First peal in the method.
 Rung as a farewell peal to W. Arthur Riddington, of Upper Beeding.

EASTBOURNE, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.
 On Sat., Jan. 28, 1967, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.
A PEAL OF 5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
 Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in F.
 Derek Slater Treble 5
 Christopher T. Osenton 2 .. John A. Howard 6
 *Peter S. Muchlinski 3 .. Richard Hayes 7
 9lan R. Baldock 4 .. Bernard F. L. Groves Tenor
 Martin L. Howe Tenor
 Composed by Roderick W. Pipe. Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.
 Rung as a birthday compliment to Peter S. Muchlinski.

THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.
CADOXTON, Neath, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Catwg.
On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 11 methods, being 240 changes each of Reverse Canterbury, Clifford's Pleasure, Southrepps, Little Aston, All Saints, Seighford Reverse St. Bartholomew and Dedworth, 480 April Day, 1,200 Plain Bob and 1,440 Grandsire.
Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb.
Edmund J. Morris Treble William J. Thomas 4
Alwyn R. Lewis 2 Harry Boyce 5
Gwyn I. Lewis 3 *David Culpin Tenor

Conducted by Gwyn I. Lewis.

* First peal 150th peal as conductor.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
SHEDFIELD, Hampshire.—At the Church of St John the Baptist.
On Sat., Jan. 21, 1967, in 3 Hours.

A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.
Bradley Murduck Treble Michael S. Holbrook 5
Reginald F. Crook 2 Reginald W. Rex 6
Betty Daysh 3 Geoffrey K. Dodd 7
Denby P. Murduck 4 Philip Murduck Tenor
Composed by H. Dains. Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
HANBURY, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.
On Sat., Jan. 28, 1967, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb. in F sharp.
Geoffrey J. Hemming .. Treble John C. Eisel 5
M. Irene Ellsmore 2 Michael J. Fellows 6
Peter L. Bill 3 *Gerald C. Hemming 7
*Robert Edwards 4 Martin D. Fellows Tenor
Composed by Stephen J. Ivin. Conducted by Michael J. Fellows.
* First peal of London Surprise Major.

NETHERTON, Dudley, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.
On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 lb. in F sharp.
*John Durham Treble Martin D. Fellows 5
Harold J. Shuck 2 Robert Edwards 6
Clifford Skidmore 3 Peter L. Bill 7
Joseph Warr 4 *John Macefield Tenor
Composed by Joseph J. Parker. Arranged by James E. Groves.
Conducted by Martin D. Fellows.

* First peal.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
SKIPTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.
On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt.
John Robinson Treble Neil Donovan 5
M. Susan Jackson 2 †Richard E. Price 6
*Iris M. E. Lemare 3 Stuart R. Armeson 7
Kathleen M. Higgins .. 4 J. Henry Fielden Tenor
Composed by Norman Smith. Conducted by J. Henry Fielden.
* 100th peal of Surprise. † 500th peal.

HEMINGBROUGH, East Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.
On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents in ten methods, viz.: (1) Munden and Chester, (2) London and Wells, (3) Ipswich and Cambridge, (4) York and Durham, (5) Cambridge, Beverley and Surfleet, (6) York, Durham, Beverley and Surfleet, (7) Surfleet, Beverley and Cambridge, with 76 changes of method.
Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb. in F sharp.
George A. Dawson .. Treble Alan H. Bridges 4
*Peter Church 2 Michael Maughan 5
Geoffrey W. Randall .. 3 James Crowther Tenor

Conducted by Michael Maughan.

* First peal of Spliced and most methods to a peal.

HANDBELL PEALS

THE BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.
BIRMINGHAM.—At the Students' Union, Edgbaston.
On Wed., Jan. 11, 1967, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor size 16 in C.
Rupert A. Clarke 1-2 Richard J. Parker 5-6
John R. Insley 3-4 Graham C. Paul 7-8
James R. White 9-10

Arranged and Conducted by Richard J. Parker.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
CAMBRIDGE.—In G 2. New Court, Trinity College.
On Mon., Jan. 30, 1967, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 18 in G
*C. M. Tuckett (Queens') .. 1-2 R. A. G. Inglis (Selwyn) .. 5-6
*C. W. Daws (Trinity) .. 3-4 A. F. Scholfield (Clare) .. 7-8
Composed by C. K. Lewis. Conducted by Alan Schofield.
* First peal on eight handbells. First peal as conductor.
Rung as a compliment to Alan Schofield and Jenny Alcock on their engagement, and with the best wishes of the band to Ruth Richardson (New Hall) on her 21st birthday.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
MARPLE, Cheshire.—At Bombay, 24 Ridge Crescent.
On Tues., Jan. 17, 1967, in 2 Hours and 11 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.
Frank Osbaldiston 1-2 *Alan McFall 5-6
Gerald Moorhouse 3-4 Robert B. Smith 7-8
Composed by John Reeves. Conducted by Robert B. Smith.
* First peal of Treble Bob on an "inside" pair.

PRESTBURY, Cheshire.—At West Pines, Dale Brow.

On Tues., Jan. 24, 1967, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5016 PLAIN BOB MAXIMUS

Tenor size 15 in C.
Alan A. Potts 1-2 Alan McFall 7-8
J. David Atkinson 3-4 Gerald Moorhouse 9-10
Robert B. Smith 5-6 John Worth 11-12
Arranged by Robert B. Smith. Conducted by John Worth.
First peal on 12 handbells as conductor.

THE DURHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY
DURHAM CITY.—At 276, Oswald Wing, Grey College.
On Sun., Feb. 8, 1967, in 1 Hour and 49 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor size 14 in D.
*Jean M. Berriman (Hilds) 1-2 David J. Marshall (Bede) .. 3-4
Malcolm E. Johnson (Grey) 5-6
Conducted by David J. Marshall.
* First peal on handbells.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
CHELTENHAM, Gloucestershire.—At 48, Willersey Road.
On Mon., Jan. 9, 1967, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5076 SPLICED PLAIN MAJOR

In six methods, comprising 2,400 Plain Bob, 1,152 Double Bob, 528 Reverse Bob, 468 Wellington Little Court and 264 each of Little Bob and Lansdowne Imperial Little Bob with 304 changes of method.
Tenor size 12 in F.
Frances Fairbank 1-2 Hugh N. Evans 5-6
Valerie Willard 3-4 Cyril A. Wratten 7-8
Arranged and Conducted by Cyril A. Wratten.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, Wiltshire.—At 33, Bridge End Road.
On Thurs., Jan. 19, 1967, in 2 Hours and 12 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5028 SPLICED PLAIN MAJOR

In four methods, comprising 3,552 Plain Bob, 600 Little Bob, 480 Double Bob and 396 of Gainsborough, with 270 changes of method.
*E. William Ford 1-2 W. Bertram Kynaston 5-6
Brian Bladon 3-4 Anthony R. Peake 7-8
Arranged and Conducted by Anthony R. Peake.
* First of Major on handbells. First of Spliced Major on handbells by all the band. Tenor size 15 in C.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

SHORNE, Kent.—At 14, Warren View.
On Fri., Jan. 20, 1967, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.
Frank J. Matthews 1-2 Christopher T. Osenton .. 5-6
Edward J. Beer 3-4 Stuart Sandford 7-8
Composed by A. Knights. Conducted by Christopher T. Osenton.
Rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr and Mrs. G. J. Butcher, of Northfleet, Kent and also as an engagement compliment to Mr. I. H. Oram and Miss M. E. Fort.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

CLEATHAM, Lincolnshire.—At Cleatham House Farm.
On Thurs., Jan. 26, 1967, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.
Geoffrey R. Parker 1-2 George E. Feirn 5-6
Margaret A. Parker 3-4 Jack L. Millhouse 7-8
Composed by George H. Cross. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

NON-ASSOCIATION.

THRYBERGH, West Yorkshire.—At 3, West Vale Grove.

On Sat., Feb. 4, 1967, in 1 Hour and 54 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINIMUS

In three methods, being 70 extents each of Plain Bob, Reverse Bob and Double Bob with 65 changes of method. Tenor size 13 in E flat.
Margaret Donovan 1-2 John Smalley (cond.) .. 3-4
Longest length "in hand" for both.

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BIRTH

ROBERTSON.—On February 11th, 1967, at Poole Hospital, to Judith (nee Harding) and Ross, of Tarrant Keyneston, Dorset, a son. Sinion Ross. 987

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The address of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Colley is now: Lindum, Free Street, Bishop's Waltham, Southampton. Tel. Bishop's Waltham 2821. 988

PERSONAL

"These are the things ye shall do: Speak ye every man the truth to his neighbour; execute the judgment of truth and peace in your gates."—Zechariah viii, 16.

HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION

CORNWALL.—Bed and breakfast, evening meal; garage.—Mrs. Wonnacott, 4, Cleaveland, Bude, Cornwall. 906

KINGSBRIDGE, SOUTH DEVON.—Bed-breakfast, three miles from sea. Homely accommodation.—L. Yeoman, Glenholm, Marlborough, Kingsbridge. 946

STRATTON, NEAR BUDE, CORNWALL.—Homely accommodation. bed-breakfast, evening meal (optional). Children welcome. TV lounge, car space. No vacancies July 29th-Aug. 26th.—Mr. and Mrs. H. Stacey, Phillips House, Church Street Stratton, near Bude, Cornwall. Tel. Bude 2911.

MISCELLANEOUS

CARBIS BAY, CORNWALL.—No practice on March 3rd. Seven young members of the band being confirmed. Your prayers, please. 1007

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Social, King George V Pavilion, Cressing Road, Braintree, February 25th, at 8 p.m. Tickets (4s. each) from R. Threadgold, Wethersfield Mill, Braintree, Essex.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South Eastern District.—The District Supper and Social will be held in the Church Hall, London Road, Maldon, on Saturday, March 18th. 6.15 for 6.45. Tickets (6s.) available from P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Bell Hill, Danbury.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

(Established 1755)

The 79th Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held on March 4th at the Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, at 7 p.m.

Chairman:
Rev. Canon Gilbert Thurlow,
M.A., F.S.A., F.R.Hist.S.

Tickets 26s.

G. E. Fearn, Hon. Sec., 92, Etwahl Rd., Hall Green, Birmingham 28.
Phone: SPR 1025.

Ringing Arrangements:—

Harborne (8)	2.15 p.m.
Edgbaston (8)	3.00 p.m.
St. Martin's (12)	4.15 p.m.
Cathedral (12)	5 p.m.

1027

TEENAGE PEAL.—Will teenage members of the Bath and Wells Association interested in a teenage peal please contact, giving details of capabilities, Keith E. Beale, 231, Galmington Road, Taunton, Somerset. 999

"The Ringing World" Index for 1966 is now available for 6d., post free. Other indexes still in stock: 1965 64, 63, 62, 60, 59, 58 and 57—all at the same price.

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For many years peal cards have been sold under cost, the very favourable price being a service to the Exercise from the printers of "The Ringing World."

In view of the very competitive price in the latest contract for printing the journal, The Seven Corners Press Ltd. regret that price revision is necessary. Operating from March 3rd the new prices for peal cards will be: 12 for 16s., 18 for 22s., 24 for 26s. post paid. Orders can be accepted only at the same time as peals are published.

Quarter peal charges: 12 for 15s. and 3d. for each additional card.

WIN 100 GUINEAS

Finding a modern Fabian Stedman. See Page 127.

MEETINGS

ST. PETER'S, BRIGHTON.—Practice on Friday, February 24th, 6-7 p.m. only. Practice as usual Friday, March 3rd, 6-7 p.m. University 7.30-9 p.m. University and local band. 1031

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Derby District.—Meeting at St. Alkmund's, Derby, on Saturday, February 25th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in St. Michael's Church House 5 p.m. Ringing, St. Luke's, 6-8 p.m. Names for tea to Clive A. Thrower, 51, Church Street, Spondon, Derby. 903

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND WEST NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—Meeting, Kirkby-in-Ashfield (5), February 25th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. for those notifying Miss T. E. Staples, 14, Frederick Avenue, Kirkby-in-Ashfield. 976

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Meeting at Ottershaw on Saturday, February 25th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea. Please phone Mr. R. Pashley (Weybridge 54399) to notify for tea. 1030

LADIES' GUILD, MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION, OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (local Branches).—Joint meeting at Windsor, Saturday, February 25th. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea, Grove Road Hall. Ringing until 7.30 p.m. Social evening. Names for tea to A. J. Glass, 2, Parsonage Lane, Windsor.—Mrs. Hooton, Mr. Deason, Miss Hague. 937

LADIES' GUILD (Midland District).—Annual meeting, joint with LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Melton Mowbray District) meeting at Somerby, Saturday, February 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea. Names for tea to Mrs. S. Stimson, Somerby, Melton Mowbray, Leics.—S.E.C., Hon. Sec. 969

OXFORD, MIDDLESEX and LADIES' GUILDS.—Joint meeting at Windsor, Saturday, February 25th. Bells will be available at 3 p.m. instead of 3.30 p.m.—A. J. Glass. 1016

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Berks Branch.—Special meeting, Church Hall, Wantage, February 25th. 5 p.m. All towers please be represented. Cups of tea provided. Pre-arranged Branch practice will follow meeting. 951

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Calne Branch.—Meeting at Compton Bassett (5), February 25th. First meeting since rehanging. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Rev. S. Facey, The Rectory, Compton Bassett, Calne. 990

SUFFOLK GUILD.—South West District.—Meeting at Haverhill, Saturday, February 25th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. G. Adams, 97, Withersfield Road, Haverhill, Suffolk.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Business meeting at the Rising Sun, Carter Lane. E.C.4, on February 28th at 8.15 p.m. Practices: February 28th, St. Paul's Cathedral; March 7th, St. Mary-le-Bow; March 14th, St. Botolph's, Aldgate, all at 6.30 p.m. No practice on March 21st.—J. G. A. Prior, 21a, Fieldhouse Road, London, S.W.12. 1008

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—S. and W. District.—Surprise Major practice at Feltham, Wednesday, March 1st. Ringing 7.30-9 p.m. All standard methods.—W. S. Deason. 964

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Loughborough District.—Evening meeting at Hathern (8), Thursday, March 2nd, at 7 p.m. All welcome.—R. M. W. 995

ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD.—Meeting at Northwram, Saturday, March 4th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Rev. T. Dearing, Northwram Vicarage, Halifax. A revised constitution for the Guild will be discussed at the business meeting. 1005

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Ash Priors, Saturday, March 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please.—A. H. Reed, 41, George Street, Taunton. 963

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ilchester Branch.—Quarterly meeting, South Petherton (8), March 4th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting after. Ringing till 9 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. M. L. Legget, Ridgeover, Coker Hill, West Coker (West Coker 208), by February 27th. 948

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—Meeting, Oakley (5), Saturday, March 4th. 3.30 to 5 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Biddenham (6) 6.30 to 8.30 p.m.—C. M. Payne, Dis. Sec. 1010

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Warwick Archdeaconry District.—Meeting at Harbury, March 4th. Bells 3 Service 4.30. Tea 5. More ringing after. The business at this meeting includes the election of a new Branch secretary and two committee members. Names for tea to Mr. S. Hanley, Mill Street, Harbury, Leamington Spa.—P. S. Bennett, Dis. Sec. 970

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Meeting at Sutton on Saturday, March 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Bells after tea until 8.30. 1017

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Bristol City Branch.—Quarterly meeting, March 4th. Bells as follows: 2-3.15 p.m., St. George's, Bristol East; 3.30-4.45 p.m., St. Ambrose's; 6.30-8 p.m., Holy Nativity, Knowle. Tea, St. Ambrose's, 5 p.m.—A. P. Burcher, Branch Sec. 1026

GLOUCESTER UNITED GUILD.—Evening meeting at Barnwood (8), Saturday, March 4th. Ringing 6.30 p.m.-8.30 p.m.—G. J. Clark. 1015

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Watford District.—Practice meeting, Bushey, March 4th, 6.30 p.m.—G. W. Seaman, Dis. Sec. 1024

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Evening meeting, St. Ippolyts (6), Saturday, March 4th. Bells 6 p.m. A short business meeting will be held. All will be made welcome.—C. M. Orme, Dis. Sec. 959

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—By-meeting at Newington, Saturday, March 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to E. A. Gilbert, 144, High Street, Newington. Sittingbourne, by previous Wednesday.—T. Barton, Hon. Dis. Sec. 974

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Fylde Branch.—Meeting at St. Chad's Parish Church, Poulton-le-Fylde, on Saturday, March 4th. Bells (8) at 3 p.m. 1020

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Combined Wigan Branch and Association Committee meeting, Southport, Saturday, March 4th. Ringing at Emmanuel 2 p.m.; Christ Church 7 p.m. Tea in Emmanuel School 5 p.m. Names to Mr. R. Kenrick, 44, Norwood Avenue, Southport. No name, no tea.—K. F. Wilson, Wigan Branch Sec. 1032

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Blackburn Branch. — Meeting at Accrington on Saturday, March 4th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. and after tea. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Tea 3s. (approx.) but substantial reduction if names sent to A. J. Helliwell, 24, Turkey Street, Accrington, by Wednesday, March 1st. Target methods: Gainsborough Little B. and Bristol.—Brian Tomlinson. Branch Sec. 1006

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. — Leicester District. — Meeting at All Saints', Leicester, joint with Syston District, March 4th. Note revised arrangements, please Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by meeting. Service after meeting. Names for tea to Mr. A. Cattell, 58, Saffron Road, South Wigston, Leicester (Wigston 2000) by Wednesday, March 1st. Everyone very welcome.—Ron Hughes. 768

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — North Bucks Branch. — Quarterly meeting, Stony Stratford, March 4th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. B. Eaglesfield, 7, York Road, Stony Stratford, by Wednesday, March 1st. 1018

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — Central Bucks Branch. — Quarterly meeting, Waddesdon (6), Saturday, March 4th. Bells 2.45. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to J. W. Hall, 44, Buckingham Road, Winslow, Blechley, Bucks, by Thursday, March 2nd. 1002

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. — Guildsbrough Branch. — Meeting, Creaton, Saturday, March 4th. Names for tea to J. E. Goddard, 45, Station Road, Long Buckby, Rugby, by Tuesday previous. 1023

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. — Rutland Branch. — Quarterly meeting, Barrowden (5), March 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Names for tea to Mrs. P. Thorley, School House, Lyddington, Uppingham, by Tuesday, February 28th. 983

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — Wimborne and North Dorset Branches. — Joint meeting, Saturday, March 4th. Bells, Stourpaine. 3 p.m. Service, Canford, 4.45, followed by tea and ringing. Names for tea to H. Pitman, 40a, Knighton, Canford Magna, Wimborne, by March 2nd. 1021

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — Devizes Branch. — Meeting at Rowde (six bells), Saturday, March 4th. Ringing at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to M. J. Baker, Police Station, Bromham, Wilts. 804

SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. — Monthly meeting, Sherburn-in-Elmet, Saturday, March 4th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea (mod. charge) 5. Names, please, to Mr. J. Potts, North Sweetmings Farm, Lennerton, South Milford, near Leeds, before 1st.—L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec. 1004

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. — A.G.M. at Rotherham on Saturday, March 4th. Bells: Whiston (8) 3 p.m.—4 p.m.; Parish Church (10) 3.30 p.m.—5 p.m. and after meeting. Tea will be provided for those who notify Mr. N. Chaddock, 17, Herringthorpe Grove, Broom, Rotherham, by previous Wednesday. All welcome. Washington firm to be shown after tea in Church Hall. Moorgate.—Andrew King, Hon. Sec. 986

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. — Nottingham District. — Meeting, All Saints', Nottingham, Saturday, March 4th. 2.30 to 3.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. R. Naylor, 105, Cantrell Road, Bulwell, Nottingham. 1003

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD. — Southern District. — Quarterly meeting, Cadoxton, on Saturday, March 4th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business to follow. Names for tea to Mr. J. A. Hoare, 6, Gendros Crescent, Fforestfach, Swansea, by February 25th. 960

TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD. — A.G.M., St. Austell, March 4th. 3 p.m. Bells (8) after the meeting. Names for tea essential by February 27th.—A. J. Davidson, Gen. Sec., Tyneholme, Barrack Lane, Truro. Tel. 2749 955

WORCESTERSHIRE & DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. — Western Branch. — Quarterly meeting, Upton-Snodsbury (6), March 4th. Bells (3) p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting in Parish Hall. Also Crowle from 7.15 p.m.—8.30 p.m. Names for tea to J. J. Stanier, Branch Sec., 14, Canterbury Road, Worcester, by Wednesday, March 1st.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Northern District) and **CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Meeting, Ripon (10) March 4th. Ringing 2.30-5 and 6-9 p.m. Own arrangements for tea.—Edward Hudson, Hon. Sec. 1029

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — Witely and Woodstock Branch. — Monthly practice, Clanfield, Monday, March 6th, 7 to 9 p.m. 1001

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD. — Annual general meeting at Coleman's Hatch (8), Saturday, March 11th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by A.G.M. and evening ringing. West Hoathly bells available between 2.30 and 4 p.m. Withyham bells available between 7.15 and 8.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. J. Ryman, Vicarage Cottage, Coleman's Hatch, Hartfield, Sussex, by Wednesday, March 8th. 994

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. — North Eastern District. — Meeting at Ardleigh on Saturday, March 11th. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4.30, followed by tea, etc. Names to F. H. Erith, Vinces Farm, Ardleigh, Colchester. 1011

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. — South Eastern District. — A meeting will be held at Sandon (6) on Saturday, March 11th. (Please note change of date.) Ringing 2.30. Service 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea to I. R. Panton, 140, Broomfield Road, Chelmsford (57827). 1012

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. — S.W. District. — Practice meeting at Dagenham, March 11th. Bells (8) from 6.30 p.m.—M. J. Hallett, Dis. Sec. 1013

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — Annual general meeting at Guildford on March 11th. Cathedral bells available at 3 p.m. and after the meeting. Service in the Lady Chapel at 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting in the Cathedral Refectory. Notifications for tea to Mrs. C. W. Munday, 37, Bradford Drive, Ewell, Epsom, by March 9th. (Tel. Ewell 4986.) 1012

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Maidstone District) and **LADIES' GUILD** (annual Branch meeting). — Combined meeting at Staplehurst, on Saturday, March 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss F. Tomlin, Limetrees, Staplehurst.—M. L. H., Dis. Sec. 998

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. — Daventry Branch. — Meeting, Staverton, March 11th. Names for tea to Mrs. S. F. Webb, South View, Staverton, Daventry, by Monday previous.—F. W. Hancock. 1000

SUFFOLK GUILD. — South East District. — A quarterly meeting at Ufford (8). Saturday, March 11th. Ringing 2.30-4.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Ringing 7-9 p.m. All who wish for tea please book with Mrs. Winifred Lockwood, 2, Chalk Pit Cottages, Olfon, near Ipswich, Suffolk, no later than Wednesday, March 8th. Suffolk Guild committee meeting will be held in the hall next to the church at 7 p.m.—W. L., Dis. Sec. 1000

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Annual general meeting on Easter Monday, March 27th, at Maidstone. Service 12 noon, followed by luncheon and meeting. — P. A. Corby, Hon. Gen. Sec. 991

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

Preliminary Notice

Meeting in Northamptonshire on May 20th. Ringing at Kettering, Northampton and Daventry. Lunch will be arranged. Full details later.—J. G. A. Prior. 1009

Mr. R. Kingsley Mason informs us that in his 300 peals he has rung 153 Surprise Major and three Bristol, not one. Also in the peal of Leicestershire Surprise Major (page 103) the composition was by the late Albert J. Pitman, and not as submitted.

ODD VENTURES

Comments on some touches that are different. **THE SINGLE IN SURPRISE METHODS. 1 CAMBRIDGE MINOR YORKSHIRE S.M.**

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CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

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The use of the single in Surprise methods has in recent years become a commonplace procedure; and a device that would, years ago, have caused the purists to uplift disputatious voices has now been quietly accepted.

Whatever the musical advantages secured by this means it can be acknowledged that the single has brought some variety to compositions of Royal and Maximus that have hitherto tended to be somewhat limited in scope. In the case of Surprise Maximus there is the very practical benefit of being able to ring 5,042 changes instead of 5,280.

These touches show the application of the single on a small scale, but they may suggest to the curious some further experiments in the use of this call.

In each case, rounds appears two rows after the backstroke lead at the Wrong. The 1,250 of Yorkshire provides an exact quarter of 5,000, and for securing a convenient quarter peal of Surprise Royal the benefit of the single is obvious.

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HEREFORD GUILD

The annual meeting of the Bridgnorth Branch was held at Bridgnorth on February 4th. Ringing in the afternoon was at St. Mary's and at St. Leonard's in the evening. The service at St. Mary's was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. G. Abel.

Tea, very kindly provided by the wives of St. Leonard's ringers was served in the Old Grammar School. At the subsequent meeting Mr. Alan Jones was re-elected Ringing Master. Mr. Tranter (of Madeley) Deputy Ringing Master, and Mrs. Joan Bennett secretary/treasurer. Mr. A. Elsmore agreed to continue as auditor, and Mr. F. C. A. Bennett Branch member of the Hereford Guild Committee. An encouraging feature of the meeting was the number of young ringers present. J. B.

On the 29th of March 1812	On the 8th of Decr. 1812	On Feby. 7th 1813	On the 20th of Dec. 1813	On the 21st Jany. 1824
Was Perform'd at Godalming in Surrey Mr. Holts Peal of Grandsire Triples Consisting of 5040 Changes in three hours	Was Perform'd at St. Nicholas Church Mr. Holts Peal of Grandsire triples Consisting of 5040 Changes in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes	Was Perform'd at the Holy Trinity Church a Peal of 5040 Changes in 3 hours and eight Minutes an Original of the late Mr. Holt.	Was Perform'd at St. Nicholas A new Compos'd Peal of 5040 Changes with 190 Bobs and 50 Singles in two hours and fifty eight Minutes By	Was Perform'd at St. Nicholas A Peal of Grandsire triples Consisting of 5040 Changes in two hours and forty Seven Minutes By
By Geo. Woods W. Baldwin	By G. Hutton W. Baldwin W. Copus W. Tutton	G. Hutton W. Baldwin W. Copus W. Tutton	G. Hutton G. Aldred W. Copus I. Wilson	G. Aldred J. Spencer J. Cearn W. Baldwin
Other names obliterated	Conducted By	On Sept. 21 Was Perform'd at the Holy Trinity Church a 1268 or Quarter Peal of Stedman's Principles Forty five Minutes 1826	Wm. Baldwin	H. Copus G. Southcliff I. Wilson

A painted board with a red border was recently found at the Whitechapel Bell Foundry containing the above five peals rung in West Surrey about 150 years ago. They were all conducted by William Baldwin whose age is given as 22 in the peal painted on the wall of Holy Trinity belfry, Guildford. Some names have been obliterated by age.

ABERYSTWYTH, CARDS.—On the steps of Capel Seilo, on February 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. E. P. Watkins 1, M. H. Tompsett 2, I. G. Pickard 3, J. Wilson 4, J. G. Cole 5, J. T. Caudron (cond.) 6. Believed to be the first quarter peal "stepped" in Wales (in the manner suggested in the book "Change Ringing Disentangled"). Donations to the Royal National Institute for the Blind will be gratefully received by the Rag Committee, University College of Wales, Aberystwyth.

BARHAM, KENT.—On Jan. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Judith Brooks 1, R. A. Birch 2, Elizabeth Todd (cond.) 3, K. Butler 4, B. G. Butcher 5.

BATH, SOMERSET.—At the Church of St. Michael w. St. Paul, on Feb. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Webber 1, Miss C. J. Mitchell 2, J. G. Hobbs 3, A. Swatton 4, G. J. Hawkins (cond.) 5, D. C. Hawkins 6, P. J. Devrell 7, B. Saril 8. By the Sunday service band.

BATTERSEA, LONDON.—On Feb. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. J. Cooles 1, E. E. Dodds 2, Miss R. J. Henderson 3, Miss S. C. Thexton 4, Miss R. J. Cotton 5, C. M. Meyer 6, J. R. Pratt (cond.) 7, A. J. Taylor 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of George A. Barber, for 50 years a ringer at this church.

BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.—On Feb. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: May Wingrove 1, H. Wingrove (cond.) 2, Dorothy R. Fletcher 3, Mrs. B. Wood 4, E. H. Langley 5, H. J. Wingrove (first "inside") 6, A. Bridges 7, Captain D. Wood (first quarter) 8. For Evensong.

BIDDENDEN, KENT.—On Jan. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: F. Goodearle 1, Carole Wood 2, A. Bourner 3, R. Benstead 4, B. Johnson (cond.) 5, L. Leney 6. On the back six. Also on Jan. 31st, 1,260 P.B. Minor: D. Dury 1, A. Bourner 2, Carole Wood 3, H. Deacon 4, F. Goodearle 5, B. Johnson (cond.) 6, L. Leney (cover) 8. Also on Feb. 7th, 1,260 May Day Doubles: F. Goodearle 1, E. Clifton 2, A. Bourner 3, H. Deacon 4, B. Johnson (cond.) 5, D. Blackman 6. First in method for all.

BLAKENHALL HEATH, STAFFS.—On Feb. 6th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Margaret Westwood 1, N. White 2, M. J. Mulvey 3, J. N. P. Burton 4, C. Bainham (cond.) 5. For the induction of the new Vicar, the Rev. R. A. Cason. Believed to be the first quarter on the bells for 14 years.

BREWOOD, STAFFS.—On Jan. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. Illidge 1, D. Hawksworth 2, L. Roberts 3, G. Askew (first "inside") 4, R. Broughton 5, D. Hidden (first "inside") 6, R. Hawksworth (cond.) 7, C. Allsop 8. For Christian Unity service. Also on Feb. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss C. Moss (first quarter) 1, D. Hawksworth 2, C. Dumbell 3, W. Allsop 4, G. Askew 5, D. Hidden 6, R. Hawksworth (cond.) 7, C. Allsop 8. For Evensong.

BUCKLAND NEWTON, DORSET.—On Feb. 7th, 1,260 Doubles (P.B. and Grandsire): A. J. Lewis 1, Rev. R. N. Longridge 2, B. Ridout 3, E. T. P. Field (cond.) 4, Rev. C. J. B. Marshall 5, R. J. Hunt 6. To commemorate the centenary of the birth of the late Rev. E. S. Field, father of the conductor and Vicar of Buckland Newton from 1907-1936.

CHIPPING NORTON, OXON.—On Feb. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Francis 1, S. Pulker 2, D. Grant (first "inside") 3, I. Harris 4, R. Jarvis 5, J. Benfield 6, M. Sinden (cond.) 7, C. Tompkins 8. For Evensong.

QUARTER PEALS

CROYDON, SURREY.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist, on Jan. 7th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: C. M. Foster 1, Miss J. Stoy 2, Miss C. Snelling 3, N. G. T. Steere 4, R. C. Stevens (cond.) 5, N. Thomson 6, N. S. Baxworth 7, K. Taber 8. Rung after an ill-fated peal attempt on the light eight to mark the 100th anniversary of the great fire which destroyed the old Parish Church on the night of January 5th, 1867.

DEDDINGTON, OXON.—On Feb. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: T. J. King (first of Triples) 1, M. W. Sayers 2, P. R. Davies 3, G. R. J. Berry 4, A. W. Ivings 5, W. Ivings 6, C. C. Clarke (cond.) 7, J. K. Pratley 8. A 21st birthday compliment to Alec W. Ivings.

DEVIZES, WILTS.—At St. John's, on Jan. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss R. Watts (first Triples) 1, T. Grant 2, Miss J. Watts (first "inside") 3, W. Mortimer 4, S. Weeks (cond.) 5, W. Bevan 6, D. Bailey 7, F. Cannings (first Triples) 8. For first United Anglican service in Devizes.

EALING, MIDDXX.—At St. Mary's Church, on Feb. 5th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. G. Wilson 1, A. H. Fulwell 2, A. M. Stacey 3, Miss J. Murphy 4, P. Felton 5, J. S. M. Porter 6, M. Sprackling (cond.) 7, N. F. Felton 8. For morning service.

EGERTON, KENT.—On Jan. 7th, 1,260 Single Oxford Bob Minor: Sylvia Knight 1, E. Clifton 2, A. Bourner 3, P. Miller 4, H. Deacon 5, B. Johnson (cond.) 6.

FAWLEY, HANTS.—On Jan. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. G. Wills 1, Susan V. Banks 2, Elizabeth A. Banks 3, R. H. Roberts 4, L. D. Smith 5, R. Allinson (first as cond.) 6.

GARBOLDISHAM, NORFOLK.—On Jan. 25th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Mrs. A. Foreman 1, T. G. Boast 2, R. Filby 3, D. Boast 4, A. Foreman (cond.) 5, S. Flaيمان 6. Rung as a welcome to and for the induction of the Rev. V. C. Sharpe.

GNOSALL, STAFFS.—On Jan. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss V. Keay 1, G. Keay 2, Miss B. Wiggan 3, B. G. Key 4, I. Friend (cond.) 5, G. Hall 6. Rung half-muffled as a token of respect to Mrs. Dyke, aged 91, mother of the tower captain.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.—At the Church of Holy Trinity, on Feb. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (tenor covering): T. W. White 1, Janet E. Cleeve 2, W. Savill 3, J. A. Collier 4, M. J. Kirk 5, D. J. Tubbs (cond.) 6, F. E. Sewell (first quarter) 8. For evening Communion, Ash Wednesday.

HAWKLEY, HANTS.—On Feb. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Tipper 1, Margaret Chennell-White 2, Julia Piggott 3, Mary White 4, D. Hatherley 5, C. Chennell-White 6, R. Corke (cond.) 7, K. Tipper 8.

INGHAM, SUFFOLK.—On Feb. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: K. G. H. Fisk (first quarter) 1, M. J. Drury 2, Janet I. Rogers 3, R. H. Rogers (cond.) 4, R. J. Ellis 5.

KINGSBURY EPISCOPI, SOMERSET.—On Feb. 9th, 1,260 Minor (Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob): H. G. Westlake 1, Mrs. D. G. Mayell 2, Mrs. D. M. Crocker 3, D. G. Mayell 4, R. Parker 5, F. J. White (cond.) 6.

LAMBERHURST, KENT.—On Jan. 19th, 1,260 Minor (Single Oxford and Plain Bob): D. Dury 1, Sylvia Knight 2, Brenda Davies 3, N. J. Davies 4, E. Clifton 5, B. Johnson (cond.) 6.

MARSTON, OXON.—On Feb. 5th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: R. H. Jones 1, Miss M. Bird 2, A. Gammon 3, N. D. Deam 4, L. R. Porter 5. First Stedman 4 and 5. Rung non-conducted. As a "welcome home" to the Vicar, Rev. P. N. Rimmer, on his return from America.

MIDHURST, SUSSEX.—On Feb. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss M. Burn (first quarter) 1, R. Wake 2, Mrs. I. L. Wake 3, M. J. Wake 4, P. M. Wills (first as cond.) 5, J. Charlton 6.

PETERSFIELD, HANTS.—On Feb. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Wendy Roberts (13 years, first quarter) 1, D. Hatherley 2, R. Tipper 3, K. Sansom 4, B. Walton (cond.) 5, A. Beisworth 6. For Evensong.

QUEEN CAMEL, SOMERSET.—On Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: R. P. Selway 1, G. W. Rendell 2, V. J. Farthing 3, D. S. Beaufoy 4, T. A. Cross (cond.) 5, W. E. Turner 6.

RODBOURNE CHENEY, WILTS.—On Jan. 29th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss J. Humphries (first quarter) 1, D. Dancy 2, C. Richards 3, D. White 4, M. A. New (cond.) 5, W. F. Broughion 6. A farewell to Rev. J. O. Smith, on his leaving for a new appointment in Bradford.

ST. NICHOLAS-AT-WADE, KENT.—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Margaret Jones 1, P. Staples 2, A. Bourner 3, P. Richardson 4, E. Clifton 5, B. Johnson (cond.) 6.

STANDLAKE, OXON.—On Jan. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: E. D. Patching 1, Miss S. Holden 2, H. Miles 3, A. E. Hicks 4, N. I. Bridges 5, D. Floyd (cond.) 6. Rung for the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A. Cantwell.

SUTTON-ON-HULL, YORKS.—On Feb. 4th, 1,272 Treble Bob Minor (Oxford and Kent): Gwynneth C. Ducker (first quarter) 1, Iris Piner 2, Linda Sherwood 3, Maris Stephenson (first "inside") 4, T. W. Thirkell 5, R. Ducker (cond.) 6.

THURCASTON, LEICS.—On Jan. 28th, 1,260 Doubles 11 methods: Josephine E. Flint (first quarter, aged 11) 1, M. D. Barsby 2, B. S. Payne (cond.) 3, J. M. Morley 4, M. G. Godwin 5, F. T. Bindley 6.

WEST BROMWICH, STAFFS.—At All Saints', on Feb. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Christine Turner 1, N. Hadley 2, Frances M. Baraclough 3, J. Sheldon 4, M. Turner (cond.) 5, C. Williams 6, H. F. Baraclough 7, F. Pickering 8. Rung half-muffled as a token of respect for Mr. William David Peart, a ringer at this church since 1898 and a chorister for over fifty years, whose funeral was this day.

WIGGENHALL ST. MARY MAGDALEN, NORFOLK.—On Jan. 30th, 1,440 Minor (Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob): D. Gagen 1, W. Cousins 2, J. Fox (cond.) 3, R. Newson 4, H. Follen 5, C. Cousins 6. For induction of Rev. Mr. Greenland to Magdalen.

WITNEY, OXON.—On Jan. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Clarke 1, L. Oliffe 2, F. Soden 3, T. Hester 4, D. K. Adkins (cond.) 5, D. Smith 6, B. J. Coggins 7, E. Townsend 8. Rung half-muffled in remembrance Canon R. F. Bale, M.A., F.S.A., Rector of this parish, 1942-1959.

WRINGTON, SOMERSET.—On Feb. 5th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: H. W. Knight (cond.) 1, P. Anne Kingcott 2, H. H. Yeates 3, A. E. Ferris 4, A. E. Cox 5, Ruth Ball 6, M. M. Collins 7, E. T. Lee 8, W. H. Kingcott 9, M. Board 10. A farewell to the Rector, Preb. B. T. Leigh, by members of the Sunday service band.

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