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A BISHOP'S BELL INSPIRED VERSES

By the Rev. A. S. Roberts

IT was a happy thought to publish the carol 'The Cornish Bells' in 'The Ringing World' just prior to the visit of the Central Council to Cornwall, and we should be grateful to Mrs. P. J. Staniforth for bringing it to light. The verses have been rightly attributed to the late Rt. Rev. C. W. Stubbs, fourth Bishop of Truro, by various correspondents. The carol, with others from time to time, was first published in the New York 'Outlook,' and all were set to music by the Bishop's son-in-law, the late Dr. T. Tertius Noble, organist of York Minster. Twelve carols with music appeared in a publication called The Truro Carol Book in 1911.

Until the appointment a few years ago of the present Dean (the Very Rev. H. M. Lloyd) the Bishop of Truro had also filled the office of Dean. It was during Bishop Stubbs' reign that the two western towers and spires were built and the ring of ten bells installed. He carried out the great dedication service on June 21st, 1910. It is evident that bells appealed to him—as the bell carol alone signifies, but there are other verses written by the Bishop which I came across some years ago. These may be of special interest to those who so recently visited Truro, as well as to others.

The first little poem is headed 'Truro Cathedral. From the Terrace at Lis Escop.' This Lis Escop was, until about ten years ago, the Bishop's Palace, but it is now a part of the Cathedral School. It is adjoining Kenwyn Churchyard, from which an almost similar view can be had. Many will remember the lovely view through the archway of trees of the Cathedral with the River Fal beyond from Kenwyn Church. These lines make reference to the late Archbishop Benson, first Bishop of Truro, who laid the foundation stone of the Cathedral in 1880. They run:—

Oh look! the Minster towers are red with gold,
With sunset gold, a shaft sped from afar
Through cleft in purple hills; above, one star,
The first of night, gleams o'er the waters cold,
Where Truro River seeks the sea; enrolled
In darkening mists the great church stands; a bar
Of light engilds its spire's high cross, and far
The evening bell calls to the guarded fold.
And here he stood, the man who dreamt this dream,
And fired the heart of Cornwall with his thought
Three decades since. Today his dream is fact.
Father in God! I, too, redream thy dream,
But God in mercy grant the mercy sought
That all thy dream I yet may see crowned fact.

A note by Bishop Stubbs with the verses says they were 'Written during a period of convalescence in 1910. Dedicated to the people of Cornwall.' It was in 1910 that King

George V was crowned, and for that occasion the new bells were rung, their lovely tones rising to the Terrace at Lis Escop, and the Bishop wrote these lines:—

CORONATION BELLS

Nursery Rhyme

The King and the Queen in a carriage of gold
Ride forth to be crowned in the Abbey so old;
Clash merrily, bells, with your ding-dong!
Archbishops and Bishops all kneel in a row.
The Lords and the Ladies make homage full low:

Hurrah for the King with his Crown on!
The trumpets they sound and the people do shout,
Oh that is the way that the thing comes about:
Clash merrily, bells, with your ding-dong.

While you and I, baby, cry 'God bless the King'!
May God bless the King with his crown on!

There are some other fascinating little verses with an evident pun in the first verse. This time the inspiration is not from the new spires of the Cathedral but 'from the old grey tower' of Kenwyn Church just over the fence which divides it from Lis Escop.

TO I. B. V.

Aged 6 years

Is a bird singing,
Is a bell ringing,
Isobel Bessie?

Bird singeth gaily,
Bell ringeth daily,
Joy to thee Bessie.

Yes, in a leafy bower,

Joy from the far land.

Yes, from the old grey tower,

Joy from the star land.

Bird and bell, Bessie.

Angels guard o'er thee.

Happy and holy,

True, sweet and lowly,

Pray God to make thee,

Isobel Bessie.

It is not only in verse that reference has been made to bells as heard from the Terrace of Lis Escop, for in the Life of Bishop Frere, C. S. Phillips, in a chapter on 'August at Lis Escop,' says: 'As a "holiday home" the house could hardly have been better. Its situation on the hillside lifted it well above the City of Truro, and its garden was a beautiful place, though Frere himself had none of the gardening enthusiasm of his predecessor, Bishop C. W. Stubbs, and of his successor, Bishop Hunkin, who have done so much to make it what it is. From one corner of the terrace there is an exquisite view of the Cathedral, and on Sundays and practice nights the sonorous tones of its magnificent old bells could be heard rising from below.' These bells, not so old at 54 years, were heard at their best during the recent visit of the Council, and are now to be assured an active future for, thanks to the Dean and Chapter, it is expected that they will be rehung in readiness for Christmas.

O Cornish bells, ring far, ring free,
Ring 'Gloria tibi Domine!'

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Master's Encouraging Review

THE experiment suggested at the last A.G.M., of holding the annual meeting away from Brighton, proved very successful when the 79th A.G.M. of the Sussex County Association was held at East Grinstead on May 9th. It was the largest attendance for many years.

Ringling had been arranged by the Northern Division in towers around East Grinstead for those ringers travelling from other Divisions. A wedding, however, necessitated the service being delayed until 5 p.m. This was conducted by the Rev. H. C. F. Copey (Vicar), who, in his welcome, said he was pleased to see such a wonderful turn-out which included many young ringers. The local band was praised for the efforts so far to raise the necessary money to augment the ring of eight to ten bells.

Approximately 140 sat down to tea in the Church Hall arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Hicks, and the business meeting followed, with the Master (Mr. A. V. Johnson) in the chair. He thanked Mr. Copey for taking the service and extended a welcome to the Revs. M. R. Newman (Warnham), P. L. Scott (Withyham) and I. Paton-Hunter (Danehill). Also welcomed were two vice-presidents—Messrs. S. E. Armstrong and L. Stilwell, and ringing friends from the East Grinstead and District Guild and the Kent and Surrey Associations.

The meeting stood in silence for those members who had passed away during 1963—Messrs. E. Truster, H. Stalham and F. Weller.

After the minutes of the 78th A.G.M. had been signed, the Master's report was presented. This recorded marked progress in all parts of the county. The standard of ringing at meetings had, in his opinion, steadily improved and attendance had been generally good. Ringing for Sunday service had been fairly well maintained and the bells in the county were generally good. Improvements had been carried out at several places, notably the new 'eight' at St. Clement's, Hastings. The resignation of Mr. R. G. Blackman from the office of honorary treasurer for health reasons was regretted. On the proposition of Mr. Swift, seconded by Mr. G. Francis, the report was accepted.

In the treasurer's absence the balance sheet was accepted subject to audit.

The peal secretary (Mr. P. Romney), in his report, recorded 64 peals rung during 1963, one less than the previous year. Nineteen ringers were congratulated on ringing their first peal.

One resident member and three non-resident were elected.

ELECTIONS

The president (the Bishop of Chichester) and the vice-presidents were re-elected en bloc, and also the Master, the general secretary (Mr. R. W. R. Percy), the peal secretary and the honorary auditors (Messrs. A. Bond and W. A. Riddington). The new honorary treasurer, Mr. A. Hunnisett, was unable to attend meetings and it was decided to elect Mr. W. Leslie Neller in his place. The Master undertaking to write to Mr. Hunnisett to explain the position and have the books forwarded to the auditors.

A letter had been received from one of the trustees, Mr. C. B. Tomkins, who wished to resign owing to his retirement from business. Mr. F. I. Hairs was elected in his place. The honorary general secretary was asked to send a suitable letter of thanks for his many years of service to the Association.

SUBSCRIPTION

A proposition had been received from the Northern Division as follows: "That in Rule III, Section 3, the sentence referring to subscriptions be altered to read, "Ringing Mem-

bers shall subscribe 5s. annually or 2s. 6d. annually if under the age of 18 years."

Mr. Peter Romney put forward the General Committee's recommendation that the present rule remains for a further year so that the Association can review the financial result.

The present proposition would then come up again for discussion at the 1965 A.G.M. This was carried.

The committee had agreed that the affiliation fee would be abolished as soon as circumstances permitted.

The Southern Division submitted the following proposals:

(a) 'That the grant of £5 towards bell restoration be increased to a maximum of £25, any grant must be approved by the General Committee.—It was decided to leave this over to the 1965 A.G.M.

(b) 'That a committee be set up to revise the "Form of Service" used at Association meetings.—It was decided to form a committee comprising one representative from each Division (to be elected at their next quarterly meetings) and two clergy. The committee would appoint its own convener.

(c) 'That the Association extend an invitation to the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers to meet at Brighton in 1966.

It was decided that in view of the C.C. visit to Eastbourne in 1951 the invitation was premature at the moment.

DINNER PLANNED

Mr. Bernard Matthews (Western Division) suggested that the 80th anniversary of the Association in 1965 should be commemorated by holding a dinner. A committee, under Mr. Matthews, formed by the Western Division, would look into the matter with a view to holding the same in Brighton. If it was found that the arrangements could be completed in time, their findings would be sent to each Division before their next quarterly meetings.

Mrs. S. Knight (Burgess Hill) said that the honour of life membership had in the past only been conferred on members when they were too old to enjoy same. She proposed that the Master (Mr. R. V. Johnson) and the honorary general secretary (Mr. R. W. R. Percy) be made life members, in view of the service they had given and were giving to the Association. This was seconded by Mr. Brown and carried.

RUISLIP CAPTAIN RETIRING

Mr. Tom Collins, captain of the ringers at St. Martin's, Ruislip, for the past 10 years, is retiring from that office shortly, but will continue as a member of the band. Now 76 years of age, Mr. Collins can look back on 60 years' service as a ringer at St. Martin's. When Tom joined his uncle, the late Mr. Bill Collins, was captain and another uncle, the late Mr. Harry Collins, was a member of the band.

Apart from ringing, Mr. Collins and his cousin, the late Mr. Billy Bunce (also a ringer), were winders of the church clock. They started this job in 1922, and did it together until 1954, when Mr. Bunce died. Since then Mr. Collins has done the work with the help of Mr. Bill Bunce junior. A retired farmer, Mr. Collins and his wife celebrated their golden wedding last year. They live at 165, Linden Avenue, Ruislip.

Ruislip bell's go back 500 years. The six were recast by Thomas Mears for £146 in 1801, and in 1888 were recast and augmented to eight by John Warner. After the 1914-18 war the bells were rehung, the fourth, fifth and tenor being recast and the others quarter turned by Mears and Stainbank.

BATH & WELLS ASSOCIATION

Chew Branch Striking Competition

Following the success of the trial competition held by the Branch last year, it was decided to make this an annual event. The rules remained unaltered (a test piece of 120 Doubles or Minor—preceded by not more than two minutes' unmarked rounds). Bands who habitually united for Sunday service ringing could enter a combined team.

Mr. Albert Tyler, of Bristol, acted as judge at Nempnett Thurbwell on May 23rd. Over 50 ringers adjourned to Butcombe Parish Hall for tea at the conclusion of the ringing after which Mr. Tyler gave his comments and placed the teams as follows: 1 Nailsea and Backwell, 47 faults; 2 Winford and Chew Magna, 52 faults; 3 Portbury, 54 faults; 4 Portishead, 56 faults; 5 Yatton, 57 faults; 6 Wraxall, 62 faults; 7 Wrington, 64 faults.

New Rate for Postal Subscribers

In accordance with the announcement made at the Central Council meeting at Truro a new rate will operate for postal subscribers renewing their subscriptions or enrolling as new members as from July 3rd. The increase is equivalent to 2s. per annum, and the new rates will be: 3 months 10s.; 6 months 19s.; 12 months £1 17s. Substantial reductions are allowed for subsequent copies.

STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY

Thanks to the excellent organisation of the local company, a newly formed and progressive company captained by Mr. Remi Hodister, the society had a most successful meeting at St. Leonard's, Bilston, on June 9th.

The ringing room was full all the time the eight bells were available, and the society's form of Evensong was conducted by the Vicar, prior to the excellent tea provided by the willing lady helpers.

The meal over, the secretary asked that any alterations or other copy for the next annual report should be submitted as soon as possible, and also requested that all members should please co-operate with the treasurer more this year, by getting subscriptions paid up as soon as possible. Mr. J. H. Allen gave notice that he was proposing to alter rule 7, by the deletion of the word 'annual.' The following new members were elected: President, Rev. M. S. Hart (Wednesbury). J. Sheldon (All Saints', West Bromwich). J. Smith (Codsall), Miss D. J. Hargreaves and D. J. Large (Great Barr).

The meeting closed with general thanks to all who had contributed to this enjoyable visit to Bilston. C. M. S.

Ringers' Sunday at Shipbourne

The newly-formed band at Shipbourne, Kent, held a Ringers' Sunday on May 31st. Besides the local ringers, others were present from Tonbridge, Hadlow and Croydon. The congregation at Evensong were rung into church by the ringing of handbells, and at the end of the service the handbells were again rung in place of the organ. A display of books was on show, including material kindly supplied by Mears and Stainbank. The congregation were invited into the belfry afterwards, when the art of change ringing was explained to them.

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NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION

Favoured with glorious weather, upwards of 80 members, friends and visiting ringers were present at Barmouth for the annual meeting of the North Wales Association on May 30th.

For most of the member it meant a long but delightful journey through magnificent scenery via Bala and Dolgelly, where several good touches were rung on the recently restored ring of eight.

Then on to Barmouth for lunch and further ringing, followed by a service in church, conducted by the president (Chancellor Dr. Alun Thomas). The address was given by the Rev. Trevor Evans, who welcomed the members and said it was many years since a meeting was last held at Barmouth.

Tea was served in the Church Hall, and followed by the subsequent business meeting, presided over by the president and supported by the Ringing Master and secretary. Towers represented were Mold, Hone, Buckley, Flint, Wrexham, Machynlleth, Rhyl, Llangollen, Dolgelly, Portmadoc, Barmouth and Chester, with visitors from Liverpool, Wolstanton and Dudley.

The president opened the meeting by thanking the Rev. Trevor Evans for a very inspiring address at the service. He based his opening remarks on the word 'Rejoice'. Taking each letter individually he said R stood for ringing being recreative and refreshing, E for the earnestness and ebullience of ringers, J for joy in fellowship, O for order and organisation, and pride in the association, I for intelligence required and sharpness of mind and body, C for character forming, and E for exercise and education.

Officers elected for the ensuing year were: President, Chancellor Dr. Alun Thomas; Ringing Master, Mr. F. R. Evans; honorary secretary and treasurer, Mr. W. Cathrall. District secretaries: Wrexham, Dr. E. V. Woodcock; Bangor and Rhyl, Mr. J. S. Allenby; District instructors, Mr. F. R. Evans and Mr. J. S. Allenby; honorary auditor, Mr. W. H. Lewis; Central Council representative, Dr. E. V. Woodcock.

It was decided to hold the next half-yearly meeting at Abergele on September 5th, and the annual meeting in 1965 at Wrexham on the Saturday after Whitsun.

Twenty new members were elected, which included sixteen from Dolgelly.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. A. Bailey to the ladies for providing an excellent tea, and Mr. Harris Barmouth for the arrangements. Mr. D. H. B. Millward thanked the president.

REACTION AFTER WASHINGTON VISIT

Mr. Harold A. Pittow has received the following letter from Mr. Rick Dirksen, who is in charge of the Washington tower.

'The interest in change ringing which has come about since you left is amazing. A number of women are forming change ringing groups (handbell) and the boys and men who ring here at the Cathedral have made remarkable strides forward. My job has suddenly become much more demanding, but likewise much easier. At least they know what I am talking about now.'

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

A quarterly meeting of Hereford District at Wellington on May 23rd, was attended by ringers from Wellington, Bridstow, Fownhope, Burghill, Bodenham, Holmer, the Cathedral, All Saints' (Hereford) and St. Nicholas' (Hereford).

An hour's ringing at St. Margaret's Church was followed by a service conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. W. Price-Johns. Tea in the Memorial Hall was followed by a short business meeting which was presided over by the Vicar.

Four new members from Peterchurch and one from the Cathedral were enrolled.

Meetings for the next quarter: Eaton Bishop, Lugwardine and Clodock; annual bellringing contest October 10th.

F. M.

ROBIN AND GILLIAN MARRIED



TWO of the most ardent peal ringers in the Exercise, Mr. Robin G. Leale, of Surbiton, and Dr. Gillian Ann Neal Smith, of Twickenham, were married at St. Matthias' Church, Richmond, on May 30th. It was a happy combination of bells and music. In the morning a peal of Cambridge Surprise Major was rung at the Church of All Hallows, Twickenham which is the bride's and her father's regular tower.

The bride is the senior chorister at St. Matthias' Church, where her father, Dr. D. J. Neal Smith, is organist and the 35-strong choir sang during the signing of the register Sir Hubert Parry's anthem, 'I was glad'.

The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. D. Landreth) and the Rev. G. W.

Groves, godfather of the bride. Dr. Arthur Pritchard was organist. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a long dress of oyster slipper satin with a lace coat and train, and carried a bouquet of cream roses. Her sister, Miss Susan Neal Smith, and the Misses Lesley Wilcock and Caroline Bennett (cousins) were the bridesmaids, and Mr. W. Deason was best man.

The reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, 93, Cole Park Road, Twickenham. Among the ringers present were Miss John Rock, Michael Moreton, A. P. Cannon, Wilfred Williams, Fred Scott and Keith Ward.

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NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

When the Northern Branch held an interim meeting at Wiveton on May 23rd, a warm welcome was extended by the Rector, the Rev. A. M. Gamble, who said it was just five years since the meeting scheduled there had had to be cancelled at short notice owing to the dangerous state of the roof. This he was pleased to say had been put in order.

About 50 members and friends sat down to an enjoyable tea, which had been provided by Mr. W. R. West and Mrs. Mabel Francis Gidney. The band were pleased to meet the churchwardens Miss Helen Barclay and Miss J. M. Gosselin.

Great interest has been taken in ringing by boys from the Gresham School, thanks to Mr. P. Cattermole, during his brief stay at the school, and who is now back at university. Handbells were rung both by professionals and the boys, and from rounds to London on the six tower bells.

Bale bells were sampled by a few. Astonishment was on all faces when the ringer of the third left the floor for a matter of six feet when the stay broke. On examination of the bells there was evidence of the amount of work that had been put in by these lads to get the bells ringable. Less towers would be silent if the enthusiasm of these boys was widespread.

The president, Mr. F. N. Golden, proposed the vote of thanks.

THE LADIES' GUILD

It was cloudy, windless and hot when the Ladies' Guild met at Elstree on May 30th. We were quite glad of the light weight of the six, even though ringing did not begin promptly. The Rector, the Rev. L. Wood, conducted the service—his survey of the history of the church was most interesting, for the present building gives little sign of the antiquity of its predecessors.

After an excellent tea Mrs. K. Lock acted as secretary in Miss Spreadbury's absence for the business meeting. The next 'fifth Sat' being at the end of August, most people felt that it would be better to cancel ours, and possibly to combine with a territorial association which would be faced with the same problem of many members on holiday. There was no doubt where we would be welcome for the October meeting: the Vicar, the hall and the bells have been booked already at St. John the Baptist, Croydon, for the 31st. It is delightful to feel that someone is so keen to have us come. A fortnight before is the joint Middlesex, Oxford and Ladies' Guild meeting at Hillingdon.

New members elected were: The Misses B. Goodspeed, C. Folkes, F. Dodds (all of St. Albans) and D. Robotham (Finchley), with one associate non-ringing member, Mrs. Leach (Ruislip). A discussion on optional two guinea life memberships took place; the subject will be raised again. After many thanks to the Rector and Mr. Hyde, the members went to South Mymms for more ringing.

J. S.

Letters to the Editor

Inconsistencies

Dear Sir.—May I, as a comparative newcomer to ringing, be allowed to make a few comments on the subject of lead ends/lead heads. To me the terms as used in recent correspondence seem to be bristling with inconsistencies.

Mr. McClenahan, Mr. Hodgson and Mr. Baldwin all refer to the treble handstroke lead row as the 'lead end' and the treble backstroke lead row as the 'lead head' (pages 324, 356 and 340 respectively), but it is evident from Mr. C. A. Lewis' letter (page 324) and from common usage as observed in my own short experience, not to mention volumes of past literature, that the backstroke row is generally known as the 'lead end.' The situation becomes even more complex when Mr. A. York-Bramble goes on to elaborate on twin-hunt methods. May I ask what happens when we have a method with two treble bob hunts, such as *Surfleet Surprise Caters*? Does the lead end then come when the treble dodges with the other hunt bell?

The inconsistency is made worse because several C.C. publications refer to the backstroke row as the 'lead end,' among them 'An Elementary Handbook for Beginners in the Art of Change Ringing' (see the text on Bob Minimus page 5) published as late as 1962. Snowdon can hardly be blamed for this!

However, there does seem to be some well founded justification for sticking to the term 'lead end,' apart from its obvious long standing.

Ringing always commences and finishes with rounds, and changes commence at the command 'Go next (handstroke).' Thus (practically speaking) if the lead commences at handstroke it must end at backstroke. This is also consistent with the bells being pulled off at handstroke and set, at the termination of ringing, after the backstroke pull (referred to as 'set at handstroke,' being thus ready to be pulled off again at handstroke). This impression receives support from the punctuation given to ringing by open lead ringing. One would surely expect the interval to come at the lead end.

The usage 'lead end' is also in line with the terms 'course end' and 'part end' which should also be changed to 'course head' and 'part head' if 'lead head' is to be adopted.

One wonders why the term 'lead end' should be applied to the handstroke row since no practical use seems to be made of this row, and therefore there is no necessity for it to be named any more than other rows in the lead. There seems to be no reason why the backstroke row should not be referred to as both 'the lead end' and 'the lead head' being the row to which one lead progresses and the row from which the succeeding lead starts, and whichever term is used this is the sense in which it is to be understood, and which, I believe, is the way all ringers understand it.

To bring another hunt bell into the argument is surely unnecessary. Such a bell is in the hunt only until such time as a call is made and in this respect does not differ in character from the bell which returns to its own place again at the end of each lead in the thirty-six Doubles methods with a three lead plain course, in Section III of Collection of Doubles Methods. *Grandsire*, *Antelope*, etc., could well have been included in Section IIIb being merely special cases of methods with a three lead plain course.

I am bound to agree with Mr. C. A. Lewis, in his request for the dividing line to be drawn below the backstroke row, since

whether 'lead end' or 'lead head,' it is the most important row and by this alone deserves to be underlined. I find the 'improved' method harder to read. In fact, referring to the 'Doubles Methods' collection, the setting out of the New *Grandsire* and New *Antelope* series is not clear, and cannot be so by the system adopted unless two complete leads are given since the first 'lead' (as given) contains only nine rows when one would expect ten. This would not be so bad if some explanation were given, such as is given in Mr. A. York-Bramble's letter.

Speaking again as one who has taken up bellringing in middle age, these inconsistencies do not make things any easier for the beginner. Could we not have a move toward greater consistency and therefore toward greater simplicity? In doing so, let it be remembered that to change time-honoured terms and methods more often than not leads to greater complication rather than simplicity.—Yours faithfully,

LATE STARTER

P.S.—Mr. McClenahan introduces a further inconsistency in wanting to call rounds the zero-th lead head. Rounds is at the head of the first lead and should therefore be the first lead head.—L. S.

Congratulations, Truro

Dear Sir.—I was one of the members who complained at the Central Council last year and asked for more ringing arrangements for those who stay on with their families for the week.

May I through the columns of 'The Ringing World' congratulate the Truro Diocesan Guild on the ringing arrangements in the Truro district.

Many members and families made this their holiday and ringing was available or easily obtainable up to Friday. Thanks are due to those who made the arrangements and to the clergy who even at short notice made their bells available. Good show.—Yours, etc.,

Eastbourne.

R. W. R. PERCY.

Peal Renamed

Dear Sir.—Following the Central Council meeting's adoption of the Records Committee's report I give notice that the method named *Godmanchester* will now be known by its original name, i.e., *Westray Surprise Major*. All those concerned, please note.—Yours faithfully,

Cambridge.

G. E. THODAY.

In and Out of Course

Dear Sir.—May I suggest this, as an easier method of determining whether rows are in course or out of course than the one illustrated by John C. Baldwin (page 340).

To ascertain whether any row is positive or negative, we add the number of times a lower number succeeds a higher number in any row.

1 is less than 4.	2.	= 2
3 is less than 6.	4.	= 2
5 is less than 8.	6.	= 2
7 is less than 8.		= 1

Total 7

Seven is an odd number and the row is therefore out of course.

This can be done mentally with little effort. The theory is explained in an article on Determinants (Enc Britt, 1910).—Yours faithfully,

Basingstoke.

MICHAEL S. HOLBROOK.

Nomenclature to boost Conductors' Ego

Dear Sir.—After the Central Council meeting at Truro I was discussing with my wife (not a ringer) the motion put by Mr. Bayles concerning nomenclature and classification of methods and she said, 'Why not name them after the "inventors" of the methods?' I pointed out that all the really good basic methods had been 'invented' years ago and that these new ones were mainly variations which it was only a matter of 'peeling' before naming them.

She then made the (I thought) bright suggestion that methods be named after the conductor of the peal concerned, with the addition of a number where necessary (where a conductor 'bags' more than one).

Since the main objections raised at the C.C. meeting were: (a) to nomenclature by numbers and/or symbols only, and (b) to ridiculous names, this idea seems to have certain advantages as follows:

(1) There would be no chance of running out of method names. You would possibly get 'Fred Smith 6 Surprise Major,' 'Fred Smith 14 Surprise Major' and 'Fred Smith 6 Surprise Royal,' but to those persons interested in ringing them they would clearly be different methods.

(2) You'd have a job finding ringers called *Ob* or *Xerxes* names, which bring the present system to ridicule. (Noms de plume would not be permitted.) Thus all new method names would be of normal length and easily pronounceable.

(3) It might boost the ego of those conductors who like ringing new methods and they would possibly vie with one another for the highest number after their name.

(4) With or without 'official' sanction there is, as far as I can see, nothing to prevent someone who thinks well of the idea starting to use it as from now.

The only difficulty would be where two conductors called Bill Smith both adopted this scheme, but no doubt a way round this could be found. (Consider the number of years that no one confused John Freeman with John A. Freeman.) Anyway, I am putting the idea forward for consideration—it could possibly be elaborated a little to also indicate the type of method—and should the committees of the Central Council who are concerned with this sort of thing consider it worth adopting, it could possibly be made 'official' next year.—Yours, etc.,

W. H. VIGGERS.

Aldershot.

Winchester's 'New' Bell

Dear Sir.—In the picture on page 339 the wooden objects projecting upwards from the headstock are not, as might at first be thought, some fiendish double stay, but the remains of the wheel. The stay is that curious 'spur' shaped attachment at the other end of the headstock and it was designed to engage with the iron strip projecting upwards from the frame member level with the waist of the bell. I have not seen this type anywhere else: can anyone say whose design it is, and whether there are still samples of it in use?

With regard to the ringers' fund for tuning, etc., I was a little premature in asking for donations to be sent to Denn's Brown.

Our appeal, for which approximately £40 is the target, has been placed in the hands of our secretary/treasurer, Herbert Stocks, whose address is 5, Nelson Road, Winchester.—Yours faithfully,

W. O. HAYTHORNE.

Winchester.

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RINGING TOUR IN SIX COUNTIES

A party of eight ringers from East Grinstead and District gathered in Tunbridge Wells on May 15th for their annual Whitsun tour. With Brian Jeffries and John Warner acting as drivers we set forth in glorious weather for Banbury (The Mount Hotel, Oxford Road), which was to be our home for the next three days. Alan, Christine and Keith with his box of handbells, were picked up en route and Banbury not reached until 12.10 a.m. We were very grateful to the hotel proprietor who so thoughtfully provided tea and biscuits at this late hour.

On Saturday we set forth at 9 a.m. for Swafield (Oxon), a 13 cwt. six ringing by Gillett and Johnston in 1933. Here we were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Roome and friends from the Northampton area, together with Colin Cook. After a good lower in peal, we moved on to Brailes (Warwickshire), the second heaviest six in the country, with a tenor weighing 29 cwt. These bells were rung by Taylors in 1958.

Our next tower at Great Tew was in a charming old-world village nestling in the heart of the Oxfordshire countryside. En route to Deddington the minibus ran out of petrol in the middle of nowhere, which caused a certain amount of alarm and despondency but help in the way of a gallon of petrol was obtained from a neighbouring farm and also from a passing motorist. An excellent lunch was obtained at Deddington before ringing on this very pleasant eight. Tracks were then made for Adderbury (Oxon), where an hour was spent. From here to Bloxham to the church of Our Lady of Bloxham. The Vicar here told the author that on occasions he gets a thousand people in his congregation.

Tea was taken at Banbury (with cakes!), before going to St. Mary's Church to ring on the ten. The last call of the day was at the Home Farm Campanile, Balscote. There are 14 bells here, all rung on bicycle wheels and the ringing chamber is in the owner's wash-house.

Leaving Banbury at 9.31 a.m. on Whit Sunday we made record time to Stratford-on-Avon (22 miles in 30 minutes), where we rang for morning service on the lovely ten and also attended service. A picnic lunch prepared by the ladies of the band was had on the banks of the Avon. After lunch handbells were rung and they were a real joy to listen to. On now to Wellesbourne-Hastings (Warwickshire), to the church of St. Peter and then to St. Nicholas (Warwick), where we rang various methods on the lovely eight. The ten at St. Mary's (Warwick), were rung for evening service and the author was privileged to see and hear a four-manual organ built by Hope, Jones and Morgan, of Birkenhead, and reconditioned by Comptons. It is unfortunately in need of repair one again. Tea supper was had in a restaurant at Warwick before returning to Banbury via Avon Dassett and Farnborough.

Banbury was left at 9.5 a.m. Monday en route for Maids Moreton, Bucks (a lovely six hung by Taylors). A very good lower in peal

THE 'EVEREST' BAND REASSEMBLE



The band who rang 40,320 Plain Bob Major at Loughborough Bell Foundry, July 27th-28th, 1963, taken outside Birmingham Cathedral. Left to right, standing: John C. Eisel (5), John Robinson (6), Brian Harris (7), Robert B. Smith (conductor, tenor), John A. Acres (umpire). Kneeling: Brian J. Woodruffe (treble), John M. Jelley (2), Neil Bennett (3), Frederick Shallcross (4).

completed the ringing before going to Wicken (Northants). Apart from the six bells Shenley (Bucks) has a magnificent two-manual organ built by A. P. Mander which the author was privileged to play. The Rector kindly invited us to coffee, but unfortunately we were unable to accept due to time. Lunch was taken at Loughton. Now on to Linslade, home of the great train robbers of everlasting fame. A mishap en route due to navigation landed us at Old Linslade instead of Linslade. We discovered when we finally arrived at Linslade, a mile or so further down the road, that the old church we had gone to had only one bell. On again to Leighton Buzzard (Beds), to ring on the beautiful Taylor cast ten. We arrived late at Cheddington (Bucks) and were only able to ring two methods. Here we met up with a party from South Mymms (Herts) who were on a day tour. On again to Tring (Herts), to ring on the eight and to Berkhamsted for tea, which unfortunately delayed our arrival at Bushey Heath (Herts) by one hour. However, the local ringer was got from his house by John and very kindly let us ring for $\frac{1}{2}$ hour. After this the homeward run. Handbells were rung by Hilary, David, Keith and Colin in the minibus.

Methods rung throughout the tour ranged from Grandsire Doubles, Stedman Doubles to Superlative, Double Norwich Major, Double Norwich Caters, Bristol Major and Kent Royal.

Grateful thanks to all incumbents and the originators of this tour. G. T. F.-H.

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

Chesterfield District's Striking Competition

The Chesterfield District second striking competition, held at Clay Cross on May 9th, was once again a success.

Six teams entered this year but as the ringers from one of these—North Wingfield—had never before attended a meeting in such numbers, the competition was worthwhile from that point of view alone!

After an excellent tea in the nearby school rooms, the judges (Messrs. D. R. Carlisle and D. Friend) gave some very helpful advice and criticism on the standard of ringing. The results were as follows: 1st, Old Whittington (Oxford T.B. 244 pts.); 2nd, Dronfield (Oxford 237); 3rd, Bolsover (Plain Bob, 220); 4th, Staveley (call-changes, 200); 5th, North Wingfield (Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles, 196) and 6th, Clowne (Plain Hunt, 102).

The tower captain at Clay Cross, Mr. J. Price, presented the District Shield to Mr. S. Lawrence, captain of the winning team, and warmly congratulated them on a fine performance. As this year's contest was a knock-out heat for the Association's final, Old Whittington, Dronfield and possibly Bolsover will go forward to compete for the Horsley Cup.

Next meeting: June 13th, Creswell.

M. P. P.

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OBITUARY

MR. B. GREATOREX

With regret we record the death of Mr. Benjamin Greatorex, a ringer at Wirksworth for over 60 years. Mr. Greatorex died at his home on May 9th, and is survived by a widow, a married son and small grandson.

He was a staunch supporter of the Old Midland Counties Association and regularly attended its annual meetings at Derby, Nottingham, Leicester and Burton-on-Trent. There is no record of the number of peals rung, but most of these were for the M.C.A. In 1946 the Derby and District Association (now the Derby Diocesan Association) was formed from the old Midland Counties Association and Ben Greatorex was a founder member and supported it until his health prevented him from attending meetings. In 1961 he was elected an honorary life member. His last peal was one of Kent Treble Bob Major rung at Wirksworth on April 6th, 1957, which was also the last peal on the bells. Much to Ben's disgust peal ringing has been banned at Wirksworth—a situation that exists at a number of Derbyshire towers.

Ben Greatorex had not been able to ring for several years, and since then Wirksworth band has gradually deteriorated. It was only a short time ago that the general secretary heard of his death, and consequently the Association was not represented at the funeral. However, permission was obtained for a quarter peal which was rung on June 1st with the bells half-muffled. It was 1,260 Stedman Triples, rung by B. P. Morris 1, J. F. Smallwood (cond.) 2, F. R. Lowe 3, P. Taylor 4, G. Clift 5, H. Taylor 6, R. H. Bullen 7, G. Paulson 8.

Ben Greatorex maintained his interest in ringing right up to the last, and was always delighted to see any of his ringing friends and to talk of the days when he rang peals with M. Swinfield, J. George and J. Paget. He looked forward to 'The Ringing World' every week. Another old friend who was unable to get to Wirksworth for the quarter peal but wished to be associated was Mr. Fred Adams, of Staveley, a vice-president of the Association. B. P. M.

MR. P. H. STAFFORD

Captain at Caerleon, Newport, Monmouthshire, for many years previous to his death, on May 16th, Mr. Percival H. Stafford leaves behind a long record of faithful service. He was 77 years of age and was present in the tower on the Sunday before his death.

He was taught to ring at Caerleon just over 60 years ago and was a regular and punctual ringer.

His name was only seen a few times in the peal columns, these being in the 1920's. He liked Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and also call changes. The bells at Caerleon were rung half-muffled to call changes during the evening after the funeral. D. P.

MR. F. W. ROGERS

With deep regret we record the sudden death of Mr. Frederick W. Rogers, of Cosham, Portsmouth, on June 9th, while on a visit to Mr. A. York-Bramble at Southsea.

Mr. Rogers' services to the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild were outstanding. For 25 years he was general secretary of the Guild, retiring in 1955. At the annual meeting in 1936 at Ryde he was presented with a model bell, suitably inscribed, mounted on a small frame, a pen and pencil set, and also a cheque. He was elected Master of the Guild and this post he held until two years ago, when he retired and was succeeded by Canon K. W. H. Felstead. In his prime he was one of the finest heavy bell ringers in the country.

To his memory the bells of Portsmouth Cathedral were rung half-muffled to Grandsire Caters on Saturday afternoon. The funeral service, followed by cremation, took place on Monday.

MR. LEONARD FIDLER

The death occurred on June 12th, at the age of 77 years, of Mr. Leonard Fidler, of Hitchin, Herts. Although he had been unable to ring for about eight years his interest in the local band continued and, whenever his health permitted, he was present at the annual tower meetings. Some weeks ago Mr. Fidler had a fall and fractured his hip; an unfortunate accident from which he never fully recovered.

Len Fidler was elected a member of the band at Hitchin in 1908 and rang his first peal the following year. In the years between the wars he helped to build a local band which was one of the foremost in Hertfordshire. The records show a steady flow of quarter peals rung for Sunday services, both in the standard methods and several Surprise methods. In most of these Len rang on the 'heavy end' and conducted many of the performances.

His peal total for the Hertford County Association was 27, and his great love of Double Norwich is reflected in the fact that no less than 11 of these were in this method.

In 1947 his services to ringing were honoured in his election as president of the Hertford County Association. The writer's acquaintance with Len Fidler did not begin until the twilight of his career, but even then his regard for Sunday service ringing and his earnest desire for a high standard of striking were still evident. His service to St. Mary's had been long and faithful; as a ringer for 56 years and as captain since 1947. To his family we extend our sympathy in their sad loss.

A. R. A.

HENLOW, BEDS.—On May 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Thompson 1, S. J. Philbrick 2, F. Mitchell 3, G. Mayes 4, M. Major 5, L. H. Bywaters (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled for A. S. Hall, churchwarden, interred this day.

KNUTSFORD'S ROYAL MAY DAY

The recent death of Sydney Hough, sen., and the peal rung at Knutsford on May 2nd to celebrate the centenary of the May Day Festival brings back some happy memories.

Nowadays, owing to traffic problems, the celebration is held on the first Saturday in May, formerly it was held on the first of May. My introduction to the May Day ringing was on May 1st, 1920, also it was the first time, but not the last, I sampled the hospitality of the Houghs—theirs was open house and what with young Sid and Norman dashing in and out like scalded cats, selling programmes and coming back for more, at the same time snatching samples of the good fare laid out for the visitors and the many visitors who did pop in. Mrs. Hough had her hands full.

On this day of days the kids of Knutsford had the time of their lives, for the May Queen it was a proud moment and the girl chosen had something to be proud of as with her retinue she was the centre-piece around which everything revolved. The children were dressed to represent every known character in nursery rhymes and other mythical beings, whilst the two men who bore the sedan chair developed a whale of a thirst. Added to these were the gaily decorated tradesmen's vehicles whose proud horses seemed to sense the gaiety of the occasion. The crowning of the May Queen and the dancing around the maypole took place on the Green witnessed by hundreds of visitors even in those days.

A feature of Knutsford for this particular Festival was the sanding of the streets, sand being sprinkled on the ground and formed into innumerable patterns and woe betide anyone who trampled on the designs before the day was out.

The ringing continued throughout the day and the appreciation of the Festival Committee in those days was shown in a practical manner by seeing that the ringers had some cash to obtain the refreshment necessary to drink their health.

After the formal Festival there was all the fun of the fair to enjoy so everyone stayed as long as possible, the journey home was not thought of then. Eventually the time of departure arrived and though tired we set off for home. By the time Moberly was reached I had a puncture but no repair outfit, anyhow more by good luck than management, a penny stump I had on me served as a temporary repair and although I had to use the pump several times, I did manage to get home, very tired but like many other ringers, quite happy at the pleasure I had had ringing—was it worth that weary ride home? Yes, of course it was?

JOHN P. FIDLER

LONDON UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

Whit week-end was spent by eight members and friends of London University Society touring North Hampshire.

The party arrived at Overton on Friday night to join in the local practice and a snatch at Laverstoke. A spice of adventure was provided on Saturday by attempting the almost unringable bells at Hurstbourne Priors (6) and Nether Wallop (5), where a loose frame had cracked the tower. There was also the tall shaky tower at Andover (8). However, some good bells were included.

Compensations were forthcoming on Sunday with early ringing at 7.30 at Overton, New and Old Alresford and, in the afternoon, the splendid 12 at Winchester Cathedral. In the evening we joined the boys of Winchester College at the college chapel.

To mark the 50th anniversary of the ordination as priest of the Rev. Powell Miller, former Rector of St. Olave's, a quarter of Cambridge Major was rung at Highclere. Among other towers visited were Kingsclere (8), All Saints', Basingstoke (9), where Bob Caters was rung, and the musical eight at St. Michael's, Basingstoke—for Erin and Double Norwich. Thanks are accorded Diana Frost for organising a very successful tour and to incumbents and local ringers.

R. E. J. D.

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CORSTON, SOMERSET

The excellence of the bells made up for the deficiencies of the weather when All Saints' Corston, ringers and friends visited the New Forest area for their annual outing.

The fine-toned eight at Romsey Abbey were much enjoyed. Despite the heavy Bournemouth traffic, Lyndhurst was reached on time. The tower appeared to be somewhat mobile, but a good course of Cambridge was brought round.

After a picnic lunch, good use was made of the light six at Brockenhurst, where ringing included a ladies' touch of Stedman. Tea was taken at Lymington, after which an hour was spent in the tower, where perhaps the most enjoyable ringing of the day took place. The last tower was Cranborne, Dorset, the route thereto passing mile after mile of rhododendrons in full flower. These bells were also put to good use.

Thanks are extended to all incumbents and to those who met us.

TOTTENHOE, BEDS

The Vale of Evesham, the Cotswolds and the Malvern Hills were included in the itinerary of Totternhoe ringers during their outing on May 30th. Coffee at Evesham preceded ringing on the sixes at Cropthorne and Elmley Castle. Thirst was quenched after this by 'village-brewed' cider.

Lunch was taken at Worcester and the afternoon's ringing was at Malvern Link and Pershore Abbey. The climb to the 'bird cage' at the Abbey was negotiated and some successful Major rung on the majestic eight. Tea followed and Eckington and Ebrington visited to conclude the day's ringing. Thunderstorms accompanied us to Banbury, but did not dampen our spirits for the stop at Brackley.

Mr. R. J. Smith is thanked for organising another successful day, and also incumbents and ringers who met us.

C. S.

OUTINGS**RAVING RINGERS IN NORTH BUCKS**

An extensive repertoire of methods was indulged in by the Society of Raving Ringers during their day's outing in North Bucks. There was Cambridge and Kent at Mursley (6) and Bristol, Yorkshire and Stedman at Bletchley where Mr. Marks welcomed the party. Milton Keynes bells were hard going, but after dinner the six at North Crawley were a compensation.

At Chicheley Norwich Surprise was rung on a hard-going six and Bristol and Stedman at Newport Pagnell. Following the tea break came Clifton Reynes but two cars nearly didn't make it—one ran out of petrol and the other went to the wrong tower. Lathbury (5) sallies were found to be a yard too low. The day finished with Double Norwich at Hanslope.

B. J. D.

ST. ALDATE'S, OXFORD

Several learners not used to ringing on strange bells and friends from other towers were included in the outing of St. Aldate's, Oxford, on May 30th, which was the first attempted for several years.

The 17 cwt six at West Hanney were found to be easy to handle but rather loud inside the tower. Next came the light six at Brightwalton followed by a picnic tea, with tea brewed without a teapot—a brown, warm and almost tasteless liquid. After a lesson by the branch secretary on 'how to replace the rear window of a mini-bus after some idiot had pushed it out' the journey was resumed to Bedwyn Magna. Despite some finding this 28 cwt. six rather a handful, several methods were managed with some of the local ringers. Ringing concluded at Mildenhall.

Thanks go to Edward Venn, the organiser, and Bob Benstead, the capable driver.

P. J. H.

ST. MARY'S ROUGHAM, SUFFOLK

A start at 6 a.m. was made by St. Mary's Rougham, ringers and friends (numbering 42) for their outing to Coventry on May 23rd. En route ringing took place at Elston (John Bunyan's birthplace) and Dunchurch (tenor 19 cwt.) where Plain Bob Minor, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Ipswich Surprise were rung.

After lunch at Coventry the film 'On the fall and rise of the new Cathedral' was seen at the Cathedral. Ringers of the party then visited the light eight at Allesley and joined the rest who had been sightseeing in Coventry before continuing the journey to Warwick for a welcome tea. At the well-known tower of St. Nicholas', Warwick, the best touch of the day was rung—Kent T.B. Major. A call at Whitnash on the homeward journey produced some good touches of Plain Bob. St. Clement's, Cambridge and Oxford Bob.

A very tired party reached Rougham at 12.15 p.m. to be met by the Rector, the Rev. G. E. Jarrold. His wife, who with some of the choir accompanied the party, proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. L. Wright (the organiser). The ringers are very grateful to Mr. F. W. Perrens, who arranged the towers, film show and meals and even pilots for the coach!

50 YEARS AGO

'R.W.' May 1st, 1914.—

BY GEORGE!—The patron saint of England, whose festival falls on April 23rd, has many namesakes among the ringing fraternity, and on more than one occasion Georges have celebrated the day by ringing a peal. On Thursday of last week eight of them again marked the festival by scoring a 5,088 Kent Treble Bob. Not only was the peal rung, composed and conducted by Georges, but to make the record complete it was rung at the Church of St. George, Camberwell.

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On Monday the Editor received a phone call from Mr. J. L. Garner-Hayward, hon. secretary of the Coventry Diocesan Guild, who we regret to state, is in King's College Hospital, London. Last Thursday he underwent an operation, which is regarded as successful. Those who attended Coventry Cathedral Rally last year will recall that he was forced to hobble around with the aid of a stick. At that time he must have been in considerable pain although he tried to hide it as much as possible.

Miss Christine A. Major, former Rainham ringer, won prizes for anatomy and physiology at the Elizabeth Garrett Hospital, St. Pancras, London, where she is training for a nurse. Congratulations, Christine!

The following tribute has been paid by a lady to the Washington ten: 'Everyone missed all the ringers. I don't know when in all my life I have met such a fine and splendid group of men.' 'Perhaps the selection wasn't so bad after all,' writes our correspondent.

Mr. William S. Deason should be associated with the peal rung at All Hallows', Twickenham, in honour of the marriage of Mr. Robin G. Leale and Miss Gillian A. Neal Smith. Mr. Deason stood down, the band having met one short for Royal.

The golden wedding of a former Rainham ringer, Mr. Robert Belsey, was honoured by a quarter peal on the bells on June 2nd. He and his wife now live at Ditton, Maidstone, and before that at Headcorn. Unfortunately, owing to losing a leg, Mr. Belsey cannot now ring, but he sat in a car and listened to the bells he and his family rung for many years in the past.

When the late Arthur Craven produced the figures for a new Surprise method over 40 years ago he gave them to the band at Pudsey and suggested they might call it Pudsey Surprise. Two of the ringers in the peal of Pudsey at Pudsey on June 6th were members of the band when the method was first rung there—William Barton and John Ambler. It was not thought in those days that it would become a standard method.

BELFRY GOSSIP

The Editor thanks the many correspondents for their advice in the way peals should be presented. Most of the defects mentioned were patent to him in the first issue. He is flattered to think that the alteration he is making this week coincides with the improvements many of our readers have suggested.

Mr. B. S. Neale, of the South Wales Nomads, writes to tell his friends that there is a final e to his name.

More girls than boys rang their first peal in Sussex during 1963. Is this a general pointer?

The name of Mr. F. W. Perrens should be included in the list of life members attending the Central Council meeting at Truro. See page 354.

The number of changes in the peal of Yorkshire Major at St. Denys, Cornwall (see page 381), was 5,024 and not 5,056 as printed.

Our correspondent asks us to correct the footnote of the peal of Belgrave Surprise rung at Caythorpe on May 2nd (page 384). It should read: First peal in the method by all the band except the ringer of sixth.

Mr. B. L. Burrows informs us of his slip-up in sending in a report of a peal at Croft (page 364). The date was May 1st and not April 3rd, and the time 2 hours 28 minutes and not 2 hours 38 minutes.

The peal at Silsoe, Beds, on May 18th should receive an honourable mention. It was one of Minor, seven methods, and was the first peal for the conductor (Mr. R. Law) and three others, and first in seven methods for the remainder of the band.

Mr. E. R. Warner, of Woking, received the congratulations of his fellow ringers at Holy Trinity, Guildford, on the 40th anniversary of his wedding on June 7th, and Mrs. Warner came into the belfry after the quarter peal in honour of the day to thank the ringers for their congratulations. Mr. Warner has been ringing for 48 years and he has subscribed to 'The Ringing World' constantly throughout this period. He showed his appreciation of the journal by sending a cheque.

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ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
BIRMINGHAM.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.

On Thurs., June 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

FRANK E. HAYNES Treble	EDWARD W. COLLEY 7
SUSAN FUNNELL 2	GEORGE E. FEARN 8
MURIEL REAY 3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN 9
RODERICK W. PIPE 4	DAVID J. PURNELL 10
PHILIP G. K. DAVIES 5	J. ALAN AINSWORTH 11
MARTIN D. FELLOWS 6	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE Tenor

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

MARYL R. CROSTHWAITE .. Treble	KENNETH J. HESKETH 7
SUSAN FUNNELL 2	PHILIP J. ROTHERA 8
MURIEL REAY 3	DAVID J. PURNELL 9
JENNIFER M. COOK 4	GEORGE E. THODAY 10
NORMAN J. GOODMAN 5	J. ALAN AINSWORTH 11
GEOFFREY PEARSON 6	*GEORGE E. FEARN Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER. Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

* 100th peal of Cambridge Maximus.

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Church of St. Martin.

On Tues., June 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 36 cwt. 110 lb. in C.

ELIZABETH TIMMINS .. Treble	MARTIN D. FELLOWS 6
GEORGE E. FEARN 2	NORMAN J. GOODMAN 7
MARYL R. CROSTHWAITE .. 3	DAVID J. PURNELL 8
MICHAEL J. FELLOWS 4	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE 9
GEOFFREY DAVIES 5	J. ALAN AINSWORTH Tenor

Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
CHEPSTOW, Monmouthshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Fri., May 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 19 cwt.

ANN M. COX Treble	GWILYM SALMON 6
FRANK L. HARRIS 2	LEWIS F. COBB 7
JOHN HARTLESS 3	EDWARD J. CHIVERS 8
REGINALD W. REX 4	RONALD N. MARLOW 9
PHILIP N. TUBBS 5	R. ROGER SAVORY Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by R. ROGER SAVORY.

NEWPORT, Mon.—At the Pro-Cathedral Church of St. Woolos.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in E flat.

DONALD G. CLIFT .. Treble	JOHN HARTLESS 7
ANN M. COX 2	EDWARD J. CHIVERS 8
R. ROGER SAVORY 3	FRANK L. HARRIS 9
JAMES E. DANIELS 4	PHILIP N. TUBBS 10
REGINALD W. REX 5	RONALD N. MARLOW 11
GWILYM SALMON 6	LEWIS F. COBB Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by FRANK L. HARRIS.

CHEPSTOW, Monmouthshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5057 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb.

SHIRLEY M. DREW .. Treble	DAVID J. KING 6
JACQUELINE S. KING 2	WILLIAM F. SCUDAMORE .. 7
DAVID PIKE 3	D. KENVYN WALTERS 8
AUSTIN T. WINGATE 4	GEOFFREY R. DREW 9
GEORGE T. COUSINS 5	GEORGE WARD Tenor

Composed by MORRIS J. MORRIS.

Conducted by DAVID J. KING.

50th peal as conductor for the Association.

Arranged and rung as a farewell to the Vicar, the Ven. Archdeacon Ernest P. Evans, who is leaving Chepstow for the parish of Llantilio Crossenny.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
SOUTHAMPTON, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., June 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5075 GRANDSIRE CATERS

CAROLYN VIBERT .. Treble	†MICHAEL D. TRIGG 6
MICHAEL J. THOMAS 2	†JOHN H. TAYLOR 7
JOHN R. FAITHFULL 3	R. ROGER SAVORY 8
*MALCOLM M. POWELL 4	DAVID E. HOUSE 9
†STEPHEN KIRBY 5	DEREK C. JACKSON Tenor

Composed by B. JEALOUS.

Conducted by R. ROGER SAVORY.

* First peal of Grandsire. † First 10-bell peal, and first of Grandsire. The second ringer has now 'circled' the tower.

Rung on the 20th anniversary of D-Day. Tenor 16 cwt. 43 lb.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
SOLIHULL, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Alphege.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PUDSEY SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 11 lb. in E flat.

*PERCY STONE .. Treble	†IAN D. THOMPSON 6
*MARYL R. CROSTHWAITE .. 2	L. MICHAEL CALLOW 7
*HUBERT G. SUMMERS 3	*ERNEST J. GOWER 8
FRANK W. PERRENS 4	*HUBERT E. ASHLEY 9
*DAVID J. ALLEN 5	PETER BORDER Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

* First peal of Pudsey Surprise Royal. † First on ten bells. First of Pudsey Surprise Royal by the Guild.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ASHTON-under-LYNE.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Tues., June 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS

BASIL JONES .. Treble	*DEREK F. YATES 7
*CHRISTINE ANDREW 2	†RONALD M. EDWARDS 8
EDWARD JENKINS 3	†DEREK A. ASHTON 9
CAROL FERNLEY 4	†GORDON BENFIELD 10
*PETER J. MALLOCH 5	†WILLIAM H. DOWSE 11
†ALAN MCFALL 6	††ROBERT B. SMITH Tenor

Composed by JOHN WORTH.

Conducted by ROBERT B. SMITH.

* First peal of T.B. Maximus. † First of Kent T.B. Maximus. ‡ 550th peal. Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 25 lb.

Rung as a compliment to Robert and Cynthia Warrilow on the birth of a daughter (Judith Ann).

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

KIDDERMINSTER.—At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 24 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb. in D.

EDWARD JENKINS .. Treble	ALAN A. POTTS 7
*ALAN MCFALL 2	BASIL JONES 8
HAROLD C. LONYON 3	PETER WHITEHEAD 9
FRANK OSBALDISTON 4	BRIAN WOODRUFFE 10
C. KENNETH LEWIS 5	ROBERT B. SMITH 11
JOHN WORTH 6	BRIAN HARRIS Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

* First peal on 12 bells.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

GRANTHAM, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Wulfram.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

DENIS A. FRITH .. Treble	WILLIAM A. LACEY 6
ALAN E. HARTLEY 2	J. BARRY PICKUP 7
GEOFFREY M. BREWIN 3	E. ALAN JACQUES 8
MARTIN C. FAULKES 4	A. MAXWELL LINDSEY 9
ROLAND H. COOK 5	R. KINGSLEY MASON Tenor

Composed by C. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by WILLIAM A. LACEY.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

EATON SOCON, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 12 methods, comprising 576 of Bristol and Rutland, 512 of Eastcote, 384 each of Cray, Ealing, Lincolnshire, London, New Gloucester, Superlative and Yorkshire, and 352 each of Cambridge and Wembley; with 145 changes of method.

PATRICIA J. LAYCOCK .. Treble	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 5
*FREDERICK R. SCOTT 2	*J. KEITH WARD 6
JOHN R. MAYNE 3	JACK S. DEAR 7
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 4	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. Tenor

Composed by DAVID W. BEARD.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

* First peal of 12-Spliced Surprise Major.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 3 Hours.

A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb.

ROBERT WARRILOW .. Treble	*DAVID ATKINSON 5
C. KENNETH LEWIS 2	JOHN WORTH 6
HAROLD C. LONYON 3	ALAN A. POTTS 7
FRANK OSBALDISTON 4	BASIL JONES Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

* First peal in the method.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

WARWICK.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Thurs., June 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in F.

FRANK W. PERRENS .. Treble	ERNEST J. GOWER 5
*EDWARD HOLDSWORTH .. 2	L. MICHAEL CALLOW 6
MARYL R. CROSTHWAITE .. 3	PETER S. BENNETT 7
†RICHARD D. GIBSON 4	PETER BORDER Tenor

Composed by THOMAS B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

* First peal of Major in the method. † First of Surprise Major.

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BELPER, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

*JOHN MORLEY Treble	FRANCIS R. LOWE 5
JOSEPH C. WOOLLEY .. 2	GORDON A. HALLS 6
EDMUND SHUTTLWORTH .. 3	DENNIS R. CARLISLE .. 7
WM. ARNOLD MORLEY .. 4	DAVID PARKIN Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by GORDON A. HALLS.

* First peal.

Tenor 14½ cwt. in F sharp.

Rung for the birth of a son, Michael William, to Audrey and Arnold Morley.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

TRUMPINGTON, Cambs.—At the Church of SS. Mary and Michael.

On Thurs., June 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Holt's Original.	Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in G.
*S. CLARKE WALTERS .. Treble	T. REGINALD DENNIS .. 5
*KENNETH J. DARVILL .. 2	*VIVIAN NUTTON 6
MARTIN PRESS 3	*CHRISTOPHER H. ROGERS .. 7
*R. MARK DAMERELL .. 4	*KEITH J. TRIPLOW Tenor

Conducted by S. CLARKE WALTERS.

* First peal of Grandsire Triples. First on tower bells as conductor. First of Holt's Original by all the band, and on the bells.

A birthday compliment to Miss Hilary F. Slow.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, Wiltshire.—

At the Church of St. Margaret of Antioch.

On Fri., May 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 VERMONT SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9½ cwt.

MICHAEL J. STANLEY .. Treble	W. BERTRAM KYNASTON .. 5
GORDON W. LAND 2	BRIAN BLADON 6
GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. 3	ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. 7
D. JOHN HUNT 4	*VICTOR GRIFFIN Tenor

Composed by R. BALDWIN.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

* 25th Surprise Major method to a peal. First in the method for the Association, on the bells, and by all the band.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

HALEWOOD, near Liverpool.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Tues., June 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb.

TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. Treble	JACK N. BROWN 5
JOHN R. LUNHAM 2	DENNIS R. JONES 6
TERENCE M. FITZGERALD .. 3	THOMAS W. HESKETH .. 7
HUBERT RICHARDSON .. 4	FRANK CURRIE Tenor

Composed by J. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by THOMAS W. HESKETH.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. W. J. Simmons, father of Mrs. P. Moffat, a ringer at this church.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

THURCASTON, Leicestershire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 10 cwt.
CHRISTINE J. HART .. Treble	J. RICHARD PERKINS .. 5
MARY C. POYNER 2	JULIAN MORLEY 6
HARRY POYNER 3	B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. 7
ROGER I. KENDRICK .. 4	FREDERICK T. BINDLEY .. Tenor

Conducted by B. STEDMAN PAYNE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

SUTTERTON, Lincs.—At the Church of St. Mary the Blessed Virgin.

On Mon., April 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5024 ILMINSTER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.

BRIAN HARRIS Treble	RAYMOND H. DAW 5
EDWIN T. CHAPMAN .. 2	GEORGE W. MASSEY .. 6
DENNIS WOODS 3	CYRIL R. BURRELL .. 7
ROGER D. BAILEY 4	RONALD C. NOON Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by RONALD C. NOON.

First peal in the method.

FULNEY, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Mon., May 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5024 OUNDLE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14½ cwt.

RONALD C. NOON .. Treble	EDWIN T. CHAPMAN .. 5
ROGER D. BAILEY .. 2	GEORGE W. MASSEY .. 6
DEREK J. JONES .. 3	RAYMOND H. DAW .. 7
DENIS WOODS 4	BRIAN HARRIS Tenor

Composed by H. LAW JAMES.

Conducted by RONALD C. NOON.

First peal in the method.

ILMINSTER SURPRISE MAJOR

x 34 x 14 x 58 x 16 x 34 x 38 x 16 x 78 2nd pl. L.E. 18674523.

OUNDLE SURPRISE MAJOR

x 34 x 1458 x 56 x 36 x 14 x 1458 x 14 x 58 2nd pl. L.E. 4263857.

LINCOLN.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 ALDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

ANNE E. BATESON .. Treble	LOUIS WILLIERS 5
MARY C. POYNER 2	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. 6
NORAH M. RANGLES .. 3	JOHN WALDEN 7
HAROLD F. GIBSON .. 4	GEOFFREY PAUL Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by GEOFFREY PAUL.

First peal in the method by all the band.

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 lb.

Rung for the wedding of Ruby I. Gurnhill and Geoffrey H. Scott.

EDENHAM, Lincs.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Mon., June 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5024 NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt.

*FRANK TAYLOR .. Treble	*ROGER D. BAILEY .. 5
*RAYMOND H. DAW .. 2	BRIAN HARRIS 6
*ALAN G. PAYNE 3	RONALD C. NOON 7
*DENIS WOODS 4	*GEORGE W. MASSEY .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by RONALD C. NOON.

* First peal in the method.

BILLINGBOROUGH, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5024 ALDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in A flat.

NORAH M. RANGLES .. Treble	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. 5
*JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. 2	GEOFFREY PAUL 6
*ANNE E. BATESON .. 3	JOHN WALDEN 7
*JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 4	*GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. Tenor

Composed by CHAS. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

* First peal of Aldenham Surprise Major.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

USK, Monmouthshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Thurs., May 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14½ cwt. in F sharp.

RONALD N. MARLOW .. Treble	LEWIS F. COBB 5
DONALD G. CLIFT 2	FRANK L. HARRIS .. 6
REGINALD W. REX 3	ANN M. COX 7
JOHN OWEN 4	PHILIP N. TUBBS Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by ANN M. COX.

First peal of Surprise Major as conductor.

EBBW VALE.—At the Church of Christ.

On Fri., May 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in D.

FRANK L. HARRIS .. Treble	R. ROGER SAVORY .. 5
REGINALD W. REX .. 2	RONALD N. MARLOW .. 6
ANN M. COX 3	LEWIS F. COBB 7
PHILIP N. TUBBS .. 4	EDWARD J. CHIVERS .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by FRANK L. HARRIS.

CAERLEON, Monmouthshire.—At the Church of St. Cadoc.

On Thurs., June 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 8½ cwt.
*JACQUELINE S. KING .. Treble	JACK JAMES 5
JOHN MANLEY 2	DAVID J. HUGHES .. 6
DAVID PIKE 3	*DAVID J. KING 7
WILLIAM E. THOMPSETT .. 4	*RICHARD W. OWEN .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID J. KING.

* 150th peal together. † First peal.

Rung in memoriam Mr. Percy H. Stafford, for 60 years a ringer at Caerleon.

THE SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

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

REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. Treble	PETER WOOLLVEN .. 5
RAYMOND BENFIELD .. 2	DAN S. PONT 6
SIMON HUMPHREY .. 3	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. 7
D. PETER J. BRUCE .. 4	PETER HUMPHREY .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by RAYMOND BENFIELD.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Mon., June 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5392 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

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

Granta variation.	Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in B.
RAYMOND BENFIELD .. Treble	MICHAEL POPPLESTON .. 5
JOSEPH W. COTTON .. 2	GEORGE DAWSON .. 6
REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. 3	B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. 7
D. PETER J. BRUCE .. 4	G. RONALD EDWARDS .. Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES.

Conducted by RAYMOND BENFIELD.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
DAVENTRY, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of the Holy Cross.
On Fri., May 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.

BARRIE HENDRY Treble	*MALCOLM J. V. CHOWN .. 5
STEPHEN IVIN 2	*HUGH M. JOHNSON .. 6
PATRICK I. CHAPMAN .. 3	*DAVID J. ALLEN .. 7
*KENNETH D. PERKINS .. 4	PETER BORDER Tenor

 Composed by THOMAS B. WORSLEY. Conducted by PETER BORDER.
* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
SOBERTON, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.
On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5184 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb. in G.

*ANNE M. SMITH Treble	†PHILLIP STEVANS 5
PATRICIA J. LAYCOCK .. 2	‡BRYAN C. BURROUGH .. 6
LORNA E. SIMPSON 3	LEONARD J. NORTH .. 7
CLIVE W. SIMPSON 4	BERNARD E. MATTHEWS .. Tenor

 Composed by D. JOHN HUNT. Conducted by BERNARD E. MATTHEWS.
* First peal on eight bells. † First of Major 'inside.' ‡ 75th peal.
In memoriam John E. Rootes, of Bushey.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
PERSHORE, Worcs.—At the Abbey Church of the Holy Cross.
On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 28 cwt. in D.

IAN LLOYD Treble	PETER BRIDLE 5
GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. 2	D. JOHN HUNT 6
MICHAEL J. HOBBS 3	GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. 7
ARTHUR C. BERRY 4	GERALD C. HEMMING .. Tenor

 Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by GEOFFREY J. HEMMING.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
BIRSTWITH, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Thomas.
On Thurs., May 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.
Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in G.
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

MRS. H. B. SCHOFIELD .. Treble	S. BARRY SCHOFIELD .. 5
B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. 2	BARRY SULLIVAN 6
A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. 3	HAROLD B. SCHOFIELD .. 7
ROGER J. LUMLEY 4	LEONARD GOODALL Tenor

 Composed by WILLIAM BARTON. Conducted by A. PETER WHITEHEAD.

BIRSTALL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.
On Tues., June 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5152 BELGRAVE SURPRISE MAJOR
27-course block reduced. Tenor 22 cwt.

PETER KIRKBY Treble	HAROLD B. SCHOFIELD .. 5
MRS. H. B. SCHOFIELD .. 2	BARRY SULLIVAN 6
ROGER J. LUMLEY 3	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. 7
LEONARD GOODALL 4	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. Tenor

 Conducted by LEONARD GOODALL.

CONISBROUGH, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.
On Fri., June 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in F sharp.

DAVID NICHOLS Treble	STUART ARMESON 5
*SANDRA CROSSLEY 2	JOHN E. CHAPMAN 6
J. MARTIN THORLEY .. 3	MICHAEL R. MEADOWS .. 7
JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK .. 4	RICHARD E. PRICE Tenor

 Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by RICHARD E. PRICE.
* First peal in the method 'inside.'

PUDSEY, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Laurence.
On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5056 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 17 cwt.

JOHN AMBLER Treble	WILLIAM BARTON 5
JEANNE BOTTOMLEY .. 2	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. 6
BARRY SULLIVAN 3	JOHN W. GIBSON 7
VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. 4	GORDON BENFIELD Tenor

 Composed by W. E. CRITCHLEY. Conducted by GORDON BENFIELD.

FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
SOMERTON, Som.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.
On Wed., May 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being different extents. Tenor 19½ cwt.

AUDREY M. SHORT .. Treble	RONALD D. SHORT 4
GILBERT W. RENDELL .. 2	H. E. GEORGE JEANES .. 5
REV. C. J. B. MARSHALL .. 3	WILLIAM E. TURNER .. Tenor

 Conducted by WILLIAM E. TURNER.
For Mr. and Mrs. H. E. G. Jeanes' silver wedding.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
SILSOE, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. James-the-Great.
On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, being extents of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., College Exercise, Woodbine T.B., St. Clement's, Single Oxford, Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb.

*MISS M. PICKERING .. Treble	*S. WOOLER 4
†MISS M. PETTITT 2	†R. FRENCH 5
*MISS S. LAW 3	*R. LAW Tenor

 Conducted by R. LAW.
* First peal. † First in seven methods.
Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. J. Law.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
NEWBOLD-ON-AVON, Warwicks.—At the Church of St. Botolph.
On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being five 240's and 32 extents (ten callings). Tenor 12 cwt. in F sharp.

*JULIAN G. EDGSON .. Treble	WILLIAM C. BUDD .. 4
JOAN M. CHENEY 2	AUBREY G. EVELEIGH .. 5
PHILIP M. EDGSON 3	ALLEN J. BELLAMY .. Tenor

 Conducted by AUBREY G. EVELEIGH.
* First peal attempt (aged 15). † First 'inside.'
Rung by an entirely Newbold band as a welcome to the Rev. M. K. Tailby as Curate.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
WHITNEY-ON-WYE, Herefords.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
In 21 methods, being two extents each of St. George, All Saints, Rushall, Marchington, Northrepps, Rev. St. Bartholomew, Fortune, Grandsire, Newborough, Besthorpe, Old, Seighford, April Day, Kennington, Plain Bob, Costessy, St. Columb, Little Aston, Clifford's Pleasure, Rev. Canterbury, Southrepps. Tenor 9 cwt.

MARGARET J. HOPE .. Treble	W. JOHN CLAYTON .. 3
*ROBIN L. HUGHES 2	JOHN W. HOPE 4

 COLIN A. LEWIS Tenor
Conducted by JOHN W. HOPE.
* First peal in 21 methods. Mr. C. A. Lewis has now 'completed the circle' to peals.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
ACCRINGTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. James.
On Sun., April 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.

JUDITH P. WINTERBOTTOM Treble	RICHARD S. STARKIE .. 4
ANTHONY J. HELLWELL .. 2	J. BARRY PICKUP .. 5
ROBERT J. ARMSTRONG .. 3	RICHARD J. PARKES .. Tenor

 Conducted by RICHARD J. PARKES.

ULVERSTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Mary.
On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents. Tenor 13 cwt.

NICHOLAS M. NEWBY .. Treble	JAMES BLACKBURN .. 4
JAMES E. DICKINSON .. 2	*ALAN CAPSTICK .. 5
NICHOLAS M. NEWBY, JUN. 3	THOMAS F. METCALFE .. Tenor

 Conducted by NICHOLAS M. NEWBY.
* 125th peal.
Rung for the 15th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A. Capstick.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.
On Fri., May 29, 1964, in 1 Hour and 51 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 OLD BOB DOUBLES
Being 42 extents, with three variations of calling.

REV. MALCOLM MELVILLE Treble	N. RODERICK ELLWAY .. 4
DAN S. PONT 2	MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. 5
MICHAEL W. BROWN .. 3	*RONALD D. HUGHES .. Tenor

 Conducted by MICHAEL W. BROWN.
* First peal.
Tenor 2 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.

WOODHOUSE EAVES, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Paul.
On Mon., June 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 18 lb.

MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. Treble	GARRY W. MASON .. 4
N. RODERICK ELLWAY .. 2	DAN S. PONT 5
*MICHAEL HARRAD .. 3	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. Tenor

 Conducted by DAN S. PONT.
* First peal 'inside.'
Rung as a 20th birthday compliment to Maurice Kirk.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
EDGWARE, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Margaret.
On Tues., June 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In four methods, being one extent of St. Clement's and Cambridge Surprise, two Kent Treble Bob and three Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. in A.

BRYAN C. BURROUGH .. Treble	CLIVE W. SIMPSON .. 4
ANN P. ROBINSON 2	LEONARD J. NORTH .. 5
LORNA E. SIMPSON 3	BERNARD E. MATTHEWS .. Tenor

 Conducted by BERNARD E. MATTHEWS.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

LONG SUTTON, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., May 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being extents of London, Norfolk, Ipswich, Primrose, Cambridge, Beverley, Surfleet. Tenor 15 cwt.

DENIS WOODS	Treble	ROGER D. BAILEY	4
GEORGE W. MASSEY	2	*BRIAN HARRIS	5
RAYMOND H. DAW	3	RONALD C. NOON	Tenor

Conducted by RONALD C. NOON.

* First peal of seven Surprise on an 'inside' bell.

In honour of the 90th birthday of Mr. John B. Halifax, of Fleet, a founder member of the Guild; also a compliment to Keith and Jeanne Holmes, of Horncastle, who were married on May 23rd.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

MARSTON, Oxford.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Fri., May 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 22 methods/variations: One each of Winchendon, St. Miles, St. Luke, St. George, St. John, Ryton, St. Crispin, St. Nicholas, St. Giles, St. Thomas, St. Silvester, St. Andrew, Shreshill, St. Mary, St. Martin, St. Paul, St. Peter, Rev. Canterbury, Plain Bob, Old, All Saints and 21 of Grandsire. Tenor 5 cwt, in C.

GORDON L. BELCHER	Treble	ROY H. JONES	3
F. MARILYN BIRD	2	NOEL D. DEAM	4
ALEC GAMMON	Tenor		

Conducted by NOEL D. DEAM.

Rung for Commonwealth Day.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

ROTHERSTHORPE, Northants.—Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 42 methods, being extents of St. Alphage, St. Andrew, St. Gregory, Rev. New, Rev. Huntspill, Rev. St. Vedast, Rev. St. Nicholas, Rev. Winchendon Place, Rev. St. Remigius, Rev. St. Simon, Rev. St. Martin, Rev. St. Osmund, Rev. Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Rev. Shipway's Place, St. Bartholomew, Rev. All Saints, St. Sebastian, Uffington, Stowe Place, Datchet, Stedman Slow Course, Coxwell Place, St. Botolph, Union, St. Faith Slow Course, St. Julian, Westminster II, Blackburn Place, St. Hilary, New, Huntspill, St. Vedast, St. Nicholas, Winchendon Place, St. Remigius, St. Simon, St. Martin, St. Osmund, Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Shipway's Place.

RONALD RUSSELL	Treble	ROGER W. SMITH	3
GEORGE F. ROOME	2	GRAHAM C. PAUL	4
ALAN A. PAUL	Tenor		

Conducted by GRAHAM C. PAUL.

Most methods rung in a peal on the bells. The conductor has now 'circled the tower.' Tenor 11 cwt, 3 qr, 14 lb, in G.

Rung to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the rededication of the bells after recasting and augmenting from four to five.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

SHREWTON, Wiltshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise; Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

*ANNE M. SMITH	Treble	PHILLIP STEVANS	4
CLIVE W. SIMPSON	2	BERNARD E. MATTHEWS	5
PATRICIA J. LAYCOCK	3	BRYAN C. BURROUGH	Tenor

* First peal. Conducted by BRYAN C. BURROUGH.

EAST KENNETT, Wiltshire.—At Christ Church.

On Sun., June 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 4 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Consisting of 1,440 of Grandsire, 840 each of Rev. Canterbury and Plain Bob, 480 each of St. Nicholas, Winchendon, St. Simon's and St. Martin's. Tenor 4 cwt, 2 qr, 18 lb, in C.

A. PATRICK CANNON	Treble	ANTHONY R. PEAKE	3
BRIAN BLADON	2	GORDON W. LAND	4
GEOFFREY K. DODD	Tenor		

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

First peal on the bells.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

ORSTON, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 9 cwt, 1 qr, 18 lb, in A flat.

ALBERT FOSTER	Treble	GEORGE A. DAWSON	4
F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER	2	JOHN R. PRATCHETT	5
MARGARET E. CHILTON	3	*W. NEVILLE BROWN	Tenor

Conducted by W. NEVILLE BROWN.

* 25th peal for the Guild. First attempt as conductor.

DAYBROOK, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Tues., April 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Tenor 10 cwt, 1 qr, 8 lb, in G.

GEORGE A. DAWSON	Treble	SYDNEY FOSKETT	4
*JULIE E. LETHBRIDGE	2	RICHARD A. G. INGLIS	5
ELIZABETH SMITH	3	ROBIN H. ROGERS	Tenor

Conducted by ROBIN H. ROGERS.

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

Rung after meeting short for Major.

BARTON-IN-FABIS, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. George.

On Wed., April 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in 39 methods, viz.: One each of Grandsire, Newborough, Norfolk, Fortune, Rev. St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, Marchington, Rushall, All Saints, St. Miles, Winchendon Place, St. Luke, St. John, Ryton, St. Giles, St. Nicholas, St. Thomas, St. Andrew, Shreshill, St. Martin, St. Paul, St. Peter, St. Leonard, Austrey, St. Simon's, St. Albans, Cassington, Eynsham, Elford, Southrepps, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Columb, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Plain Bob, Kennington, Old, April Day, Seighford, and three extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt, 21 lb, in G.

RUTH BLACKSHAW	Treble	MAURICE W. HARRISON	4
ROBIN H. ROGERS	2	GEORGE A. DAWSON	5
RICHARD C. L. BROWN	3	RICHARD A. G. INGLIS	Tenor

Conducted by ROBIN H. ROGERS.

First peal in 39 methods by all the hand.

HANDBELL PEALS

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

At 39, Titian Avenue, Bushey Heath Hertfordshire.

On Tues., May 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 16 methods, comprising 320 each of Bristol, Cambridge, Ealing, Eastcote, Elford, Leatherhead, Lincolnshire, Lindum, London, Pudsey, Rutland, Superlative, Uxbridge, Watford, Wembley and Yorkshire; with 134 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C.

S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN	1—2	JOHN R. MAYNE	5—6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY	3—4	ROGER BALDWIN	7—8

Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

BARROW-UPON SOAR, Leics.—At the Humphrey Perkins School.

On Fri., April 24, 1964, in 1 Hour and 35 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.

DAN S. PONT	1—2	B. STEDMAN PAYNE	3—4
REV. MALCOLM C. C. MELVILLE	5—6		

Non-conducted.

LEICESTER.—At The Wayside, 150, Narborough Road South.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

On Tues., June 2, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.

Tenor size 15 in C.

JOHN A. ACRES	1—2	JOHN M. JELLEY	5—6
PETER J. STANFORTH	3—4	ALFRED BALLARD	7—8

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by ALFRED BALLARD.

First peal of Surprise as conductor on handbells.

LEICESTER.—At The Wayside, 150, Narborough Road South.

On Sun., June 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor size 15 in C.

*JOHN A. ACRES	1—2	JOHN M. JELLEY	5—6
PETER J. STANFORTH	3—4	ROBERT B. SMITH	7—8
ALFRED BALLARD	9—10		

Composed by W. PYE. Conducted by PETER J. STANFORTH.

* 800th peal.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

CAMBRIDGE.—At M7, Whewells Court, Trinity College.

On Fri., June 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor size 16 in B.

S. C. WALTERS (Pembroke)	1—2	A. S. HUDSON (Clare)	7—8
B. D. THRELFALL (Trinity)	3—4	V. NUTTON (Selwyn)	9—10
J. M. H. HUNTER (Trinity)	5—6	C. H. ROGERS (Emma)	11—12

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by A. S. HUDSON.

First peal of Stedman Cinques 'in hand' by all the band, and for the Guild.

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LONG LENGTH

TICKENHAM, SOMERSET.—On May 23rd, 4,320 Minor (two extents Cambridge, Kent and Plain Bob): L. R. G. Taylor 1, A. Tubb 2, D. A. Burt 3, D. J. Barnett 4, G. J. Hawkins 5, A. F. Lee (cond.) 6. Longest length on the bells.

ALFORD, Lincs.—On June 4th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): D. Carter 1, Miss B. Willoughby 2, D. Mautby 3, S. H. Sutton 4, J. I. Smith (cond.) 5, C. Wilkins 6. Rung prior to a presentation to Mr. F. Graves following his retirement after 67 years as organist at Alford Parish Church.

BALTONSBOROUGH, SOMERSET.—On June 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Chivers 1, C. Wenley 2, W. H. Marsh 3, H. J. Atwell 4, F. Paramore (cond.) 5, E. Higdon 6. Rung half-muffled for W. C. Rawles, interred this day.

BARNSELY, YORKS.—On May 30th, 1,320 T.B. Minor (Kent and Earlsheaton, London Scholars, Sandal, Kingston and Oxford): W. Carbutt 1, J. Crossland and C. Moxon 2, P. Carbutt 3, E. St. Innd 4, N. F. Moxon (cond.) 5, H. Mann 6. Rung on the eve of Mayor's Sunday.

BARWELL, LEICESTER.—On May 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Pickering 1, C. J. Lucas 2, T. K. Deacon 3, R. Lord 4, R. J. Colver 5, A. A. Lucas 6, A. H. Hough (cond.) 7, H. Engard 8. A wedding compliment to Richard Tiley and Nancy Hungerford in Toronto, Canada, and Michael Harry Lockley and Kay Lynsey Osterstock, in Adelaide, Australia. Also as a 21st birthday compliment to Claire Orton, a ringer at this church.

BATTISSEA, LONDON.—At the Church of St. Mary on June 5th, 1,280 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob): J. Harvey 1, R. J. Coates 2, Margaret E. Fort 3, A. E. Clayton 4, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 5, F. A. Benn (first quarter attempt) 6. For the Founder's Day of Sir Walter St. John's School.

BEAMINSTER, DORSET.—On June 9th, 1,250 Grandsire Triples: E. A. Pannell 1, Edna G. Pannell 2, Mrs. C. W. Powell 3, H. Kelley 4, C. W. Powell 5, Frank Knight 6, G. Stedman Morris (cond.) 7, A. Knight 8. Rung on the golden wedding day of Mr. and Mrs. F. Forsey, by a representative band of West Dorset ringers.

BRIDGEFORD, DEVON.—On June 5th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: D. R. Bould 1, H. Stacey 2, Mrs. E. M. Hicks 3, E. Nunn 4, H. Heard 5, Mrs. M. A. Boud 6, J. W. Sangwin 7, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. M. R. Bould.

BURNLEY, LANCs.—At St. Peter's Church, 1,260 Minor (St. Clement's, Plain Bob): Bernice Stansfield 1, Judith P. Winter 2, Mary Smith 3, N. Marger on (first quarter) 4, R. J. Parkes (cond.) 5, N. Smith 6, R. Armstrong cover. Rung during annual parish walk.

CAVERSFIELD, OXON.—On May 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Kate D. Elmore (Alabama, U.S.A., first quarter) 1, F. Sharpe (cond.) 2, C. H. Kinch 3, E. J. Evans 4, G. Jones 5.

CHALFONT ST. PETER, BUCKS.—On June 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. G. Swift (cond.) 1, Mrs. Ann Collins 2, Francis Pector 3, M. S. E. G. Swift 4, R. Snack 5, S. Lily 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam F. T. Bolton, late ringer and captain of this church.

CHESTER-LE-STREET, CO. DURHAM.—On May 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss R. Catlin (first quarter) 1, Miss M. A. P. Bortie 2, I. Wintrip 3, J. W. Robson 4, W. Nicholson 5, C. Mordue 6, D. A. Bayles (cond.) 7, J. Close 8. Rung half-muffled on the evening of the funeral of Frederick Sheraton, associated with the bells for over 70 years.

CLAPHAM PARK, LONDON.—On June 7th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. Smith 1, R. Carr 2, B. Bull 3, A. Clayton 4, M. Uphill 5, A. Bazworth 6, R. Stephens (cond.) 7, T. Lewis 8. A.M.D.G.

COWFOLD, SUSSEX.—On May 17th, 1,260 Kent T.B. Minor: Jennifer Goldsmith (first quarter) 1, E. Rapley (cond.) 2, E. Fosberry 3, G. Rix 4, C. Lonzhurst 5, P. Verrall 6.

DEENE, NORTHANTS.—On May 27th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Miss S. Owens 1, J. W. Lyons 2, F. A. Gans 3, R. Russell 4, R. A. Webster (cond.) 5, M. Cunningham 6. Rung by Weldon St. Mary's Sunday service band.

DERBY.—At St. Alkmund's Church on June 7th, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B. and Plain Bob): D. Fox 1, J. Morley 2, A. Nicholson 3, C. Moncrieff 4, J. Dark 5, W. A. Morley (cond.) 6. Rung by the Belles band for Evensong.

DERBY.—At the Church of St. Peter, on May 31st, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: S. Fraser 1, A. Mould 2, K. Betesta 3, Miss R. M. Bull (first as cond.) 4, J. Bailey 5, J. Whiting 6, R. Wallis 7, W. Allsopp 8.

QUARTER PEALS

DORCHESTER, OXON.—On May 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: B. Henson (first quarter) 1, Margaret Thewles 2, Barbara Butler 3, F. Absolom 4, Helen Howes 5, D. Pimm (first of Triples) 6, A. Howes (cond.) 7, D. Exon 8.

DOWNHAM, ESSEX.—On May 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Griffiths (first quarter) 1, Miss J. Foster 2, Mrs. D. B. Belcham 3, H. J. Olivier 4, D. E. Belcham 5, M. J. Hallett (cond.) 6.

DUNSTER, SOMERSET.—On June 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. H. W. Lloyd 1, Mrs. P. R. Tudball 2, J. Tudball 3, P. R. Tudball 4, G. Maidment 5, H. W. Lloyd (cond.) 6, A. R. Tudball 7, G. Frost 8. For Evensong.

EWELL, SURREY.—On May 24th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: M. Morris 1, P. J. Munday 2, D. A. Carpenter 3, Margaret Howard 4, C. W. Munday 5, D. G. Spittle 6, J. E. Beams 7, R. C. Spittle (cond.) 8. For the ordination this day in South-west Cathedral of Paul Richard Simmonds, chorister, Sunday School teacher and server.

FARMBOROUGH, SOMERSET.—On May 27th, 1,260 Doubles (two methods): K. Baker 1, Rosemary Smith 2, R. Sirith (cond.) 3, A. Perry 4, M. Hyman 5, J. Coombs 6. To welcome the birth of David to Peggy and John Fray.

FULHAM, LONDON.—At All Saints' on May 3rd, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: J. E. Reed 1, Mrs. G. G. Meyer 2, Miss D. A. Deverell 3, Miss M. E. Powell 4, M. T. Sprackling 5, L. C. Way 6, M. J. Uphill 7, W. G. Wilson 8, C. M. Meyer (cond.) 9, J. A. G. Harvey 10. For Evensong.

GREAT BROMLEY, ESSEX.—On May 29th, 1,200 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss M. Gould 1, Miss J. Munson 2, A. W. Cole 3, Miss S. Wenden 4, J. H. Gould (cond.) 5, C. A. Wenden 6. First of Doubles 1 and 2. A 21st birthday compliment to ringer of 4.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.—At Holy Trinity Church on June 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: T. W. White 1, Carolyn White 2, Pamela R. Gough 3, H. A. May 4, W. A. Savill 5, E. R. Warner 6, D. J. Tubbs (cond.) 7, C. A. Hopper 8. For the 40th anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Warner, with best wishes from the band.

HARTEST, SUFFOLK.—On April 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Garwood 1, L. Wright 2, R. Rose 3, F. Payne 4, H. Clarke 5, M. Rose (cond.) 6. Rang as a compliment to Mr. G. Garwood.

HUTTON, ESSEX.—On June 6th, 1,260 All Saints' Doubles (eight callings): P. Friend 1, C. E. Hill 2, J. J. Waller (cond.) 3, W. T. Hill 4, R. G. Jones 5. For the wedding of Miss Anne Hayward and Mr. Eddy Mowl.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.—At St. Matthew's Church on June 9th, 1,250 Plain Bob Minor: Sheila Hancock (first quarter) 1, Margaret Newby 2, G. Leach 3, P. Harris 4, R. Kersey 5, C. Aldous (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Edward J. V. Robinson, churchwarden for 15 years, died June 4th.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDx.—On May 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Carol Pacey (first quarter) 1, M. Thomas (first in method 'inside') 2, Patricia Rogers 3, Mrs. K. Parr 4, June Creak 5, P. N. Felton 6, H. W. Rogers (cond.) 7, H. Blagden 8. Also on June 6th, 1,350 Erin Caters: A. C. Knights 1, Mrs. J. Dodds 2, Miss J. Geiringer 3, Miss P. Rogers 4, M. P. Thomas 5, M. Uphill 6, G. Dodds 7, K. Newman 8, H. W. Rogers (cond.) 9, A. M. Johnson 10. First in method for 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8. Also on June 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: N. F. Felton 1, June Creak 2, Patricia Rogers 3, Mrs. K. Parr 4, M. P. Thomas 5, P. N. Felton (cond.) 6, H. W. Rogers 7. For Evensong.

IXWORTH, SUFFOLK.—On June 6th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: H. King 1, M. Rose 2, R. Rose 3, L. Wright 4, E. Bishop 5, K. Brown (cond.) 6. For the wedding of Miss Gloria Dawn Stannard and Mr. Dennis O. Cole.

KINGSTON-UPON-THAMES, SURREY.—On June 7th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Royal: Ruth Carr 1, Rosamund Rawlings 2, Caroline V. Carpenter 3, Deborah Hopkins 4, Judith M. Geiringer 5, Susan J. Newman 6, D. M. Wilkins 7, W. H. Jackson (cond.) 8, K. Newman 9, A. Bishop 10. First of Surprise Royal 2 and 3.

LAUNTON, OXON.—On June 4th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Bob and Plain Bob): A. P. Lewis (first quarter, age 12) 1, F. Sharpe 2, B. C. Corgin 3, E. J. Evans 4, C. H. Kirch (cond.) 5, B. A. Lewis (first quarter, age 14) 6. Rung for 1 and 6, who are leaving Bicester shortly.

LINCOLN.—At the Cathedral on June 3rd, 1,262 Cambridge Surprise Royal: J. L. Millhouse (cond.) 1, Miss J. M. Gurnhill 2, S. A. Chambers 3, H. L. Pask 4, L. Willders 5, W. Tomlinson 6, G. H. Randes 7, J. Walder 8, G. Paul 9, R. F. Smith 10. Rung for the anniversary of H.M. Queen's coronation.

LONDON.—At Southwark Cathedral on June 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. E. Reed 1, Gerda Barascl 2, L. C. Way 3, N. R. Waite 4, A. G. Tyers 5, R. W. Powell 6, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 7, J. E. Price 8. Rung for Evensong on the back eight.

LONDON, STAFFS.—On May 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. W. Bowen 1, C. M. Smith (cond.) 2, C. T. Collins (first in method 'inside') 3, Lucy Smith 4, L. Monk 5. For Evensong.

LYMPNE, KENT.—On June 7th, 1,272 Minimus: A. Neilson 1, Myrtle Cook 2, Elizabeth Todd 3, R. P. Brotheron 4, R. Harman 5. For Evensong.

NORTHMOOR, OXON.—On June 11, 1,261 Grandsire Doubles: F. Trinder 1, B. Cstair 2, N. Leslie 3, V. Clifton 4, D. Leslie (cond.) 5, P. Trinder 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mr. Charles Bowsh, interred this day.

OLD WOLVERTON, BUCKS.—On June 2nd, 1,260 Doubles: R. A. Vickers 1, G. Orchard 2, W. A. Yates 3, F. Pateman 4, G. W. Holland (cond.) 5.

PRESTON, RUTLAND.—On May 31st, 1,250 Grandsire Doubles: Miss E. A. Sadler 1, A. Naylor 2, F. D. Mitchell 3, N. N. Beedham 4, J. C. Hudson (cond.) 5, R. Sparrow (first quarter) 6. Rung after the dedication of the new treble bell.

PUTNEY, LONDON.—On May 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Gerda Barascl 1, A. R. Millidge 2, J. E. Dennis (first of Grandsire Triples) 3, R. J. Coates 4, C. F. Mew 5, B. H. Coatsworth 6, D. C. Brookes 7, J. E. Price 8. Jointly conducted by the ringers of 2, 5 and 7.

ROWLEY REGIS, STAFFS.—On April 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Coley 1, K. Chatwin 2, A. Roberts 3, C. R. Tandy (cond.) 4, D. Chiswell 5, G. Chiswell 6. A 21st birthday compliment to Miss Jean Chiswell, a ringer at this church.

SHENSTONE, STAFFS.—On May 31st, 1,261 Grandsire Doubles: C. T. Collins 1, Lucy Smith (cond.) 2, L. Monk 3, C. W. Bowen (first in method 'inside') 4, C. M. Smith 5. Rung immediately after Evensong. Also on June 7th, 1,260 Doubles (240 Southrepps, 240 April Day, 540 Plain Bob, 240 Grandsire): Audrey F. Birch 1, E. Can 2, Lucy Smith 3, C. M. Smith (cond.) 4, D. R. Starkey 5. First in more than one variation 1, 2 and 5. For Evensong.

STOGUMBER, SOMERSET.—On May 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Double: R. A. Ford 1, J. J. Ford 2, R. Penay 3, R. Somerfield 4, E. J. Ford (cond.) 5, W. Webber 6. To celebrate the 21st birthday of Raymond Ford.

TEWKESBURY, GLOS.—At the Abbey Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin on May 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Robertson 1, Anne Broxton 2, Nadine Price 3, A. Halling 4, M. Hawkes 5, J. Attwood, Jr. 6, E. Penn (cond.) 7, M. Baskett 8. First of Triples 1 and 8. For Evensong.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.—On May 31st, 1,260 Doubles (five methods, 7, 6, 8 covering): Mrs. J. Lee 1, J. J. Jefferies 2, D. A. Burt 3, J. R. Hobby 4, A. F. Lee (cond.) 5, I. Cox (first quarter) 6, T. J. Miskom 7, P. R. Young 8. To celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. F. Keeling.

WANDSWORTH, LONDON.—At the Church of All Saints' on June 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Jean Egerton (first on eight bells) 1, N. F. Edwards 2, Margaret E. Fort 3, Wendy Griffin (first of Triples) 4, J. E. Reed 5, R. C. Stevens 6, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 7, R. G. Twyman 8. For the institution and induction of the Rev. Ian K. W. Savie, M.A., as Vicar.

WHIMPLE, DEVON.—On June 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Ann Giles (first quarter) 1, Pat Pavey (first 'inside') 2, W. Harvey 3, P. Pavey (first 'inside') 4, K. Wannell (cond.) 5, E. Giffis 6.

WIMBLEDON.—On May 17th, 1,280 London Surprise Major: G. Reynolds 1, Judith Geiringer 2, Rosamund Rawlings 3, Susan Newman 4, Vanessa Rodrigues 5, Deborah Hopkins 6, M. Bingham 7, K. Newman (cond.) 8. Also on May 23rd, 720 Double Oxford Minor, 540 Plain Bob Minor: Marian Balkwill 1, Judith Geiringer 2, Vanessa Rodrigues 3, G. Reynolds 4, A. Bazworth 5, A. Bishop (cond.) 6. Also on May 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Elizabeth Zass 1, Vanessa Rodrigues 2, Judith Geiringer 3, Rosamund Rawlings 4, Alan Bazworth 5, M. Bingham (cond.) 6, G. Reynolds 7, W. Cooper-Bailey (first quarter) 8.

WITHYHAM, SUSSEX.—On May 23rd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: T. Lewis 1, D. P. Smith 2, R. Davies 3, K. Taber 4, D. Cox 5, B. Jeffrey 6, J. W. Smith (cond.) 7, R. J. Talbot 8.

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MISCELLANEOUS

GUILD AND DISTRICT SECRETARIES. — Will those sending Notices of meetings to 'The Ringing World' note the new charge is 4s. for 30 words and 1½d. a word extra.

HITCHIN, HERTS.—As from Sunday, June 20th, service ringing will take place from 8.45 to 9.30 a.m. and 5.45 to 6.30 p.m. Practice night Monday, 7.45 p.m.—A. R. Agg. 4870

YATESBURY bellringers would like to thank all R.A.F. friends who gave so generously to the bell fund. The third bell is now rehung and will be dedicated on Sunday, July 12th at 6 p.m. All ringers are welcome. 4815

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MEETINGS

DEVON GUILD.—Annual Festival, Exeter, June 20th. Service, St. Mark's, 4 p.m., preacher the Bishop of Plymouth. Tea and meeting St. Mark's Hall. Numbers for tea to Mr. C. Densham, 27, Monkswell Road, Exeter. Ringing Cathedral 1.30-3, and 6-8. Heavitree 2-3.30. St. Mark's 3-4, St. Petrock 6-7, St. Thomas 7-8. Cox memorial dedicated by the Dean. 2.30. 4797

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Hilgay, Saturday, June 20th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—I. Fox, Dis. Sec. 4856

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District.—Meeting, Saturday, June 20th. Ringing at Albury 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Ringing afterwards at Shere. (No ringing 7-7.15.) Names for tea to Mr. H. Arthur, Cambria, Peaslake, near Guildford. 4794

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—North Myms, June 20th. Bells (8) 3.15 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea following. Names, please, to Mrs. T. J. Lock, 57, Holloway's Lane, North Myms, Hatfield, Herts. S.M.; Glasgow.—M. A. Coburn, Dis. Sec. 4820

BACK NUMBERS

'The Ringing World' has received a very generous gift of back numbers dating from 1919 to 1959. While some are brown with the passing of years, the majority are clean and serviceable. We propose to offer these to readers who want to complete their files. The charge will be 8d. per copy post free.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Bacup, on Saturday, June 20th. Tower open for ringing at 3 p.m. Cups of tea at 5 p.m. (No business. Please note change of tower.) Members and non-members cordially invited.—R. Holt, Branch Sec. 4876

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practice on June 20th at All Hallows', Twickenham. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30, followed by tea. Ringing in evening at Feltham, to finish at 7.30 p.m. All towers, please pay up 1964 subscriptions.—F. T. B. 4872

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Reading Branch.—Summer meeting, June 20th at Mapledurham. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea to Rev. E. B. Wood, The Vicarage, Mapledurham, Reading. 4848

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD (Thrapston Branch) and ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (Hunts District).—Joint meeting at Leighton Bromswold, Saturday, June 20th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Titchmarsh (8) available after tea.—F. Coles and M. J. Dyer, Dis. Secs. 4832

SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS & SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD (North Notts District).

Joint meeting at Warsop (Cuckney also available) on Sat., June 20th, at 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. H. Rooke, 9, Yorke Terrace, Warsop. No name no tea, so do send in on time. —P. Nix, H. Denman, Secs. 4845

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Quarterly meeting at Hurstpierspoint (8), Saturday, June 20th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Evening ringing until 7.45 p.m. Handbells afterwards. Name, for tea, please, to J. R. Norris, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierspoint.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—Meeting at Kidderminster, 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 20th. Service 4.15. Tea and business. Names for tea, please, to Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane, Pedmore, Stourbridge, Worcs.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Annual meeting, Saturday, June 20th, at Collingham. Bells available 3 p.m. No tea arrangements. District Committee will meet at 4.15 p.m. and the election of officers at 6.30 p.m. Reports will be available. Practice methods: St. Clement's C.B.M. and Belgrave S.M.—R. J. Lumley, Hon. Dis. Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Chippenhams Branch.—Evening meeting Colerne, Wednesday, June 24th. Bells 6.45 to 9 p.m. Come and ring at one of the noblest towers in Wiltshire. 4875

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Branch.—Practice meeting at Loxton (6), Saturday, June 27th, 5 p.m.—M. Legg, Hon. Branch Sec. 4867

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bath Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, June 27th, at Freshford. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 (preacher, the Archdeacon of Bath). Tea and meeting to follow. Wellow (6) available after tea. Names for tea, please, by June 24th to Rev. F. Pollard, The Rectory, Freshford, near Bath.—Alan F. Lee, Branch Sec.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—Meeting Saturday, June 27th, Eaton Bray. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, not later than 25th, to Mr. C. Brown, 1, The Camp, Eaton Bray, near Dunstable, Beds. Studham bells after tea. 4878

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Crewe Branch.—Tarporely, June 27th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by June 24th.—W. Kerr, 107, Moreton Road, Crewe. 4874

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wirral Branch.—Biston, June 27th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea provided free for those notifying by Thursday previous.—Alexander J. Martin, 28, Glenmore Road, Oxtan, Birkenhead. 4877

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Misson, Saturday, June 27th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. Names by previous Thursday at latest to Mr. C. Warden, Belmont House, Station Road, Misson. 4863

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Rural Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, June 27th. Tytherington. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Tea for those who order only from Mr. R. Williams, Brook Farm, Tytherington, near Bristol. 4814

LADIES' GUILD.—Eastern District.—Meeting at Kirby-le-Soken (8) on Saturday, June 27th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Also Great Holland (8) 6.30-7.30 and Thorpe-le-Soken (6) 7.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. U. Wildney, Laurel Cottage, Kirby-le-Soken, Essex.—A. E. J. Lester, Dis. Sec. 4838

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Next meeting, Batley, Saturday, June 27th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea for those who notify by previous Thursday, Mrs. R. Pygott, 8, Denby View, Thornhill, Dewsbury. 4871

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual festival will be held in Oxford on Saturday, June 27th, 9.45 a.m. Corporate Communion; 11 a.m. Festival Service at Christ Church Cathedral; 12 noon annual meeting in the Chapter House; 1.30 p.m. luncheon in the Dining Hall. Ringing arrangements as on agenda. Luncheon tickets (7s. each) from Mr. A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Church Lane, Wexham, Slough, Bucks. Names, together with remittance, by Tuesday, June 23rd.—Marie R. Cross, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4541

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northampton Branch.—Meeting at Roade, Saturday, June 27th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to Mr. A. Cozens, 28, Hyde Road, Roade. 4839

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Rutland Branch.—Joint meeting, Rutland and Melton Branches at Whissendine (6 bells), Saturday, June 27th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at Three Horse Shoes 5 p.m. Names for tea to W. C. A. Clark, Middle Street, Wing, by Tuesday previous. 4841

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Towcester Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Blakesley on Saturday, June 27th. Names for tea by Monday previous to W. A. Yates, 4, Bannerlands, Dadford, Buckingham. 4823

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ANNUAL RINGING FESTIVAL held jointly with the LADIES' GUILD, Saturday, June 27th.

Ringing will take place in the following towers:

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1.30-3.30, Fulney (8), Spalding (8);

2-5 Moulton (6);

2.30-4.30, Whaplode (6), Holbeach (8),

Fleet (6), Gedney Hill (5);

3.30-5, Gedney (6), Long Sutton (8),

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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Salisbury Branch.—Practice meeting, June 27th. Britford. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday, 23rd, to G. A. Trimby, 24, West Street, Wilton. 4862

SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, Hemingbrough, Saturday, June 27th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Please provide own food, cups of tea only available.—L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec. 4868

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Newark District.—Meeting at Harby, Saturday, June 27th. (Please note date.) Bells 3 o'clock. Cups of tea provided in Harby Vicarage at 5 p.m. South Scarle bells available in the evening.—B. N. Reed. 4866

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—Practice meeting at Ripe (5) and Laughton (6) on June 27th. Ringing: Ripe 3 till 4.30, Laughton 6.15 till 8 p.m. Service (Ripe) 4.30. Tea (Chalvington) 5.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, to I. Smith, Sec., 37, Wellington Gardens, Battle. 4828

Notice of Meeting WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD

The annual general meeting will be held on Saturday, June 27th, at Basingstoke. Meeting 2.30 p.m. in St. Michael's Church Cottage. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Chesterman, Leacroft, Sherborne St. John, Basingstoke, by June 23rd, at latest. Ringing arrangements:

Route 1.—Whitchurch, 9.15—10 a.m.; Overton 9.45—10.30 a.m.; Deane 10.15—11 a.m.; Oakley 11—11.45 a.m.; Wootton St. Lawrence, 11.30 a.m.—12.15 p.m.; Basingstoke (All Saints), 9, 12.15—1 p.m.

Route 2.—Kingsclere, 9.15—10 a.m.; Wolverton, 9.45—10.30 a.m.; Baughurst, 10.15—10.45 a.m.; Bramley, 10.30—11.15 a.m.; Sherborne St. John, 11.15—12 noon; Basingstoke (All Saints) 12.15 p.m.

After tea.—Basingstoke (St. Michael's and All Saints) until 8.30 p.m.; Laverstoke, Sherborne St. John, 7.30—8.15 p.m.; Wolverton, 7.30—8.30 p.m.

R. Roger Savory—Hon. Gen. Sec.

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Quarterly general meeting at Fairfield, Saturday, July 4th. Service, Fairfield, 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Bells available: Swanwick (6), 9.15—10.15 a.m.; Ashover (8), 10.45—11.45 a.m.; Sheen (6), 2-3 and 7-8 p.m.; Burbage (6), 2.30-4 and after meeting; Fairfield (8), 3.30-4.30 and after meeting; also Darley Dale (8), 8-9 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. E. Ellison, 70, King's Road, Fairfield, Buxton, by June 30th.—B. P. Morris, Sec. 4879

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Striking competition final at Gosfield, July 4th, start 2.30 p.m. Prompt. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss H. Snowden, Cherry Cottage, Gosfield, before July 1st.—H. Turner, Deputy Master.

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OUR AMERICAN SUPPLEMENT

The Editor thanks those who have sent appreciative letters in connection with Mr. G. W. Pipe's graphic story and photographs of the Washington visit.

Copies of the issue of June 12th are still available at the usual price. The supplement can also be purchased separately, price 3d.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wellingborough Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Wollaston, Saturday, July 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Tuesday to Rev. Cummins, Wollaston Vicarage, Wollaston, near Wellingborough.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.—Quarterly meeting at Coleshill, July 4th. Bells (8) available 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Please notify for tea.—G. E. Fearn, 92, Etwell Road, Hall Green, Birmingham 28. Phone SPR 1025. 4824

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Dorchester Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Wool on Saturday, July 4th. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea, followed by meeting, 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, July 1st, to Mr. L. G. N. Williams, 47, Spring Street, Wool, Wareham, Dorset.—R. H. Duke, Hon. Sec. 4865

LADIES' GUILD.—Annual general meeting, Macclesfield, July 11th. Committee meeting 1 p.m. (Parish Rooms). Service 3.30. St. Michael's. Tea 4.30, followed by meeting. Names for tea, please, with cash (4s. 6d. each) to Mrs. H. L. Horn, 13, Cherington Crescent, Macclesfield, by Monday, July 6th. No name no tea. Towers available, 10-11 a.m., Bollington. Congleton: 10.30-11.30. Gawsforth: 11 a.m.-noon, Prestbury: 10.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m., Nether Alderley, Sutton, Chelford: 1.30-3.15. St. Peter's, Christ Church: 6. St. Michael's, Christ Church, St. Peter's: 7 p.m., Bollington, Prestbury, Gawsforth, Congleton, Chelford, Sutton. 4869

LATE NOTICES

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Fylde Branch.—Meeting at St. Ann's Church, Singleton, on Saturday, June 27th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. 4882

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Southern Branch.—Evening practice meeting at Attleborough, Saturday, June 27th. Bells (6) 6.30 to 9 p.m.—C. F. W. Phillips, Hon. Sec. 4883

SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY. Est. 1623.—The 341st anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Saturday, June 27th. Bells (12) available 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Twelve bell ringing guaranteed. Service at noon. Lunch 4s. 6d. and tea 2s. for those who notify me by June 25th.—L. E. Pitstow, 4, Highfields, Phone 2074. 4881

RADLETT, HERTS.—Dedication of new ring of six bells by Mears, tenor 3 cwt., by the Vicar of Radlett on Sunday, June 28th, at 6.30 p.m. Ringing after the service until 9 p.m. All ringers welcome. Practice night Wednesday.—Ranald Clouston, 1, Canons Close, Radlett (6286). 4886

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Betley on Saturday, July 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, July 1st, to J. Kent Plum Tree Farm, Church Lane, Betley, Cheshire.—G. C. Beech, Hon. Sec. 4885

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Quarterly meeting, July 11th. Ringing: St. Stephen's, Rochester Row, 3.4-3.30 p.m.; St. Luke's, Chelsea, 7-8 p.m. Tea, South Kensington Restaurant, near South Kensington underground station, 5 p.m. Names for tea to F. J. Matthews, 6, Foxwood Road, Bean, near Dartford, Kent. 4884

SWANSEA & BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD

Ringing Competition

Neath ringers were the lucky ones to win the Guild's shield in this year's ringing competition, held at St. Thomas' Church, Neath, on May 23rd.

The seven bands entered were: Cadoxton, Neath, Glasbury, St. Mary's (Brecon), Newton Nottage, Sketty No. 1 and No. 2. The competitive spirit throughout was very keen, and the striking and rising and falling had much improved from previous years. The adjudicator, Mr. Gwyn Thomas, in his summing up, stated that he had thought it necessary to add credit points. The results were (out of a possible 240 points): 1 Neath, 220 points; 2 Cadoxton, 216 points; 3 Glasbury, 203 points.

The Rector gave a warm welcome, and added that one thing the competition had done was to create greater interest among his young church bellringers, and induce them to ring regularly for Sunday services. He was more than pleased that they had won the shield.

The Master, Mr. Malcolm Johns, thanked the Rector and those responsible for the excellent tea. J. A. H.

A YORKSHIRE OUTING

Accompanied by wives and friends, ringers from Horbury, Ossett and Rothwell, had their second annual outing on May 23rd in delightful countryside and perfect weather, matched by Irvin's arrangements, but not, unfortunately, by the ringing.

Perhaps our best touches came after tea, on the majestic eight at Bridlington, where at least we rang some passable Stedman, although it must be admitted that we had not a band to do full justice to so glorious a ring.

The day had begun inauspiciously, with some unsteady ringing at Goole. There, as elsewhere, our learners, unaccustomed to the long draught in the belfry, had difficulty in handling; yet the more proficient had their troubles, too, for both Kent and Stedman refused to go.

Fortified by a first-rate lunch in Hull, we moved on to the fine octave at Hedon—beautiful bells, which will run, so that we suffered by ringing them too slowly. Stedman failed again, and our best here was a course of Double Norwich.

Our third calling-place was Patrington, where the soaring spire, rightly renowned, was the subject of our wonder; while the intriguing mode of access to the belfry excited not a little speculation in the way of ingenious suggestions as to the best manner of negotiating the catwalk and gave rise to dark rumours concerning the dwarfs of Holderness. The ringing here was undistinguished, save that Stedman eventually came round.

Grateful thanks are offered to all who met us and to the respective incumbents. R. B.

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