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#### ST. MARY-LE-TOWER, IPSWICH, APPEAL

WITH some temerity I approach the front page of "The Ringing World" with such a mundane topic as an appeal, especially when we are usually regaled with leaders from such distinguished pens as those of E.C.S., R.B.M., W.S., The Professor and others. Added to that, asking for money in any form is not the most pleasant aspect of one's ringing activities. However, the Editor has kindly allowed me to do this, and I trust that readers will not only hear me out but in actual fact not dash to the peal columns quite so quickly! I write of St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, the civic church of the County of Suffolk.

I am a Suffolk man and proud of it, but I have to admit in the face of the Exercise that, delightful though our county is, and thriving its county town, we tend in many respects to be backward and perhaps a little narrow in outlook. This unfortunately is particularly so in the case of Ipswich, its churches and its bells. Let me cite an example. In 1957 a restoration appeal was launched for £25,000 for St. Mary-le-Tower—its fabric, organ, interior decorating, heating and lastly, bells. Ipswich is a wealthy industrial town, and yet, despite efforts by committees and individuals alike, even after seven years the target halfway mark has only just been passed. It is estimated and virtually confirmed that a maximum of £500 per annum (equivalent to 1d. per head per annum) is all that may be expected to be added to the fund. A quick calculation soon shows that at this rate it could be another 20, yes 20, years before the goal is reached.

To those of us interested in the welfare of this particular church this news is nauseating enough, but when one realises that of the projects mentioned the restoration of the bells comes last on the list, then the picture looks very black indeed.

St. Mary-le-Tower as a 12-bell ringing centre needs no introduction. It would be fair to say that up to 1939, outside Birmingham and London which have for 200 years been bastions of 12-bell ringing, especially Cinques, Ipswich was second to none in its penetration and success in the Maximus field. From the earlier peals of Treble Bob and "Norwich Twelve" to the first peal ever of Cambridge S. Maximus in 1908 (in which Bill Pye journeyed down from London to take part), through a whole galaxy of methods, this tower has been a byword in achievement and standard. Hundreds of famous ringers visited us for a peal, often their first, of Stedman Cinques or Cambridge Maximus, and from its band sprang composers and conductors of the highest order.

However, in those days of limited travel and rings of 12, Ipswich bells were considered no doubt quite a good ring. And tragic too, though certainly not uncommon, was the unhappy fact that few beginners were taught there, and if one wasn't able to ring Cinques or Maximus then one wasn't apparently made very welcome. Added to this, despite prolific peal ringing no provision was made to keep the bells up to scratch.

So today, and let us be quite open about the fact, St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich figures amongst the three worst twelves in the country. At least seven of the ring need recasting, the whole ring retuning and rehanging in a new frame. This work *must* be done, and for Ipswich and Suffolk ringers generally and for the ringing Exercise at large I feel it must be done in the very near future.

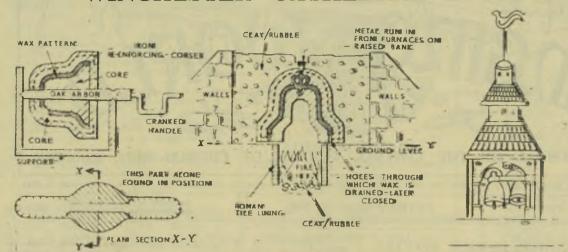
Readers will quite justifiably feel that if this is the case then the matter rests squarely at the door of Ipswich people themselves. Unfortunately they are right, but try as they may the Restoration Committee seem unable to step up the annual revenue, and try as I may my efforts to point out the necessity and value of a good ring of bells and the urgent need for their repair have been in vain. Quite recently as a final thrust, but in no way committing the ringing community, I intimated that the Suffolk Guild would endeavour to raise £1,000 as an approximate one-fifth part of the cost of renovating the bells.

My first thought in an endeavour to reach this figure was to circularise all Suffolk Guild members. This has just been done. Next to approach all Associations through the medium of this article. Many of these supported me most generously when I appealed from Melbourne (now the proud possessors of a first-rate 12), but one is rather reluctant to encroach upon Guild funds when so many local rings need attention.

A third thought is this: Many ringers all over England have rung a peal at St. Mary-le-Tower and many would like to ring one when the bells are restored. May I ask these people to subscribe £1 (one pound) or whatever they feel they can best afford? To those individual members of Associations outside Suffolk who would also like to contribute, I can assure them that their donation will be gratefully received and acknowledged personally. May I also give the assurance that any moneys sent will definitely be appropriated to the Bell Fund and that a first-class job will be undertaken.

A small committee within the Suffolk Guild is being formed to organise various fund-raising functions, but at the same time we want to show the church that we are backing their cause as Christians and active church workers. (Continued on page 322)

### WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL DISCOVERIES



Possible reconstruction of method of 10th century bellfounding at Winchester, the trench at XY was approximately 17-ff long. The drawing on the right is a copy of the turret in the Chatsworth Benedictional of -St Ethelwold which may show these very

REFERENCE was made in a recent issue to the interesting discoveries at Winchester Cathedral of a bell foundry site beneath the Cathedral floor. Through the kindness of "The Foundry Trade Journal" we are privileged to publish the above illustration giving a possible reconstruction of the foundry. The burnt debris discovered probably represented a trench-furnace underneath the original bell-mould. This had served to melt out the wax pattern and bake the mould.

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The probable method by which this mould was made and cast was recorded in the first half of the 12th century in "De Diversis Artibus" by Theophilus. His description is roughly as follows: First, the founder took a length of squared dry-oak about eight inches longer at each end than the height of the bell, pointed at one end, tapered along its length and circumferentially grooved at the opposite end. The oak shaft was held horizontally by its pointed end being inserted in a hole in a supporting structure, the grooved end resting in a V of an upright which enabled the whole shaft to be rotated by means of a cranked handle attached to the grooved end.

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The founder then took wet clay and built The founder then took wet clay and built allowed it to dry. He then built up successive layers of clay allowing each layer to dry in turn before applying the next, until he had the shape of the inside of the bell he intended to cast. This clay core was then smoothed to exact shape by rough stone, as it was rotated.

LOST WAX PROCESS
Meanwhile, sheets of wax, the desired thickness of the bell, had been prepared by means of placing wax between two pieces of squared of placing wax between two pieces of squared wood lying on a smooth wet surface. The wax was then rolled out by a roller running along the top of the two pieces of wood. The wax sheets were slightly warmed and applied to the outside of the core, building up the pattern of the bell. When the wax pattern was of the correct shape, any inscription necessary was applied to, or incised in the surface of the wax.

Then a layer of levigated clay was applied to dry. Successive layers of clay as before were next applied to the outside of the pattern to form the bell cope. When a predetermined thickness had been achieved, a corset of steel bands was wrapped around

determined thickness had been achieved, a corset of steel bands was wrapped around the cope to reinforce the assembly, followed by several more layers of clay. The tanered shaft was then withdrawn and part of the clay core scooped out as "lightening" to permit easier contraction of the bell after casting. The hole through the pattern was filled in with wax, in which was embedded the anchoring end of the iron hook on which the bell clapper was later to be suspended. At

the same time, wax patterns for the "can-nons" (ears on which a bell is hung) were fitted to the top side of the bell, together with patterns in the same material to serve as

running systems, etc.

The bell mould at the Winchester site was probably erected mouth downwards over the probably erected mouth downwards over the trench (lined with reused Roman tiles) which has been discovered. A retaining wall was then built around the mould and filled in with rubble and clay. The fire was lighted to melt out the wax and bake the mould and core. It is thought that perhaps the metalmelting furnaces, of which no trace remains, were then erected on banks of earth at a higher level and the molten metal allowed to run down troughs into the bell mould. The resultant casting would then be probably de-cored at the earliest opportunity, because of the rigid construction and consequent danof the rigid construction and consequent dan-ger of cracking. The debris excavated at the site probably chiefly came from the ancient

ope and core.

It is known that there were bells at Winchester in the 10th century and an interesting drawing of them is in existence in part of an ancient illuminated manuscript associated with St. Ethelwold of Winchester, who was said to be a bellfounder. This manuscript shows an open campanile in which are suspended four bells, and it would not be too far-fetched to imagine that this site represents the spot where St. Ethelwold cast these very bells.

**CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY** 

The annual general meeting of the Cam-Cambridge University Guild was held on

Cambridge University Guild was held on April 28th in Professor Moule's room, Clare College.

The following were elected officers for the year 1965-66: President, William Ridgman (Queens'); treasurer, Brian Threlfall (Trinity); Master, Ken Darvill (St. Cath's); secretary, Charles Hobson (St. John's); librarian. Robin Shipp (Peterhouse); steeplekeeper, Stephen Darvill (Downing); auditor, Dr. C. M. P. Johnson (Selwyn); Central Council representatives, Brian Threlfall and Dr. C. M. P. Johnson. Johnson.

The president thanked the retiring officers for all they had done during the past year.

F. C. H.

ST. MARY-LE-TOWER APPEAL—contd.
Please give me whatever support you can
donations payable to St. Mary-le-Tower Bells
Fund will be placed in a separate bank account and after consultation perhaps invested in a Unit Trust. A bound book, "The Friends of St. Mary-le-Tower Belfry" is being donated and all donors will have their names recorded in it. Thank you all in anticipation. My address is 8, Lansdowne Road, Ipswich, Suffolk.

GEORGE W. PIPE.

#### SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD Marlborough Branch

Pleasing incidents during the meeting of the Marlborough Branch at Mildenhall on April 24th were the unanimous election of Mr. A. North as a life member of the Guild in recognition of his long and faithful service and the presentation of a certificate of proficiency to Miss Fuller by the chairman (Mr. G. Newman).

The past year was reviewed by the hon-secretary (Mr. T. A. Palmer), who reported a membership of 78 and the accounts slightly more favourable than a year ago. The running of a small bus to Sherborne for the Guild annual meeting was discussed and the next two meetings suggested were Colling bourne Kingston (May) and Aldbourne

The Rector (the Rev. E. G. Courtman) conducted the service and was host to the company for tea. The Rev. Roger Keeley was Ringing Master.

#### **Dorchester Branch**

The spring quarterly meeting of the Dorchester Branch took place at Cattistock on April 24th, the eight bells being available during the afternoon and evening.

The Guild service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. C. E. C. Brinkworth), who is also the Branch chairman. Tea was served in the Savill Hall by lady helpers to ringers and friends.

Subject to consent, fortnightly practices will be held at Bere Regis (May 22nd), Charminster (June 5th), Abbotsbury (June 19th) and St. Peter's, Dorchester (July 17th).

Next quarterly meeting at Piddlehinton on July 3rd.

#### UNIVERSITY OF WALES SOCIETY

A belated report of the University of Wales A belated report of the University of Wales Society's rag week tour from February 12th to 14th in the Vale of Glamorgan has now reached us. Some 23 members and friends participated, the first tower being Llanfeigan During the following day ringing took place in eight towers and included Yorkshire Surprise Major prise Major.

A very enjoyable dinner in a Cardiff restaurant preceded the annual general meeting at which the proposed Welsh Colleges Society was discussed, but as the Training College were not represented the matter was postponed. Miss Diane Bird was elected secretary, and a special meeting is to be held at Bulton Wells and Bronllys for the election of Ringing Master. Through the kindness of local bands, Sunday service ringing was St. John's, Cardiff, and Llandaff Cathedral.

### DERBY DIOCESAN'S ANNUAL

Subscription to Include Contribution to Bell Fund

A RECORD number of nearly 100 was pre-sent when the Association's 19th annual general meeting was held in Derby on April 24th. Ringing during the afternoon took place on the pleasant octave at St. Alkmund's and the ten at the Cathedral before the annual service in the Cathedral, conducted by Canon W. James, the lesson being read by the Diocesan Youth Chaplain, the Rev. T. H. Canfield Canfield.

Canfield.

After an excellent tea in St. Michael's Church Hall, the business meeting began with the president, the Very Rev. R. A. Beddoes (Provost of Derby), in the chair. In his opening remarks he paid tribute to the memory of Miss Elizabeth Foulk, of Duffield, who, in addition to being a founder member of the Association, was also a long-serving member of the Midland Counties Association and the Ladies' Guild. The Provost was particularly pleased to welcome Mr. J. Frank Smallwood and on behalf of the company extended to him sincere condolences on the sudden loss of his wife.

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Congratulating the Association on another year of progress, the chairman warned members against slackening off now that the Association was running so successfully. This, he said, they must not do at any price of else they would soon find themselves back in the doldrums, which would be a great tragedy. A record number of 406 (390 ringing, 16 nonorary) was reported by the general secretary (Mr. B. P. Morris), who gave a special welcome to the new band at Baslow. With regret he recorded the deaths of Messrs. B. Greatorex (Wirksworth) and P. Weston (Denby), together with Provost Ham of Derby, a former Association president.

OUTSTANDING PEALS

The report of the peal secretary, Mr. D.
R. Carlisle, showed that of the 59 peals rung last year, Major ringing was still the most popular (30 peals), with 20 of these being Surprise. The most outstanding peals were 4-Spliced Surprise Major and "silent" Yorkshire Major. Both Dronfield and Derby Cathedral were to be congratulated on ringing. Cathedral were to be congratulated on ringing peals of Bob Major and Grandsire Caters with

peals of Bob Major and Grandsire Caters with their Sunday service bands. Messrs, G. Halls and L. Goodall were the leading peal ringers with 22 peals each.

With regret, the general treasurer (Mr. J. C. Woolley) reported a loss of £4 over the year. Although it seemed commendable that £10 or 12½ per cent. of the total receipts from ringing subscriptions (£80) was received in voluntary donations, he regretfully added that the larger percentage of members only paid the minimum subscription. He was very pleased, however, to report that out of a total membership of almost 400 only eight subscriptions (i.e., two per cent.) were unpaid.

total membership of almost 400 only eight subscriptions (i.e., two per cent.) were unpaid. In contrast, the Bell Repair Fund, to which 73 Parochial Church Councils had subscribed, was in a healthy financial position with a balance of almost £270. During the year technical help and advice had been given to Charlesworth, Sandiacre, Risley, St. Alkmund's, Derby. Trusley and Baslow, with grants having been made towards the new ringing room at Bolsover (£20), improved lighting at Derby Cathedral (£2) and the new floor at Clowne (£4).

Moving their formal adoption, Mr. D. R. Carlisle said they were immensely grateful for the large amount of work and the great deal

of care that had obviously gone into the various reports and balance sheet. Several and balance sheet. alterations to rules were then considered, the tirst being that bell consultants should be appointed by the General Committee and not as at present by the Districts. After a short discussive this discussion this was carried.

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As the next two motions, to allow the Bell Repair Fund secretary to also act as special consultant on bells to the Diocesan Advisory Committee and to create an official post of Association Education Officer to organise ringing courses, only served to regularise the position at present, they met no opposition and were also carried.

BELL FUND AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

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The next alteration to rule was more controversial, namely, to raise the subscription of
adult members to 6s. 6d. and junior to 4s., and
that from the income from this source 15 per
cent. would be paid into the Bell Repair Fund.
Explaining the reasons behind the increase, the Explaining the reasons behind the increase, the treasurer said that in his opinion the increase from subscriptions should cover all expenses, but this did not happen as the average expenditure per ringer (4s. 10d.) was much higher than the average income per ringer (4s.). This meant that the reserves were continually dwindling and had dropped by £20 over the last three years.

With regard to the Bell Repair Fund percentage, Mr. Woolley said that apart from the Parochial Church Council subscriptions, the only other income was from collections at quarterly meetings. As a result the active members who attended all meetings contributed four times whilst non-active members got awak scot-free. Although most of the

got awak scot-free. Although most of the company were in favour of Mr. Woolley's sentiments and appreciated the basic need for an increase, the 15 per cent. levy proved to be a bone of contention. After a lively discussion it was decided to accept the increase with the proviso that the General Committee should decide what percentage of the income should be transferred to the Bell Repair Fund. The officers were respected en bloc wir. Pre-

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Several new members were elected and a collection for the Bell Repair Fund realised almost £5, and the meeting concluded with a authorities and local company, together with the ladies for catering so well. Further ringing then took place at the Cathedral and also on the light eight at St. Peter's. M. P. P.

#### GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

The Farnham District did well to organise two meetings in one week. On Easter Monday about 30 ringers tried the long draught eight at Yorktown, where some good ringing was accomplished in spite of a broken stay.

The recently-dedicated eight at Farnborough were available on the following Saturday and some of the younger ringers from heavier rings soon found the light bells difficult to handle. The Rector (Canon H. B. Hutchinson) conducted the service, and tea, provided son) conducted the service, and tea, provided by local lady members, was free for those who had notified. The excellent meal was much appreciated. Ringing up to Spliced Surprise continued until 9 p.m.

#### WIVELISCOMBE HAS NOW BELLS TO BE PROUD OF

On Palm Sunday the bells of 'St. Andrew's On Palm Sunday the bells of St. Andrews Church, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, were hallowed and rededicated by the Rt. Rev. D. J. Wilson, Assistant Bishop of Bath and Wells. He was attended by the Master of the Guild, the Rev. H. F. Warren, and the service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. J. C. S. Chamberlain. Chamberlain.

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Two of the bells had been recast and the remainder retuned and provided with new clappers by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank. The enthusiastic band of ringers at Wiveliscombe provided £25, which the Guild augmented by £35. But the largest contribution came from Mr. H. V. Young, who a few years back left Leatherhead to retire to Watterrow, the village of his boyhood. He generously gave £400 and the month of the dedication of the bells coincided with the 50th anniversary of his election as a member of the Bath and Wells Association. The other £200 was the gift of the Vicar. the Vicar.

An open day was held at Wiveliscombe on April 24th and was well attended although the weather was very unkind. During tea, provided free by the wives of local ringers, a recording of the bells was played. Firstly, the bells were heard in rounds and changes before and after receiving attention at the foundry. Then each bell was heard singly six times be-Then each bell was heard singly six times before and after so that an exact comparison could be made. All agreed that they had not realised how poor the bells were and how great an improvement had been accomplished, with many thanks to the founders. These bells, with a tenor of 16 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb., now have a very good tone. Six of the bells were cast by Baily and Street of Bridgwater in 1751, and the treble and tenor by Pannell Bros. of Cullompton in 1829, when the present church was completed—the old one having been pulled down. The seventh was recast by Warner of London in 1882. Warner of London in 1882.

#### OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

Attending the annual general meeting of the Witney and Woodstock Branch at Yarnton on April 24th was Mr. George Clarke, of Clanfield, whose 80th birthday fell on the following day. Appreciation of his 60 years as a ringer was expressed; he rang his first neal in 1907! peal in 1907!

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A membership of 132 was added to by the election of eight new members. Seventeen peals (including four for Sir Winston Churchill) and 26 quarters were rung during the year. Certificates were presented by Miss Marie Cross. Officers elected were: Chairman, Rev. P. Wilkins; vice-chairman, Mr. D. Smith; secretary, Mr. E. D. Patching; Ringing Master, Mr. D. Floyd; treasurers, Mr. A. Cantwell and Miss S. Cantwell; Guild Committee, Messrs. A. Cantwell and D. Floyd.

The Vicar (the Rev. A. C. Adcock) conducted the service, during which the choir sang an anthem and Nicholas Hare was organist. Ringers' wives and friends provided an ample tea in the Legion Hut.

Looking ahead: Ringing Competition, Standlake, September 25th; autumn meeting, Langford, October 23rd.

Ringing was later enjoyed at Kidlington. Woodstock and Cassington.

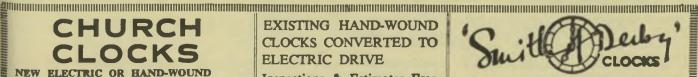
Correction.—The peal at Jarrow (page 281) was not Stephen J. Pardoe's first peal, but first peal on tower bells.

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#### Letters to the Editor

GRANDSIRE TRIPLES BACKWARDS

Dear Sir,—Mr. Hall's letter in your issue of April 30th draws attention again to an interesting possibility. There can, of course, be no objection to the bells going into changes at backstroke so long as no violation is done The recognised start would to the method. appear to be: 1234567 at handstroke

1234567 at handstroke
1325476 at backstroke
1325476 is then treated as the lead end, and
at the end of the peal or touch the last row
before rounds will be 2143657 (if the bells
come round at a plain lead) or 2135476 (if the
bells are to come round at a bob).

Mr. Hall may note, too, that it is possible
to start as follows:
1234567 at handstroke
1235476 at backstroke
in which case the bells must come round with

in which case the bells must come round with

a single.

Some years ago Mr. Frank Lufkin called a peal of Grandsire Caters going off into changes at backstroke, thereby securing a 5,040 at hand; and in April, 1946, Mr. Daniel Matkin conducted at Walsall a 5,000 of Lindoff's that started off at backstroke. To add to the fun, in this case, the bells went into changes in the interior of a six, and Mr. Matkin may remember the difficulty he had in explaining to us all how we set off, and also may recall how that very competent Stedman Cinques band had to have four starts!—Yours faithfully, Yours faithfully, EDGAR C. SHEPHERD

Warminster.

SECOND PLAIN BOB PEAL IN AFRICA

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Dear Sir,—The peal of Major at Salisbury,
Archaesia ("Rnging World," p. 281) is claimed
as the first of Plain Bob in Africa. I think
that Canon Ridout's efforts over the years
ought not to be forgotten; as early as 1909
in Johannesburg, 720's of Bob Minor were
being rung 'in hand." At St. Margaret's
Mission, on March 6th, 1930, Canon Ridout
conducted a peal of Bob Minor "in hand,"
and repeated the performance on May 7th,
vide "The Ringing World," April 11th, 1930.
—Yours sincerely,
Brighton. Brighton.

NO TRIPLES COLLECTION

Dear Sir,—The reason for Mr. Martin's difficulty about Oxford Bob Triples is that the 1935 Triples Collection was sold out in 1948. In 1954 I attended the Central Council meeting and asked for news of a new Collection. The president called for a show of hands. From memory, I think the voting was—for a Collection, 11; against, 0. A year later the report of the Methods Committee was very brief but included thanks to me for the work I had done on Spliced Triples, some of which can be found in the leaflets I gave to the librarian and are still in stock. It is evident the Methods Committee has no intention of publishing a new Collection. It evident the Methods Committee has no intention of publishing a new Collection. It would be interesting to know who decides these matters, the Council or the members of a small committee. A vote by the Council of this year's meeting may not be the same as in 1954. But this is beside the point. Printing was cheaper 11 years ago. — Yours sincerely, JOHN SEGAR. Skegness.

A QUESTION FOR COMPOSERS

Dear Sir,—For some time I have been interested in "other" Triples methods such as Oxford Bob, Double Oxford and Court. etc. I have wondered many times why it is that extents cannot be obtained by use of the standard Grandsire bobs and singles and instead, the Holt's bob single must be used. Surely in methods with a Grandsire start such as Oxford Bob, Double Oxford and St. Clement's it would work out. Perhaps some of the experts would be happy to enlighten me.—Yours fraternally.

ROLAND BENISTON.

Coalville, Leics.

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Dear Sir,—My sympathies have been very much with Mr. Woolley in his criticisms of "The Ringing World's" dependence on charity. I wonder if the assumption that postal subscribers would drop from 5,600 to 5,000 if the postal rate was raised to 1s. per copy is correct. Perhaps a sample survey would show if this is so.

Personally I would rather pay an increased subscription than give donations for quarter peals. I regarded the threat of ditching quarters not accompanied by a donation as a form of blackmail, because there is no formal understanding that any payment is required. It might be better if there was such an understanding.

Long may "The Ringing World" flourish but not by underhand means.—Yours faithfully,

MICHAEL C. E. HODGE,

Fitzwilliam House, Cambridge.

Note.—The understanding is generally recognised by quarter peal ringers. Judging from a "stop list" of over 100 subscribers who did not renew at the beginning of April. the Editor does not share the optimism of reader Hodge.

#### MINOR METHODS

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Dear Sir,—With reference to the section on page 294 of "The Ringing World" of the Index of Minor Methods compiled by Mr. Chant, the peal in 1749 in which Francis Goodwill was first rung took place at Brandeston Church, Suffolk, and in the same peal the method mentioned immediately above it (Francis Genius) was also rung (presumably for the first time), the other methods being London, Cambridge, Oxford Treble Bob. Court Bob and Grandsire Bob.

Both methods were no doubt named after the ringer of the third (Sam Francis) and there is a note on the peal board which states that they were both "composed by this Society."

My younger daughter and I have a personal interest in the above peal as we are almost certainly distantly related to and probably direct descendants of the ringers of the second and fourth (Thomas Bradlaugh senior and junior), and not long ago we had the privilege and pleasure of taking part in ringing for Sunday service when on a visit to Brandeston, where members of the Bradlaugh family still live.—Yours faithfully,

A. C. B. (BRADLAUGH) PEARCE.

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CARBIS BAY, CORNWALL.—On May 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Barbara Duck 1, E. H. Langley 2, D. Stephens 3, A. Locke 4, A. J. Davidson (cond.) 5, C. W. Linnington 6. For May Day.

#### OXFORD BOB TRIPLES

Dear Sir,—In reply to Mr. Edward Martin ("Ringing World," page 292), I enclose com-positions for a full peal and a quarter peal of Oxford Bob Triples.—Yours sincerely,

DAVID C. BROOKES.

Putney, S.W.

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457326—1
574263-2
635274—1
2365745
672453-4
346725—3
743625—5
257643-1
652743—5

Twce repeated.

#### 5,040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES

	J. J. Parker's 234567	Ten-Part. 235476
	672534—1 456723—3	762435—1 467235—5
	234756—1 562734—1	354267—1 253467—5
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Note.—Mr. J. Booker. of 378, Easebourne Lane Midhurst, offers Mr. Martin a composition. He points out that Backward Grandsire Triples could not have been rung at Midhurst as there are only six bells. Other readers are thanked for their letters on this subject.—Ed.

#### THE RINGERS' HANDBOOK

Dear Sir,—I am sorry to say that I shall have to put up the price of "The Ringers Handbook." It is, unfortunately, a familiar tale. For some years I have managed to absorb the rising costs of paper, printing packing and postage, but now the increased postal rates which come in on May 17th make postal rates which come in on May 1/th make this no longer possible. From that date the prices will be as follows:
6-bell edition, 3/9 each; six for £1 1 0.
8-bell edition, 5/6 each; six for £1 1 6.
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Yours faithfully.
MARY POWELL.

Poleshill Cottage, Langford Budville, Wellington, Som.

GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Dear Sir.—If Mr. Ivan Merry followed the series of articles on "Grandsire Triples" in last year's "R.W." he will find on page 666 a touch of 111 changes, with "Queens" at the second call, i.e.: 234567

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-Yours sincerely. ALAN A. J. BUSWELL. Cosham, Hants.

### MIDDLESEX ANNUAL AT SOUTHGATE

A VARIETY of topics was discussed at the 63th annual general meeting of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild held at Southgate on May 1st. These included the preservation of old Guild the insurance of the tibrary, ringing VARIETY of topics was discussed at the reports, the insurance of the tibrary, ringing

The president, the Rev. G. C. Taylor, who gave the address at the Guild service, presided. He was supported by Mr. T. J. Lock. hon. secretary: Mr. F. W. Goodfellow, hon. treasurer; Mr. J. R. Mayne, Ringing Master: and Miss R. M. Foreman, hon. assistant sec-

The meeting opened with an act of remem-The meeting opened with an act of remembrance of those members who had died since the last meeting. These were the Bishop of Willesden (the Right Rev. G. E. Ingle), Canon C. C. Cox. Messrs. E. M. Atkins, H. Broughton, A. A. Hughes, F. C. W. Knight, W. Linter, A. McDonald, J. E. Rootes, F. W. Rogers, S. T. A. Russell, W. Sparrow, J. W. Unwin, L. J. Williams and H. T. Wilson. The Master (Mr. J. R. Mayne), in his report, said the same problems faced them year by year: the constant task of rebuilding bands by teaching and the preservation of high standards among the more experienced ringers. Although some aspirations were de-

ringers. Although some aspirations were de-caying in many fields of activity, they should strive not to lose them in their own art.

GIFT TO LIBRARY

Emphasising the importance of the pre-servation of early reports, the Master said only three complete sets of reports existed-in the library at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, with the general secretary and at St. John's, Hilin the library at St. Giles in the Fields, with the general secretary and at St. John's, Hillingdon. The first of these had been bound in six volumes and was the gift of Mr. Frank T. Blagrove. He appealed to members for copies of early reports.

A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Blagrove for his generous gift, and after discussion the General Committee was instructed to see to the insurance of the library.

The accounts presented by the hop treasurer.

The accounts were adopted.

The accounts presented by the hon, treasurer (Mr. F. W. Goodfellow) showed an excess of receipts over payments during the year of £10 5s, and assets of the Association amounting to £282. The accounts were adopted.

The hon, treasurer, on behalf of the Gueraria Committee when the standards to the committee of the comm

General Committee, submitted amendments to General Committee, submitted amendments to rules increasing members' subscriptions to 5s. per annum, except members at school, whose subscriptions would be 2s. 6d. Non-resident members' subscriptions would be 7s. 6d. Attention to the inadequacy of the present subscription was called by the hon auditor, Mr. Maurice Hodgson, in a letter which stated that 20s. in 1947 was now worth only 12s. The amendments were approved and will

The amendments were approved and will operate from January 1st, 1966.

62 NEW MEMBERS

The hon. secretary (Mr. T. J. Lock) read his report, which stated that a pleasing feature of the activities of the two District secretaries was to welcome 62 new ringing members, particularly P. D. Dawson-Taylor, a New Zealander now resident in Edgware; 35 non-resident life members, and Frederick Smith.

of Hillingdon, as an honorary life member. Virtually new bands had been formed at Barnet and Bedfont.

Barnet and Bedfont.

Personal congratulations were extended to Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Goodfellow on reaching an aggregate total of 80 years' service as ringers at St. John's, Hillingdon; to Reuben Sanders for ringing in a peal of Stedman Caters at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on the eve of his 90th birthday, on the same bell as he rang his first peal of Stedman Caters 56 years previously; to W. Langley, who had rung at Monken Hadley and for 40 years rang the tenor, in celebration of his 84th birthday. T. Collins, a ringer at Ruislip for 60 years, had retired from the tower. W. H. Coles gave a broadcast on the B.B.C. Home Service and had been approached to make a second broadcast. broadcast.

TWO FINE RECORDS

A total of 81 peals was rung, being nine more than last year; 58 were on tower bells and 23 on handbells. A record was twice established for Spliced Surprise Major on handbells of 18 and 20 methods. John R. Mayne was the composer and conductor of these two very fine records. The peal of Chartwell Surprise Major at Harrow Weald was specially named and rung as a 90th birth-day compliment to Sir Winston Churchill. The president asked if the B.B.C. could be

persuaded to give a lecture demonstration on

ringing.

Mr. A. W. Coles supported such demonstrations. From the Central Council's reports they knew that ringing had been treated by the B.B.C. as an effect "rather than a craft. Their records were in the effects library. He hoped to do his little bit towards altering this by being concerned in another broadcast on Tuesday, May 18th, at 4.45 in "Home This Afternoon."

Officers elected were: President, the Rev. G. C. Taylor; Ringing Master, Mr. J. R. Mayne; hon. treasurer, Mr. F. W. Goodfellow; hon. secretary, Miss R. M. Foreman; hon. librarian, Mr. G. A. Parsons; hon auditor, Mr. M. Hodgson. Elected to the Dinner Committee were Messrs. W. H. Coles, C. H. Neal, F. W. Goodfellow and Miss R. M. Foreman.

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The chairman proposed a vote of thanks to the Rev. M. H. MacLeod, Vicar of Southgate, for conducting the service and the use of the bells, to the incumbents of Enfield and Wood Green for their bells, to Mr. S. G. Peck for making local arrangements, and Mrs. Richardson and helpers for the excellent tea.

#### LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION ELECT A NEW PRESIDENT

HOSTS this year at the A.G.M. were the Wigan Branch, and they organised a first-class afternoon. Ringers moved in during the early afternoon and the spacious tower at Ormskirk was soon filled.

A large congregation heard Canon A. Hodgson, the incoming president, read the lesson, and the Rev. K. D. St. John Smith lesson, and the Rev. K. give his farewell sermon.

The annual meeting followed tea, and in his opening remarks the president said what a great deal or pleasure he had had during his

14 years of office.
On the item of election of officers, the president declared Mr. J. P. Partington re-elected as ringing secretary and Mr. J. F. Wood re-elected as treasurer. He then de-ciared Canon A. Hodgson elected as presi-dent and vacated the chair in his favour.

Canon Hodgson thanked the Preston and Furness Branches for their nomination and said how much he appreciated the honour conferred on him. His first duty was to make a presentation of an umbreila and a dozen cut-glass liqueur glasses to the returing president, who thanked the meeting for a well-kept secret.

#### LOSSES BY DEATH

The general secretary (Mr. F. Reynolds), in his report, stated that the following members nad died: Life ringing members, W. W. Larkey, Everston; Ernest Porter, Great Crosby; Joseph Hall, Miles Platting; Charles Mallinson, Colne; Ernest Taylor, Rawtenstall; Charles Sharples, Blackpool; Laurence J. Williams, Church. Ringing members, Charles Blackburn, St. Helens; Fred Blacklidge, Brindle; Charles Howarth, Haslington; James Taylor, Haslington. Haslington.

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The ringing secretary reported 157 peals rung for the Association in 1964. This did not include four peals published in "The Ringing World" as rung for the Lancashire Association but for which peal fees had not been paid as yet (February 22nd, 1965). These were Bristol S.M., Hornby, September 12th; 1964; London S.R., Worsley, December 5th, 1964; London S.R., Worsley, December 5th, 1964; Cambridge S. Max., Oldham, December 6th, 1964; and Stedman Caters, Manchester Cathedral, December 12th, 1964. The 157 peals consisted of Maximus 7, Cinques 2, Royal 12, Caters 1, Major 75, Triples 12, Minor 35, Doubles 9. Four of these—three Minor and one Major—were on handbells; nine of them were firsts for the Association. One hundred and seventy-three resident members (18.6 per cent.) took part and 24 rang their first peal. Fifty members shared the conducting, four their first as conductor. Leading conductor was J. Ashcroft, 19. Leading peal ringers: R. J. Parker 43, P. J. Crossthwaite 35, Margaret E. Fort and R. S. Starkie 33, J. H. Fielden 31, C. Crossthwaite 29 and J. P. Partington 28.

On behalf of the meeting Mr. N. M. Newby proposed thanks to all concerned with the success of the afternoon, particularly Mr. D. Jones and Mr. R. Kenrick, of the Wigan Branch.

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#### SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD Record Peal Total

MORE than 90 members and friends attended the 19th annual general meeting of the Southwell Diocesan Guild held at Retford on April 24th. A most enjoyable tea was served by North Notts District in the Ebsworth Hall. The bells of Ordsall, Babworth East and West Retford were put to good use and Sung Evensong was held in the Church of St. Swithun, East Retford, conducted by the Bingham District Chaplain, the Rev. F. Stepheni. Stepheni.

The business meeting was presided over by the Guild chairman, Mr. F. W. Mid-winter, who extended a warm welcome to all

winter, who extended a warm welcome to all members and visitors.

A minute's silence was observed for seven members who had passed away since the last annual meeting, namely, Mr. H. Smith (Gamston), Canon R. Leeper (Southwell), the Rev. S. M. I. Salt (Gamston), Mr. J. W. Wilson (Sutton-on-Trent), Miss G. Pritchett (Balderton), the Rev. F. W. H. Jessup (Rampton) and Mr. M. S. Ward (Nottingham St. Peter)

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The hon. general secretary (Mr. W. L. Exton) reported a membership of 469. an increase of nine. He stated that the standard of ringing had improved but that 12-bell pending a good resident 12-bell band.

**AUGMENTATIONS** 

Coddington bells (five) are now in the bell foundry and are to be rehung in a new frame

foundry and are to be rehung in a new frame for six with the possible addition of a treble bell. Nottingham St. Peter's bells are also to be rehung in a new frame for 12 (now to be augmented to 12). Shelford hope shortly to place an order for a new treble to complete the ring of six, and Upper Broughton hope to add a treble to the existing four. The hon. treasurer's report and accounts revealed a small loss on the year's working. The Bell Repair Fund stands at £130 17s. 5d. an increase of £24 4s. 1d., a donation of £10 having been made towards the cost of repairing a broken wheel at East Markham. The collection for the Bell Repair Fund taken at the meeting realised £5 3s. 6d. The chairman reported that the committee had approved a donation of £25 each towards the restoration at Coddington, Sturton-le-Steeple (rehanging and augmentation to six) and Sutson-cum-Lound (rehanging of three bells in a new frame for six). new frame for six).

The chairman outlined a new scheme to augment the Bell Repair Fund by writing to all the Parochial Church Councils in the Diocese suggesting an annual donation, in order that the present donation of £25 might be substantially increased. He appealed to ringers to play their part by increasing their own donations, and so ensure the success of

the scheme.

### UP AND COMING YOUNGSTERS-No. 22



DAN S. PONT The Leicester Guild

A MONG the up-and-coming youngsters in the Leicester Guild is a brilliant young ringer whose name has frequently appeared in the peal columns of "The Ringing World" during the past two years.

Dan S. Pont, son of a Finnish mother and an English father, was born in Helsinki, Finland, on May 4th, 1949. He started his schooling at Woodhouse Eaves Junior School. Last year, at Barrow-on-Soar Grammar School.

he was successful in gaining no fewer than eleven G.C.E. "O" levels, and is now studying chemistry, physics and maths for "A" level with a view to going on to University in due course.

Dan started ringing lessons at the early age of 11 at the Church of St. Paul, Woodhouse Eaves, under the watchful eye of Mr. Roland Stockwell and Mr. Frank Chambers. At about the same time he was being given handbell lessons at school by his Scripture master, Mr. B. Stedman Payne. In a very short time he was taking part in regular service ringing an alternate Sundays at St. Paul's, Woodhouse Eaves and at St. Mary-in-the-Elms, Old Woodhouse Old Woodhouse.

Old Woodhouse.

Dan made very rapid progress and just before his 13th birthday scored his first peal, This was when he rang 5-6 in a handbell peal in four Doubles methods at Barrow-on-Soar on April 12th, 1962, conducted by B. Stedman Payne. Already he was studying conducting and just over a year later he scored his first peal as conductor — Plain Bob Minor on handbells again at Barrow-on-Soar on October 11th, 1963. This remarkable youngster has already taken part in some 60-odd peals ranging from Doubles to Royal, both on tower—and handbells. bells.

bells.

Last year Dan was honoured by being elected a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, and it is not surprising to learn that his chief ringing ambition now is to become a proficient 12-bell ringer and to have the privilege one day of taking part in a peal at St. Paul's, London. The progress of this brilliant youngster and others like him will be watched with keen interest by the whole Exercise. Exercise.

In conclusion, Dan expresses his deep gratitude for all the help and guidance he has received from the Rev. Malcolm Melville, the fields of campanology. NORVING.

One new vice-president, the Rev. F. Pearce (West Retford), five new ringing members, Miss M. Pearce, Miss S. Holland. Miss I. M. Mayfield, Miss P. Mellor and Mr. A. Simpson (all Ruddington), and one new non-resident life member, Mr. J. Smalley (Rawmarsh), were unanimously elected.

All the retiring officers were thanked for

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All the retiring officers were thanked for their services, and with the exception of the vice-chairman, the Rev. M. C. C. Melville. who is now residing in Norfolk, were re-elected for another year. The Rev. F. Stepheni (Cotgrave) was elected vice-chairman. Five nominations for the four Central Council delegates were received, and on being put to the vote the following were elected to serve for the period 1966–68: Messrs. J. D. Clarke. W. L. Exton, H. Poyner and H. T. Rooke. The chairman expressed the thanks of the Guild to the two retiring members, Messrs. B. M. Buswell and D. H. Rooke.

#### HIGHER SUBSCRIPTIONS APPROVED

The second amendment, moved by Mr. H. T. Rooke, on behalf of the General Committee, concerned finance and read as follows: "To amend such rules as necessary to increase ringing members' over 16 annual subscription from 3s. to 5s. with effect from January 1st, 1966, and to increase the nonresident life members' from 5s. to 10s., and the peal fee from 6d. to 1s. with effect from April 24th, 1965." A lively discussion followed. Mr. F. Salter inquiring whether the committee had considered the possible reduction in income due to the loss of membership caused by the increase. Mr. D. A. Whetton and Miss S. Poppleston supported the motion, while Mr. A. Jewitt. although in agreement The second amendment, moved by Mr. H and Miss S. Poppleston supported the motion, while Mr. A. Jewitt, although in agreement thought the increase in subscriptions ought to be 1s., not 2s. Mr. H. T. Rooke explained that whilst an increase in peal fees might carry the Guild for a year or possibly two the committee were looking forward to increases in both printing costs and increases in postal charges and did not want to have

to return to the meeting next year and again ask for more. Various suggestions regarding the possible omission of peals from the annual report, etc., were put forward and opposed, the motion finally being carried by

62 votes to nine.

Two additional proposals were next considered: the first that the Guild should hold a ringing festival and dinner, to mark the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Guild, during the summer of 1966, and the second, that the Guild should invite the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers to hold its annual meeting of 1967 in the Diocese of Southwell. probably in Nottingham, to mark the 21st anniversary, were carried unanimously.

The comprehensive vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. S. W. Fossey.

W. L. E

#### ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX **GUILD**

For the first time in the tower's history an all-ladies' touch was rung at Holy Trinity Church, Queensbury, on May Day during the meeting of the Guild. Susan Greenwood, meeting of the Guild. Susan Greenwood, aged nine, rang the treble, and Anne Raynor, a little older, was on the second. The Vicar (the Rev. D. M. Buike) conducted Evensong, and the tea was well in keeping with the high standard set up by the local band and their ladies. They were thanked by Mr. A.

During the business meeting, presided over by the Rev. G. Gunthorp, it was decided to meet at Emmanuel Church, Shelley, to start the Guild's activities during the joint council of Yorkshire Ringing Societies' Festival at Wakefield on June 12th.

CHURCH GRESLEY, DERBYS.—On April 16th. 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: S. Edmonds 1, D. P. Jones (cond.) 2, D. Eames 3, J. A. Ball 4, D. Perry Rung fully muffled for Good Friday family

#### SELBY ABBEY FIRST OUTING

Easter Tuesday morning arrived At last, Easter Tuesday morning arrived and the Selby Abbey ringers congregated in the Market Place at 8 a.m., together with essential handbells, "Standard diagrams" and food. Everyone was a little apprehensive as to the standard we would attain on our first outing, especially considering the average age, apart from one member, was only 18.

Familiarity with our own heavy bells made it difficult for the younger members to handle Collingham bells competently. We certainly did not do justice to the octave at Wetherby, and by now our Ringing Master was becoming quite frantic. However, six-bell towers seemed to be more to our taste and a touch of Kent was brought round, but some well-struck Cambridge was lost at Kirk Deighton. Deighton.

Deighton.

After a packed lunch, ringing vastly improved at West Tanfield and Wath, with enjoyable touches of Kent and Oxford Spliced, Wath Delight and Plain Bob being brought round. The strain of a long day's ringing began to tell at Sharow and only Little Bob Major was struck well.

We were greatly refreshed by an excellent tea at Ripon, and this certainly showed itself in the standard attained at Kirby Hill. Thanks are due to all who combined in making a most memorable day.

A.G.

#### BROMHAM, BEDS

For their annual tour this year, on April For their annual tour this year, on April 24th, the Bromham ringers chose East Anglia. Ringing started at Earls Colne, where, despite the springy ropes, a fair standard was achieved. Ardleigh was our next stop and here a good course of Yorkshire was rung. After lunch at Ipswich the tuneful ten at Stonham Aspal was tapping along to a well-struck touch of Kent.

At Eve. the remains of a castle stand one

struck touch of Kent.

At Eye, the remains of a castle stand opposite the lofty flint tower of the Parish Church, the bells of which pealed majestically over the picturesque town. Tea at Diss was followed by ringing at St. Mary's Church. Ringing concluded at Thetford, after which there was a refreshment halt at Cambridge. bringing a very enjoyable day to a fitting end. In addition to thanking incumbents and ringers who met us, special thanks are due to Dereck Hammond for arranging such a splendid outing.

C. S.

splendid outing.

#### BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

#### Chew Deanery Branch

Chew Deanery Branch

A "five-star" tea was provided at the local Women's Institute Hall, Backwell, on April 25th, when the Chew Deanery Branch held a quarterly meeting. The Rector (the Rev. J. T. George) conducted the service and presided at the business meeting. The secretary asked for entries without delay for the striking competition at Dundry in May. Twenty-two members promised support for a dinner to mark the 75th anniversary of the Association and warm approval was given to a joint meeting with the Frome Branch if arranged. July quarterly meeting, Ubley; June practice, Wraxall; and annual Corporate Communion, Backwell (if arrangements for breakfast can be made).

#### Cary Branch

When the Cary Branch met at Henstridge on April 24th, congratulations were extended to Castle Cary ringers on their peal to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Association. A report on the Association's annual meeting was presented by Mr. D. M. C. Hill (Ringing Master), who also outlined the plans for the Branch's autumn outing in the Dunster area.

The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. J. H. Swingler), who was assisted by the Branch chairman (the Rev. G. S. Robinson). They and the ladies who prepared tea were thanked.

#### MR. TOM SOUTHAM AND MISS AYRES MARRIED



The wedding took place on April 24th at Christ Church, Blacklands, Hastings, between Miss Margaret Ayres and Mr. Thomas Southam. This was a real ringers' occasion, as Margaret rings at Blacklands and Tom at St. Peter's, St. Albans, and Hertingfordbury and is also former president of the Hertford County Association and secretary of the St. Albans and Eastern Districts.

Margaret's bridesmaids were Christine Ayres (her sister), Marion Bean, who rings at Haslingfield, and Sally Robinson, who rings at Cirencester. Edward Bright, former Master of the Manchester University Guild, played the organ, and the best man was Eric Edmondson, of Hatfield. The bells were rung after the ceremony by the local band. Ringers were also present from St. Albans, North Mymms and Hatfield.

It was regretted that Margaret's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Beamish, of Chilvers Coton, were not able to be present as they were away on a tour of the Holy Land.

The happy couple left after the reception for a honeymoon in Ireland, and they are going to make their home in Harpenden.

#### SOUTHAMPTON UNIVERSITY **GUILD**

Six enthusiastic members of the Guild, accompanied by a friend and a past member, had a day's ringing in Surrey on April 10th. Ringing took place at Ottershaw, Chertsey. Weybridge, Oatlands Park and Hersham before a somewhat tired company arrived at Walton. Here the new springy ropes left us completely exhausted. Sufficient energy was found later to ring on the light five at Shepperton. After all this we were only too pleased to relax and enjoy the splendid tea provided by the mother of the organiser Alan Luxford.

#### ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE, YORK, BELLRINGERS' SOCIETY TOUR

EDENSUR, DERBYS.—On April 20th, 1,320
Doubles (four methods): I. Johnson 1, R. Aldington
2, R. Smith (first "inside") 3, G. Pluckrose 4, M.
King (cond.) 5, A. F. Miles 6.

BRADBOURNE, DERBYS.—On April 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Smith 1, G. Pluckrose 2, A. F. Miles (first "inside") 3, M. King 4, R. Aldington (first as cond.) 5, I. Johnson 6.

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH, DERBYS.-On April 22nd. 1,320 Doubles (three methods): A. F. Miles 1, I. Johnson (first "inside") 2, R. Aldington 3, M. King 4, G. Pluckrose (cond.) 5, R. Smith 6.

BRADFIELD, YURKS.—On April 24th, 1,320 Doubles (10 methods): R. Smith 1, Miss R. J. Watkin 2, R. Aldington 3, G. Pluckrose 4, M. King (cond.) 5, P. Dill's (first quarter) 6.

#### THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS

#### ARRANGEMENTS FOR WHITSUN

Headquarters will be at the Grand Hotel,

Gold Street, Northampton.

There will be an informal social evening on Monday, June 7th, in the Peacock Room. All members and friends are invited. At other times it is suggested the County Room be

In view of the forthcoming "Great Adven-ture Two," Mr. Philip Gray has kindly offered to show slides of churches and ringers, taken on his recent tour of Australia and New

On his recent tour of Austrana and New Zealand, at the beginning of the evening.
Holy Communion on Tuesday, June 8th at 7.15 a.m. at All Saints' Church. The Celebrant will be the Lord Bishop of Peter-

Celebrant will be the Lord Bishop of Peterborough.

Civic Reception after the meeting at approximately 4.30 p.m. (Tickets—two per member—from Mr. E. Billings, 61, Melville Street, Northampton. Applications by May 28th, please).

RINGING

The following towers in the Northampton District will be available for ringing at the times shown. Where no one is able to meet members, particular attention should be given to clock hammers and leaving the bells in the position they were found.

Saturday, June 5th	•
Daventry (10)	Dedication Service. 12
	noon.
	Buffet Lunch. (Details
	later.)
	Bells available after lunch
	till 8 p.m.
Staverton (6)	5 p.m.—6 p.m.
Flore (6)	
Northampton	5.30, p.m.—6.30 p.m.
St. Peter's (8)	6.30 p.m.—8 p.m.
All Saints' (8)	7.30 p.m.—9 p.m

Sunday, June 6th.		
Northampton	a.m.	p.m.
All Saints' (8)	9.00-10.00	5.30-6.30
St. Edmund's (8)	10.15-11.00	
St. Giles' (10)	10.15-11.00	5.45-6.30
St. Peter's (8)	10.15-11.00	5.30-6.20
Holy Sepulchre (8)	10.15-11.00	5,45-6,30
Kingsthorpe (6)	10.15-11.00	5.45-6.30
Dallington (6)	10.15-10.55	5.45-6.25
Duston (6)	9.00-9.30	_
Harlestone (6)	_	6.00-6.30
Moulton (8)	10.30-11.00	5.15-6.00
Wicken (8)	_	5.00-6.00

#### Monday, June 7th.

Whole day "own transport tour." Lunch — make own arrangements.

a.m.	
Bradfield (6)	9.30-10.15
Cogenhoe (6)	10.00-10.45
Bozeat (5)	10.30-11.15
Wollaston (6)	11.00-11.45
Irchester (8)	11.30-12.15
Rushden (8)	12.00-12.45
p.m.	
Higham Ferrers (8)	2.00-2.45
Irthlingborough (8)	2.30-3.15
Burton Latimer (8)	3.00-3.45
Isham (6)	3.30-4.15
Wilby (6)	4.00-4.45
Mears Ashby (6)	4.30-5.15
Earls Barton (8)	5.00-5.45
Northampton	
St. Edmund's	( 40 0 10
St. Giles'	6.45–8.15 p.m
Holy Sepu'chre	

#### Tuesday, June 8th.

Northampton
All Saints', following Civic Reception
approximately 6-7 p.m.

If numbers are sufficient, further ringing can be arranged for the remainder of the week. E. A. BARNETT.

Hon. Secretary.

#### HALF PEAL

FLITTON, BEDS.-On April 8th, 2,520 Minor (720 Cambridge Surprise, 720 Oxford T.B., Bob, 360 Plain Bob): R. J. Sharp 1, Miss K. Rivett 2, K. Fleming 3, M. J. Marriott 4, A. S. Smith 5, R. K. French (cond.) 6. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Kingham, church workers, on their retirement.

BALDUCK, HERTS .- On May 2nd, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: J. Orme 1, R. Castledine 2, D. Salisbury 3, S. Hutton 4, D. Sutcliffe 5, C. Harwood 6, E. Buck 7, J. Dear (cond.) 8.

BARKING, SUFFOLK. — On Easter Day, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: R. E. Lester (cond.) 1, M. J. Howes 2, Mrs. E. J. Lockwood 3, E. J. Lockwood

J. Prentice 5, N. F. Whittell 6.

BARKINGSIDE, ESSEX. — On May 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. A. Crampion 1, D. Ellisdon 2, C. Wright 3, A. Faulkner 4, J. Crampion 5, M. Powell 6, W. Theobold (cond.) 7, G. Lonsdale 8. For Patronal Festival Evensong.

BATH, SOMERSET. — At St. Michael-with-St.

Paul's on May 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Miss S. Clifford (first quarter) 1, Miss C. Mitchell Mitchell 2, G. J. Hawkins (cond.) 3, D. C. Hawkins 4, J. G. Hobbs 5, B. Sarll 6. First in five methods 2,

BECCLES, SUFFULK .- On Easter Sunday, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: Gillian Waller (first on ten bells) 1, E. R. Goate 2, Mrs. O. L. Rogers 3, Patricia Rogers 4, T. G. Page 5, C. H. Rogers 6, R. C. L. Brown 7, H. W. Barrett 8, H. W. Rogers (cond.) 9, W. Bickers 10. For Evensong.

BLITHFIELD, STAFFS. - On April 25th, 1,260 Doubles (April Day, Plain Bob): L. E. Monk 1, C. M. Smith (cond.) 2, Dilys J. Twigg (first "inside") 3. C. T. Collins 4, B. J. Townsend 5, Marlene E.

Townsend 6. For Evensong.

BRADFURD, YURKS. — On April 26th at the Cathedral, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Minor: P. J. Whitehead 1. Susan M. Rhodes (first of Surprise) 2, A. C. Boorman 3, P. A. Kirkby 4, H. B. Schofield 5, B. Gillian Schofield 6, S. B. Schofield 7, L. Goodall (cond.) 8. For Confirmation service.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFULK.—At the Nor-

man Tower on April 24th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: C. Stannard (cond.) 1. A. Rolfe 2. Mrs. H. Ivening (first quarter) 3. A. Ballam 4, J. Stannard 5, H. Clarke 6, P. Everett 7, W. Goodship 8, R. Stannard Ranks 10

CHERITON, KENT.-On April 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Elizabeth O'Grady 1, Dilys Eastmead 2, Mary Munt 3, W. C. Chandler 4, A. Eastmead (cond.) 5, D. Corner 6. Rung to greet the birth on April 23rd of a second daughter, Margaret Ruth, to the Rector and Mrs. Munt.

CRANFIELD, BEDS .- On April 20th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss D. Weller 1, Miss P. Wilson 2, D. Manton 3, D. W. Manton 4, R. H. French

CROYDON, SURREY .- At the Church of St. Johnthe-Baptist on May 2nd, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: E. J. Razzell 1, R. Davies 2, N. G. Steere 3, K. Taber (first Treble Bob) 4, G. H. Humphries G. Abbott 6, R. C. Stevens 7, F. E. Collins

EDMONTON, MIDDX.—On May 2nd, 1,260 Stedman friples: Trudy Newcombe 1, Beryl Platt (first of Stedman) 2, Teresa Langdon 3, Denis Langdon 4,

of Stedman) 2, Teresa Langdon 5, Denis Langdon 4, Harold Howson 5, T. G. Hawkins 6, J. Towers (first of Stedman as cond.) 7, Gloria Simpson 8, GNOSALL STAFFS. — On April 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Keay (first quarter) 1, Mrs. E. M. Key 2, B. G. Key (cond.) 3, G. Hall 4, I. Friend 5, J. W. Dyke 6 A wedding compliment to

James McNaughton and June Key.

GRAFTON UNDERWOOD, NORTHANTS.—On
May 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): D. Lawrence 1, Miss C. H. Sharman 2, J. Mills 3, D. rence 1, N Mills 4, F. Crosier (cond.) 5. For Evensong.

GT. ADDINGTON, NORTHANTS.—On May 3rd. 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Mary Bloxam 1, Susan Ferguson (first in method) 2, M. A. Coleman (cond.) 3. Sheila Staley 4. I. W. Hall 5.

GUISELEY, YORKS. - On March 30th, 1,280 Bristol Major: A. C. Boorman I, Mrs. H. B. Schofield 2, Iris M. E. Lemare 3, H. B. Schofield 4, B. Gillian Schofield 5, B. Sullivan 6, R. J. Lumley 7, Goodall (cond.) 8.

HARROW-ON-THE-HILL, MIDDX. - On April 24th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. D. Elliot (first quarter) 1, Mrs. M. G. Gage 2, A. C. Martin 3, I. Elliot 4, R. A. Gage (cond.) 5, Miss L. E. Simp-ron 6, Miss P. Ollen 7.

### **QUARTER PEALS**

HASCOMBE, SURREY.-On Easter Day, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): A. Hoar (first quarter) 1, N. Stroud 2, J. W. Hagley 3, Diane Street (cond.) 4, Elizabeth Stevinson 5. For Matins.

HEDON, E. YORKS.-On May 2nd, 1,260 Erin Triples: K. Geldthorpe 1, H. C. Palmer 2, E. Rimer 3, J. I. Booth 4, C. L. D. Munday 5, C. C. Brown 6, R. D. Gibson (cond.) 7, G. K. Smith 8. The first in the method for all the band.

HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS .- On Easter Day, 1, 272 Bob Minimus: M. W. Harrison I, R. Blackshaw 2, S. J. Dowse 3, C. R. Larkin 4. Also on April 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. G. Marsh and D. Barker I, R. D. Marsh 2, S. J. Dowse 3, R. Blackshaw 4, C. R. Larkin 5, M. W. Harrison (cond.) 6.

HORNCHURCH, ESSEX .- On April 25th, Plain Bob Major: Miss Y. Murray 1, Miss A. Edwards 2, S. Penfold 3, Miss J. Peacock 4, C. E. Wright 5, J. Stephenson 6, J. McDonald 7, F. V. Gant (cond.) 8

HUNTINGTON, YORKS.—On April 20th, 1,320 Il Saints' Doubles: A. N. Pearce 1, Jennifer Pearce Susan E. Thompson 3, C. J. Grooms 4, A. C. Banton (cond.) 5.

LEIGH, STAFFS. - On Easter Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Mrs. R. Fairbrother 1, Mrs. J. Beech 2, E. R. Fairbrother 3, I. Friend (cond.) 4, F. Beech K. Waring (first quarter) 6. For Evensong. Believed to be the first quarter by a Leigh ringer.

LODERS, DORSET .- On April 30th, 1,320 Grandsire Doubles: J. Krsmanovic (longest length) 1, I. L. Andrews 2, D. B. Ellery 3, Rev. O. L. Willmott M. J. Hiller (first as cond.) 5, H. G. Crabb 6. Rung for SS. Philip and James Day.

LONDON .- At St.' Clement Danes' on April 25th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: T. V. Gant (cond.) 1, C. E. Willmington 2, Miss A. Edwards 3, W. H. Aley 4, C. Wright 5, S. Clark 6, R. D. Tomlin 7, K. Warner 8, D. Ellisdon 9, E. Rochester 10.

LYMPNE, KENT.-On April 25th, 1,260 Doubles: B. Butcher f. A. Neilson 2, Elizabeth Todd 2, R. P. Brotherston 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, R. Gemmell 6. For Matins.

MARCHINGTON, STAFFS.-On April 29th, 1,260 Doubles (April Day, Plain Bob and Grandsire): Margaret Ellwood (first quarter) 1, Marlene E. Townsend 2, C. M. Smith (cond.) 3, C. T. Collins 4, L. E. Monk 5, C. W. Bowen 6.

MARKET DRAYTUN, SALUP. - On April 18th 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: B. Madely I, H. White 2, E. Roberts (first in method) 3, R. Hazel-White 2, E. dine 4, T. Price 5, A. M. Hickman 6, F. Price 7, W. H. Tyler (cond.) 8. Rung to celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lycett.

MARSTON, OXFORD. — At the Church of St. Nicholas on March 28th, 1,260 Doubles (180 Plain Bob, 1,080 Grandsire): Avril Walton (first attempt) 1, R. H. Jones 2, L. R. Porter 3, N. D. Deam (cond.) A. Gammon 5.

NEWBOLD-ON-AVON, WARWICKS .- On Easter Day, 1,260 Reverse Canterbury Doubles: Julie Hopkins (first quarter) 1, W. C. Budd 2, J. Underwood 3, J. G. Edgson 4, A. G. Eveleigh (cond.) 5, Lynda Hopkins 6. For family service.

NEWTON ST. LOE, SOMERSET,-On April 20th, 1.260 Spliced Plain Minor (St. Clement's, Childwall. Thelwall, Double Oxford, Double Bob, Plain Bob): Rose Smith 1, A. Perry 2, M. Horseman 3, R. Smith 4. G. Hawkins 5, P. Gay (cond.) 6.

NURTHILL, BEDS .- On April 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. Wagstaff 1, A. Smith 2, D. Carr 3, R. Houghton 4, Alan Smith (cond.) 5, L. Norman 6. In honour of the retirement of the Rector Frost) and the election as honorary wardens of Mr. W. Wagstaff and Mr. Bowler.

NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS .- On April 28th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Rosemary Kemp 1, Heather Walters 2, A. J. Luxford 3, M. D. Trigg (cond.) 4, P. J. Joyce 5. By Southampton University Guild

OWSLEBURY, HANTS. - On April 25th, Beverley and Cambridge Surprise Minor: Maureen White 1, Mary White 2, R. A. Stone (50th quarter) 3, A. R. Cope 4, K. G. Waller 5, C. E. Bassett (cond.) 6. Rung before Evensong as a farewell to the Rev. H. Palmer.

OXFORD.—At the Church of St. Thomas the Martyr, on Feb. 21st, 1,260 Mixed Doubles: June Todd 1, L. R. Porter 2, Janet Farrow 3, G. Porter 4, N. D. Deam (cond.) 5, I. Ross 6.

PERTH, W. AUSTRALIA.—On April 5th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Hos 1, M. Page 2, Miss J. Lees 3, B. Lawes 4, B. Potts (cond.) 5, L. Reynolds 6. A farewell to Jenny and Margaret Lees on their departure for Melanesia. Also on April 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Carter (first quarter) 1, J. Hos (first "inside") 2, Miss J. Lees 3, B. Potts (cond.) 4, L. Reynolds 5, E. Warren 6. A 21st birthday compliment to the conductor.

PEWSEY, WILTS.—On April 20th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: R. Spackman 1. C. Chandler 2, Mrs. C. Mould 3, L. Rutt 4, E. Mould (cond.) 5, J. Amor 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of A. E. Mould, a ringer, father of the conductor

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.-On May 2nd, 1,280 Lincolnshire Surprise Major: M. Carter 1, T. Jones 2, R. Tomlin 3, F. May 4, P. Sadler 5, D. Belcham 6, M. Hallett 7, A. House (cond.) 8. First in method 4 and 5. Rung for Evensong.

ROUGHAM, SUFFOLK. — On May 2nd, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: W. H. Cracknell 1, Janet I. Rogers (cond.) 2, R. Rose 3, L. Wright 4, M. J. Rose 5, R. H. Rogers 6, For Evensong. To mark the 250th anniversary of the first peal ever rung (Plain Bob Triples on May 2nd, 1715, at Norwich).

RUSHDEN, NORTHANTS .- On April 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Muncey (first quarter) 1, A. Gibbs 2, Ann Chettle 3, R. Coley (cond.) 4, S. Hodgkins 5, L. Priestley 6, B. Whitworth 7, C. Whitworth 8. For Evensong.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.—At 23. Blenheim Road on April 15th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: M. Bew (first quarter in hand) 1-2, B. B. Hullah 3-4, A. T. Haw-

SELSTON, NOTTS .- On Easter day, 1,300 Kirkby Doubles: Maurcen Green 1, Thelma Staples 2, M, J Kirk (cond.) 3, E. A. Harrison 4, J. A. Harrison 5. For afternoon service.

SONNING, BERKS.—On Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Willis (first on eight) 1. Mrs. Jean Busby 2, J. Norcutt 3, A. Burton 4, H. Smith 5, N. Willis 6, G. Harvey (cond.) 7, S. Atkins (first on eight) 8. For Matins.

SOUTHWARK, LONDON .- At the Cathedral on April 11th, 1,259 Erin Cinques: Miss P. Rogers 1. M. T. Sprackling 2, Mrs. O. L. Rogers 3, P. A. Brand 4, L. C. Way 5, D. P. Smith 6, C. M. Press 7, W. G. Wilson 8, C. M. Meyer 9, J. W. Smith 10, H. W. Rogers (cond.) 11, C. T. Richards 12. For Nave Evensong.

STEVENAGE, HERTS. - On April 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Romley (first quarter) 1, W. Brown 2, H. Wittering 3, S. Gullick (first of Triples) 4. D. Taplin 5. W. Lawrence 6. D. Gullick (cond.) W. Taplin

STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.—On May 2nd, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: D. H. Watson 1, F. J. Vallender 2, R. Smith 3, J. Warr 4, J. C. Eisel 5. G. Westwood 6, M. D. Fellows (cond.) 7, M. J. Fellows 8. By the local band for Evensong.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.—On May 2nd. 1.349 Grandsire Caters: Laura Grindrod 1, Janet Evenden 2. June Whitcher 3. D. J. Hawkins 4, I. L. Dear 5, D. E. Cobb (cond.) 6, M. C. Austin 7, J. C. Slater 8, G. E. Evenden 9, R. Durrant 10. For Festival Evensong

1.296 WAREHAM, DURSET. - On May 2nd, Beverley Surprise Minor: P. R. Keough 1, Judith A. Robertson 2, M. J. Young 3, G. W. Elmes 4, J. W. Blackwood 5, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 6. First in the method by all. For Evensong.

WARSOP, NOTTS .- On Easter Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Booth 1, Miss J. Cooke 2, B. Moran 3, P. Mellor 4, F. Cooke (cond.) 5, M. Foster 6, For Sung Eucharist. Also 1,320 Treb'e Bob Minor (Sandal and London Scholars' Pleasure): R Spencer 1, J. T. Rooke 2, F. Cooke 1, R. Lucas 4, F. Flint 5, H. T. Rooke (cond.) 6, For Evensong.

WATERFORD, IRELAND,-On May 1st. Doubles (11 methods): F. E. Dukes 1. Miss H. Hubert (first quarter) 2, C. J. Reede 3, R. A. Vere Hodge 4, C. A. Lewis (cond.) 5, A. S. Doak 6. Vere Believed to be the greatest number of methods rung to a quarter neal in Ireland.

WATFORD, HFRTS .- On April 27th, 1.260 Plain Bob Royal: G Avent 1, K. R. Dunstan 2, J. Faircloth 3. R. G. Smith 4. R. D. Bell 5. W. G. Paul 6. V. Green 7. D. A. Carpenter 8. R. G. Bell 9. G. W. Seaman (cond.) 10. To celebrate the birth of a son to Lucy and Ray Smith, both members of the Watford tower

#### **QUARTER PEALS**

ADDINGTON, SURREY.-1,320 Plain Doubles: Carole Becraft 1, Carol Cousins 2, Margaret Godfrey 3, C. H. Macve 4, E. G. H. Godfrey (cond.) 5, 100th quarter peal on the bells.

BISHOP'S CLEEVE, GLOS .- On May 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (eight methods): Christine Stower (first quarter) 1, Marilyn Jackson 2, Anna K. Sadowska (cond.) 3, M. Boskett 4, P. Robertson 5, J. Brown

COUNTESTHORPE, LEICS .- On April 16th, 1,800 Minor (Cambridge, Plain Bob): P. Immins I, R. K. Mason 2, G. T. Dudley 3, J. J. Morris 4, R. H. Cook 5, B. S. Chapman (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled for Good Friday Evensong. Also on Easter Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. T. Dudley 1, H. Kilby 2, J. J. Morris 3, L. A. Chapman 4, P. Immins 5, B. S. Chapman (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

EDENBRIDGE, KENT.—On April 24th, 1,260 Cambridge Surprise Major: G. Fry I, Jennifer Payne (first on eight) 2, Olive D. Tester 3, Jean L. Lavender 4, Doris E. Colegate 5, R. J. Cook 6, C. A. Tester 7, S. F. Kimber (cond.) 8. A birthday compliment to the ringer of the second.

ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK .-- On April 25th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: G. Reeve 1, J. Yorke Parker 2, D. Reeve 3, W. Ivings 4, H. Ivings 5, J. Paul (cond.) 6.

EWELL, SURREY .- On May 2nd, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: M. Morris I, F. Willes (first "inside") 2, Mrs. C. W. Munday 3, P. J. Munday 4, A. S. Besant 5, S. J. Philbrick 6, C. W. Munday (cond.) 7, R. C. Spittle 8.

HULLOWAY, LONDON .- At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, on May 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire
Triples: B. J. Imber 1, Dorothea M. Robotham 2,
Doreen A. Deverell 3, J. R. Pratt 4, R. Newman
5, G. W. Shanks 6, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 7, F. A. Benn 8. For Evensong.

HUNTINGTON, YORKS.—On April 20th, Plain Bob Minor: Heather J. Freeman 1, H. 2, B. Sutton 3, A. W. A. Leggett 4, S. H. Steel 5, M. D. Staniforth (cond.) 6. A wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. David Pearson.

MARKFIELD, LEICS .- On April 4th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: G. M. Pickwell 1, K. Burdett 2, R. D. Hughes 3, D. W. Manton (first in method) 4, D. R. Manton (first in method) 5, A. E. (cond.) 6. Also on Easter Day 1.260 Pl (cond.) 6. Also on Easter Day, 1,260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: D. Wardle 1, J. Wardle 2, H. Billson 3, R. D. Hughes 4, G. M. Pickwell (cond.) 5. T. Layton 6. For Evensong.

POTTERSPURY, NORTHANTS.—On April 2nd, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. W. Smith 1, Daphne Webb (first of Minor) 2, P. I. Chapman 3, J. Linnell 4, A. A. Paul 5, C. E. Truman (cond.) 6.

MARSTON, UXON .- On April 11th, 1,260 Mixed Doubles (11 methods): G. Porter I, R. H. Jones 2, L. &. Porter (cond.) 3, N. D. Deam 4, A. Gammon 5 First as conductor in 11 methods. For Palm Also on April 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Avril Walton 1, R. H. Jones (cond.) 2, D. Oliver 3,
D. Deam 4, A. Gammon 5. For Easter Sunday. Uso on April 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: June Todd 1, Leonard Porter (cond.) 2, Janet Farrow 3. Porter 4, R. H. Jones 5. A wedding compliment to Miss Christine Hammond and Mr. Royston Martin,

4]XBRIDGE, MIDDX.-On April 25th, 1,260 Grandwire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering): P. Penrose 1, Diana Penrose 2, B. W. Pocock 3, P. Phillips 4, H. W. Impey 5, F. Bedford 6, V. J. Mitchell 7, R. Sprules 8. Jointly conducted by H. W. Impey and V. J. Mitchell.

WEEDON BEC, NORTHANTS.-On NEEDON BEC, WORTHAMS, On April 2011, 1, 160 Grandsire Triples: I. R. Nightingale 1, J. J. Spraggett 2, R. J. Danby 3, J. F. Thorne 4, T. G. Hill 5, R. W. Sherriff (cond.) 6, J. W. C. Hall 7, M. Hill 8. A farewell to the Vicar (Rev. I. V. Lewis), and good wishes to Mr. and Mrs. J. Slack (née Porter), married two days previously.

WELLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.—On April 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A Bigley 1, Ann Chettle 2, B. Vickers (first of Triples) 3, D. Pearson (cond.) 4, B. Whitnorth 5, A. Gibbs 6, J. Skerritt 7, A. Elliott 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Albert Plowman, a ringer at this church.

WHITTINGTON-IN-LONSDALE, LANCS. April 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. H. Garnett Gfrst quarter) 1, S. Anderton 2, J. E. Dickinson 3, A. Capstick 4, N. M. Newby, jun., 5, T. F. Metcalfe (cond.) 6. For the Easter Festival. Believed to be the first quarter on the bells.

#### WORCESTER AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

HELD in Worcester on Easter Monday, the annual meeting of the Worcestershire Districts Association attracted a fair crowd of members and visitors despite the cold winds and showers. The day began with a of members and visitors despite the cold winds and showers. The day began with a service at All Saints' conducted by the Association's chaplain, the Rev. H. L. Davies, Rector of Old Swinsford. Instead of an address the congregation heard a touch on handbells by Miss S. Jackson 1-2, J. C. Eisel 3-4, D. Beacham 5-6, and M. D. Fellows 7-8.

The business meeting in College Hall was presided over by the president, the Dean of Worcester, the Very Rev. R. L. P. Milburn, who, in spite of the cold temperature in the hall, expressed a warm welcome to all sent. Before getting down to the main items on the agenda, the meeting stood in silence as they remembered colleagues who had departed during the last year, namely, James R. Newman, of Kempsey (general secretary from 1905 to 1935); J. J. Jeffries (Worcester Cathedral); W. Lewis (St. John's, Worcester); and dral); W. Lewis (5t. Harry Wyre (Cradley).

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT
After referring to the financial position,
r. D. Beacham, in his report, stated that Mr. D. Beacham, in his report, stated that paid-up performing membership had fluctuated around the 500 mark for some years—though this year it was down to 459, and costs continued to rise. The annual report cost over 2s. and there was insufficient left from the 2s. 6d. annual subscription to cover the remaining costs maining costs

For many years the Association had held very successful annual dinners but last year the attendance fell very considerably to 80—a large drop from the 130 of the previous two years. This was a most disappointing result for the committee responsible for organising the dinner. . "Let us hope that this function will continue and regain some of the support which it has had in the past."

Peal ringing had increased considerably and the total of 84 peals was the highest number for some years. Congratulations were offered to 14 first-pealers and to John Whittall, who called his first peal as conductor. The first peals of Worcestershire Surprise Major and Sedgley Surprise Major were rung during the

An important item on the agenda was the recommendation of the Central Committee that the subscriptions be increased from 2s. 6d. to 5s. annually for senior members, and from 1s. 6d. to 2s. 6d. for junior members. The general secretary and treasurer explained that for some years the General Fund had been for some years the General Fund had been kept solvent only by being subsidised from Branch collections. The time had now come to put finances back on a proper business footing. The biggest drain on funds was the cost of printing the annual report, which would be nearly 3s. per copy this year. The meeting approved the increase in subscriptions.

commencing January 1st, 1966, without dissent.

Under election of officers, all officers and committee were re-elected. The Dean pointed out that Bishop Stuart's impending resignation would leave a vacancy in the list of vice-presidents next year.

Any other business brought about discussion

Any other business brought about discussion on the question of the Association's "Annual Peal" and peals at the Cathedral.

During the afternoon ringing took place on the bells at Powick, Malvern Link, Welland and Hanley Castle; also St. John's, Worcester, and Claines. Following tea at the Deansway Restaurant, a large crowd, which must have numbered nearly 100, packed the Cathedral ringing chamber for what seems to be the highlight of Worcester annual meetings. Further ringing at All Saints' concluded the day.

D. B.

WIVELISCOMBE, SUMERSET.—On April 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. V. Young 1. W. J. Knight 2, G. Sparks 3, G. Maidment 4, H. Purchase 5, W. Nurcombe 6, H. Casley (cond.) 7, H. Gale 8. First quarter peal on the rededicated bells.

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#### BELFRY GOSSIP

The peal at St. Paul's, Bedford, on April 19th was the 99th on the bells, and also Peter Border's 999th peal.

With the peal of Ditcheat Surprise at Willesden, Mr. Dennis Knox has rung peals in 100 different Surprise Major methods.

We have received news from Australia that Mr. Jack Cummins, of St. Mary's Basilica, Sydney, rang his 200th quarter peal at Burwood on April 11th.

The Rev. A. D. St. J. Smith, of Darley Dale, is the new president of the Clerical Guild in succession to the late Canon C. C. Cox.

Mr. Bernard D. Sims, of Handsworth, in-quires as to the composition of Farnsfield Bob Doubles rung to a peal of Farnsfield on April 3rd (page 267).

Wishes for a full and complete recovery to the well-known Oxfordshire ringer, Mr. Harry Floyd, and his wife, were expressed at the annual meeting of the Witney and Woodstock Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild at Yarnton on April 24th.

A peal tour was held in the Rutland area at Easter, during which eight peals were rung for three different Guilds. The highlight of the week was a peal of Minor in seven methods at Deeping St. Nicholas, rung silent and non-

The peal at Thurcaston, Leics, on April 20th, was the third attempt for a birthday peal for William Stedman, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Poyner, of Retford. Mr. B. Stedman Payne writes that this will mean a birthday and pearly are for his other godson. John day peal next year for his other godson, John Stedman Brewin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Brewin, of Wellington, Salop, who rings at

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#### WHITCHURCH PEAL ATTEMPTS

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Altogether there are eight places in England and Wales called Whitchurch with rings of bells, but to ring peals on all of them over one week was too big a task for the Hampshire band that pealed three of them over the five days around Easter. Originally five were the target but with the removal of the Devon bells to the foundry, and Whitchurch, Bucks, being unringable, only four were attempted and all nearly came off.

Whitchurch, Hampshire, proved straightforward, a good peal of Bob Major being scored despite a change of conductor at the last minute due to a heavy cold by the original. The big job was Winterbourne Whitchurch, a heavy five near Dorchester, Dorset, with a tenor of at least 16 cwt. and the bells immediately overhead. Eight methods, six of them rung in 720's, seemed ambitious but we went ahead with our object With 600 changes to ring and 2½ hours of good five-bell ringing behind us, a slipped wheel on the tenor with the rope disappearing through the hole brought the attempt to an end. It was hard luck for Phil Murduck, who had worked hard to strike the tenor, the only consolation being that the last attempt here lasted only a quarter of an hour before the band gave up.

Refreshments at the Rectory afterwards helped to drown our sorrows and with a short ring at St. George's, Dorchester, met by Canon Brooks, who made us most welcome, we met again at Whitchurch Canonicorum and made up for the morning disappointment by ringing a good peal of Grandsire Triples on the file of the property of the planting Wedeceden were the ball to the planting Wedeceden were the ball to the planting the date to the planting th

The first attempt at Whitchurch, Oxon, on the following Wednesday evening, had to be finished by 9 p.m., so the Treble Bob we had planned to ring was altered to Plain Bob, and the fast time of 2 hours and 30 minutes was recorded to another good peal, completion being soon after 9 p.m.

Although not a 100 per cent. success, we were well satisfied with our efforts and have in mind the Twyfords for the next attempt of

in mind the Twyfords for the next attempt of its kind, but this will have to wait until the Hampshire Twyford become available for peals.

#### REEDS IN THE NEWS

We welcome back to the peal columns Mr. Colin W. Reed, who has recovered from his recent operation. The peal, at Balderton, on May 1st, was a compliment to Miss Gillian Holmes, daughter of Mr. P. Holmes, a local ringer, on her marriage to Mr. John Thomas

Ringing in the same peal was Mrs. Bery!
Reed, and this made her the first person to complete the circle to peals of her home tower. Has any other lady had the privilege of being the first person to "circle a tower" to peals?

NOT RESPONSIBLE

Mr. Alan Ainsworth denies that he was responsible for writing that the long length attempt at St. Philip's Cathedral, Birmingham, is for the 250th anniversary of St. Philip's being made the Cathedral of the Diocese. He desires to make it clear that it was part of the celebration to mark the 250th anniversary of St. Philip's Church and the 60th anniversary of St. Philip's being made the Cathedral of the Diocese. The error of missing a line from the copy is regretted.

#### THE BELLS OF ST. MARY'S (Oxford Style)

One, two, three, four, five, six— The bells go pacing round; It's rarely one may hear A graver, sweeter sound; And, changing, still unchanged Their rhythm they maintain.

One, two, three, four, five, six, Measured, and firm, and plain, Now that it's eight o'clock Peace reigns for evening prayer.

One, two, three, four, five, six
No longer fills the air;
And yet the inner ear,
Which loves to play such tricks,
Insists, I still can hear
One, two, three, four, five, six.
ELIZABETH M. BARBER. Somerville College,

#### RINGING IN A HIGH KEY AT GNOSALL

Oxford.

RINGING IN A HIGH KEY AT GNOSALL In honour of the wedding of Miss June Mary Key, eldest daughter of two prominent Gnosall ringers, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Key, the bells of St. Lawrence's Church, Gnosall, were rung to a quarter peal of Grandsire, which according to the report in the local paper, consisted of 1,000,260 changes! The bride is a member of the teaching profession. She was trained at Hockerill College, Bishop's Stortford, where the bridegroom, Mr. James McNaughton, is a tutor. They are making their home at Fyfield, Essex.

#### ANDREW FROM HUNTINGTON

Congratulations to Andrew Pearce (13), of untington, who in the last fortnight has Congratulations to Andrew Pearce (13), of Huntington, who in the last fortnight has rung three very good quarter peals—including his first, at the first attempt. The youngest of three in his family who are ringers, he is away at school during term time and his only opportunity for ringing is at holidays. Unfortunately an attempt to ring a peal of Grandsire Doubles at Huntington with Andrew on the treble was unsuccessful. Nevertheless, well done, Andrew! We hope to hear more of your progress very soon.

A. C. B.

#### A SALOP GOLDEN WEDDING

The golden wedding anniversary this Easter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lycett, of 1. Brookfields, Longford Turner, Market Drayton, Salop, was appropriately celebrated by a quarter peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major on the bells of the Parish Church. Now 76 years of age, Mr. Lycett had to give up ringing through ill-health some years back, but he completed his 50 years as a service ringer. He attended with his wife to hear the ringing for the an-

with his wife to hear the ringing for the anniversary.

Mr. Lycett was born at Shawbury. For 11 years he was captain of the ringing team at Stanton and then for 14 years he was captain at Hodnet. His association as a ringer with St. Mary's, Market Drayton, exceeds 25 years. Mr. and Mrs. Lycett have a family of two sons and three daughters, 14 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. A daughter and her husband are visiting them later this month from Canada.

#### CLAPPER THUMPS DURING OUTING

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Ringers of St. Mary's, Scarborough, and St.
Lawrence's, Scalby, had an unusual experience
on their first half-day outing held on May Day.
At two of the churches visited the clappers
parted company with the bells. The first
tower was Kirby Moorside, where an inspection revealed that the threads on the bolt
through the headstock had worn off and the
split pin had either sheared or had been nonexistent. The other tenor to give trouble was
in the five at Wykeham, where in the middle
of a 120 of Grandsire the loud thump was
again heard and the cause of the trouble was
identical as at Kirby Moorside.

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Other towers visited were Middleton, where during ringing a steady flow of dust descended on all below, necessitating the production of headgear ranging from pixie hats to Cossacks, and Pickering, where a picnic tea took place in the Vicarage grounds. Some found the bells here difficult to ring well. It was an enjoyable and to some an exciting outing—a transistor set keeping the company in touch with the great event of the day, the Cup final at Wembley.

#### DURHAM VILLAGE WANTS SOME BELLS

Shincliff Village, County Durham, has at long last received full permission to go ahead and raise the £1,800 required to repair and augment its bells. A committee has been formed to launch the appeal. Typical of local interest is the activity of one of the village pubs, where a pile of pennies has been started. The secretary, Mr. T. Jopling, of 8, Willow Tree Avenue, Shincliff Village, informed us that despite local interest, outside help would be needed and he would be very grateful for any assistance. grateful for any assistance.

#### RINGING IN PARIS

The members of the University of London Society certainly made a day of it "The Ringing World,' April 9th) and the account makes interesting reading. They may wish to read of an earlier escapade by some of their earliest members. Search out "The Ringing World" for November 12th, 1948 (page 488), where they will find the Eiffel Tower has already been "snatched.' The 3in. x 4in. "pealboard" recording the 120 Grandsire Doubles, on the wooden panelling, may by now be painted over, writes Geoffrey Dodds.

#### "WILD BELLS-MYTH"

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In the spring issue of "C.W.M.," which is published by Rowntree and Co., Ltd., of York, C. J. Groome of the Marketing Department contributes an interesting article, "Ring Out Wild Bells," with special references to towers in the York area. Pictures are given of the awestruck author gazing at the massive Great Peter in the north-west tower of the Minster. This bell weighs nearly 11 tons. The bells at Huntington Church are shown in the "up and down" positions. Concludes the author: "In short, change ringing is a pursuit which offers an unusual combination of mental and physical exercise, and far from being "wild bells" they are the result of a most exacting discipline." Well spoken, Mr. Groome!

TOWER BELL PEALS	MOTTRAM-IN-LONGDENDALE, Cheshire.—At the Church of
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS	St. Michael. On Sat., April 24, 1965, in 3 Hours,
PAINSWICK, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,	A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Robert B. Smith Treble   *Alan McFall
A PEAL OF 5000 STEDMAN CINQUES	Robert J. Warrilow 2 Frank Osbaldiston 6
Albert M. Tyler Treble Andrew N. Stubbs	Harold C. Lonyon 3 Basil Jones 7 Derek F. Yates 4 William H. Dowse Tenor
Alan F. Thirst 3 *Leslie Barry 9	Composed by P. I. Chapman. Conducted by Basil Jones
Arthur H. Reed 4 John S. Mason 10 Kenneth J. Hesketh 5 Ralph G. Edwards 11	* 100th peal. Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in F
David P. Hilling 6 Rev. Roger O. Fry Tenor	CHELFORD, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
Composed by John Chilcott. Conducted by Wilfred Williams.  First peal of Cinques in the method. Tenor 26½ cwt.	A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.	Consisting of seven different extents.  *John F. Gibbons Treble   Ernest Pimlott 4
CHEWTON MENDIP, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary.	Brian Schofield 2   †William F. Gibbons 5
On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR	Ashley C. P. Pugh 3   Harry W. Howard Tenor
Tenor 24 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lb. in D.  Alan Tubb Treble   Michael J. Hobbs 5	* First peal. † First since 1948.  A welcome to the new Vicar, the Rev. J. B. Henry.
Gillian M. Hussey 2 Richard J. Bowden 6	
Giles B. Thompson 3 Trevor A. Cross 7 John H. Taylor 4 D. John Hunt Tenor	THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. ORMESBY, North Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Cuthbert.
Composed by R. Baldwin. Conducted by D. John Hunt.	On Fri., April 30, 1965, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.
(Taunton Deanery) TAUNTON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Michael, Creech.	A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 18 cwt. 14 lb. in E.
On Tues., April 27, 1965, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,	Margaret Lawson Treble   Jack Roach 5
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES  Comprising three extents Stedman, three April Day, four Plain Bob	*Ann Lawson 2 Thomas Cooke 6 *Enid Lawson 3 Thomas M. Cox 7
and 32 Grandsire (20 different callings). Tenor 14 cwt.	Peter Wishart 4 Kenneth Lawson Teno
*Keith E. Beale Treble Frank Matravers 4  *Marian A. Beale 2 Ray F. Arscot 5	Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by Kenneth Lawson * First peal.
Arthur H. Reed 3 Ray Cullen Tenor	THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
Conducted by Ray F. Arscot.  * First peal and first attempt.	BURBAGE, Buxton, Derbyshire.—At Christ Church.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.	On Tues., April 27, 1965, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
IRCHESTER, Northants.—At the Church of St. Katharine.	Being seven extents in five methods, viz.: (1) Cambridge Surprise
On Sat., March 20, 1965, in 3 Hours, A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR	(2 and 4) Oxford Treble Bob, (3 and 5) Kent Treble Bob, (6) St Clement's Bob, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt
Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in D.  Arthur Gibbs Treble   Rodney H. French 5	Gillian M. Fanshaw Treble Andrew M. Macve 4 Katherine M. Macve 2 F. Martin Stanway 5
Mary E. Edwards 2 George E. Thoday 6	Henry Kirk 3 Alan G. Kirk Teno
Ronald J. Sharp 3 Alfred E. Rushton 7 Sheila I. Smith 4 Stephen Ivin	Conducted by Alan G. Kirk.  Rung to mark the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. A. Richardson
Composed by Roger Baldwin. Conducted by Stephen Ivin.	of St. Peter's Church, Fairfield, Buxton.
HUSBORNE CRAWLEY, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. James.	THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sun., April 18, 1965, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR	STRANTON, Co. Durham.—At the Church of All Saints.  On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. in D.  Stephen Ivin Treble Keith R. Fleming 5	A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Rodney H. French 2 James R. Taylor 6	George S. Deas Treble   Thomas M. Cox 5
Robert R. Churchill 3 Alfred E. Rushton 7 Ronald J. Sharp 4 Peter Border Tenor	Jennifer Sceeny 2 William G. Wilson 6 Jack Roach 3 David J. Marshall 7
Composed by Michael Bruce. Conducted by Stephen Ivin.	Jack Roach 3 David J. Marshall 7 Kenneth Lawson 4 Eric N. Harrison Tenor
This composition contains all the -56 and -65 courses in full.  BEDFORD.—At the Church of St. Paul.	Composed by H. Dains. Conducted by Eric N. Harrison
On Mon., April 19, 1965, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes,	THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 28 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb. in D.	GREAT DUNMOW, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary.  On Sat., March 27, 1965, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,
Rodney H. French Treble   James R. Taylor 5   Kathleen A. Rivett 2   Stephen Ivin 6	A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb. in E.
Ronald J. Sharp 3 Alfred E. Rushton 7	Brian Pratt Treble   Donald F. Murfet 5
Martyn J. Marriott 4 Peter Border Tenor Composed by Roger Baldwin. Conducted by Stephen Ivin.	Peter Woollven 2 John G. Gipson 6 *Dennis E. Pepper 3 Geoffrey A. Lucas 7
Rung for the 87th birthday of Donald Thompson.	Geoffrey Pearson 4 George E. Thoday Tenor
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD	Composed by N. J. Pitstow. Conducted by George E. Thoday.  * First peal in the method.
STRADBROKE, Suffolk.—At the Church of All Saints.  On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,	
A PEAL OF 5029 STEDMAN CATERS Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in E flat.	BURWELL, Cambridgeshire.—At the Church of St. Mary the Blessed Virgin.
J. H. R. Freeborn (Clare) Treble V. Nutton (Selwyn) 6	On Sat., April 3, 1965, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5024 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
F. E. Haynes (St. Cath's) 2 J. M. H. Hunter (Trin.) 3 W. J. Ridgman (Queen's) 7 C. H. Rogers (Emman.) 8	Tenor 13 cwt. George E. Thoday Treble   *Thomas E. Spight 5
K. J. Darvill (St. Cath's) 4 C. M. P. Johnson (Selwyn) 9	Philip Mehew 2 George E. Bonham 6
F. C. Hobson (St. John's) 5 B. D. Threlfall (Trin.) Tenor Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by F. E. Haynes.	F. Nolan Golden 3 Leslie F. Bailey 7
The conductor's 100th peal for the Guild.	Peter Woollven 4 *Henry Tooke Tenor Composed by R. F. B. Speed. Conducted by F. Nolan Golden.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.	* 125th peal together.
ECCLESTON, Cheshire—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Blessed- Virgin.	GODMANCHESTER. Huntingdonshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.  On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 3 Hours,
On Sat., April 24, 1965, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR	A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb.
Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in D.	Peter J. Coles Treble Vernon Green 5
Judith M. Corby Treble   Robert W. Hinde 5 Lucile M. Corby 2   Andrew J. Corby 6	G. William Critchley 2 Colin A. S. Harwood 6 Claudia A. Critchley 3 J. Richard Castledine 7
Hilary F. Martin 3 Stanley Jenner 7	Eric Edmondson 4 Jack S. Dear Tenor
Composed by Philip G. K. Davies. Conducted by Stanley Jenner.	Composed by Arthur Knights (C.C.C. No. 11) Conducted by G. William Critchley.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  ST. NEOTS, Huntingdonshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.  On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR  Tenor 29 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in D. flat.  J. Richard Hough Treble David R. Saunderson . 5  George E. Bonham . 2 C. Michael Orme 6  Mary E. Edwards 3 Philip Mehew 7  Donald F. Murfet 4 George E. Thoday Tenor  Composed by C. H. Hattersley. Conducted by George E. Thoday.  The conductor's 100th different tenor turned in.  Rung with best wishes from the band to the Vicar, the Rev. S. A.  Griffiths, upon the occasion of his birthday.	THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  BRISTOL.—At the Church of SS. Philip and Jacob.  On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5088 GAINSBOROUGH SURPRISE MAJOR  Tenor 19 cwt. 11 lb. in E flat.  Richard J. Bowden Treble   Alan Tubb
WALSOKEN, Norfolk.—At the Church of All Saints.  On Sat., April 17, 1965, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR  Being seven different extents.  A. Keith Phillips Treble   †M. Roland Reed 4  *Ernest H. Mastin 2 George E. Bonham 5  Robert D. Bellamy 3 ‡George E. Thoday Tenor  Conducted by George E. Thoday Tenor  Loud L.	THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD GUILDFORD, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Nicolas. On Wed., April 28, 1965, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in E.  Jessie M. Kippin Treble Jill M. May 2 *Beryl R. Simpson 3 Douglas A. R. May . 8 †Christopher D. J. Webb 4 †Christopher D. J. Webb 4 †Alan D. Elsmore 5 †John F. M. Maybrey Tenor Composed by William Hudson. * First of Caters as conductor. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Lucy Hazelden, for many years a ringer at this church.
C. Michael Orme 2 George E. Bonham	THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  BROMYARD, Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.  On Tues., April 20, 1965, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR  Being two extents each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.  *George Corbett Treble Arthur F. Wall 4  William Hinksman 2 John Clements 5  John H. Thomas 3 *Thomas Cooper Tenor  Conducted by Thomas Cooper.  * 25th anniversary of first peal (1940). 50th anniversary of first peal on the bells (1915).
Conducted by George E. Thoday.  First peal on the bells since 1896.  THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION  COLCHESTER, Essex.—At the Church of All Saints, Shrub End.  On Sat., April 10, 1965, in 2 Hours and 5 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR  Being seven extents, viz.: Beverley, Ipswich, Cambridge, Plain Bob, Double Oxford, St. Clement's and  *Yvonne A. Murray . Treble Anne Edwards	THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.  BALLYLESSON, Co. Down.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.  Drumbo.  On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.  A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR  Seven different callings.  *Maud Austin Treble   John T. Dunwoody 4  †Rosemary Thompson . 2   †John Lindsay 5  Jean Jeffery 3   †Gerald D. Brown Tenor  Conducted by John T. Dunwoody.  * First peal of Treble Bob. † First in the method.
Conducted by George E. Thoday.  * First of Minor. † 100th peal for the Association.  COLCHESTER, Essex.—At the Church of All Saints, Shrub End.  On Sat., April 24, 1965, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR  Tenor 4 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in E flat.  *Michael J. Warren . Treble David E. Culham . 2 Peter G. Pitt 4 Neil V. Avis 5 Brian J. Vaughan 3 Lesley Ward Tenor  Conducted by Neil V. Avis.  * First peal. First as conductor.	THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. HERNHILL, Kent.—At the Church of St. Michael. On Sat April 24, 1965, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5184 ORWELL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 8½ cwt. in A flat.  *Peter S. Muchlinski Treble Monty W. Gilbert 5 Cyril S. Jarrett 2 David S. Osenton 6 Alexander Waddington Bernard F. L. Groves . 7 Christopher T. Osenton 4 Martin L. Howe Tenor Composed by G. Lindoff.  * First peal of Major. First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells and for the Association.
GREAT TOTHAM, Essex.—At the Church of St. Peter.  On Thurs., April 29, 1965, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR  Being seven extents in seven methods: 1 York Surprise, 2 Beverley Surprise, 3 Ipswich Surprise, 4 Cambridge Surprise, 5 Double Oxford, 6 St. Clement's, 7 Plain Bob.  *Carol Kemp Treble James L. Towler 2 Joe E. G. Roast 5 Richard J. Harrison 3 Patrick W. Saltmarsh . Tenor Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.  * First peal.	BRENCHLEY, Kent.—At the Church of All Saints.  On Mon., April 26, 1965, in 3 Hours,  A PEAL OF 5024 UXBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR  Tenor 17½ cwt. in E.  Robert T. Lambert . 2 christopher T. Osenton 6 Alexander Waddington . 3 Bernard F. L. Groves . 7 Norman R. Mattingley . 4 Martin L. Howe Tenor Composed by J. R. Mayne. Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.  * 100th peal. First peal in the method by all the band and on the bells.
A silver wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Roast.  LANGHAM, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary.  On Thurs., April 29, 1965.  A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR  In eight methods, being seven 720's as follows: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Kent T.B., (3) Double Court Bob, (4) St. Clement's and Double Oxford Bob. (5) Double and Oxford Bob, (6 and 7) Plain Bob.  John Avis Treble Neil V. Avis	Rung as a golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Relfe, of Lamberhurst, Kent.  MARDEN. Kent.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.  On Fri April 30, 1965, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.  A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR  Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.  Martin L. Howe Treble Reginald E. Lambert 2 Robert T. Lambert 3 Thomas E. Sone 4 Composed by Stephen Ivin. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung to welcome the new Vicar, the Rev. Hugh Bickersteth Biddell.  M.A., whose induction took place the previous evening.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
WORSLEY, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Mark. On Tues., April 20, 1965, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE RUYAL
Maryl R. Crossthwaite Treble Philip J. Crossthwaite . 6 Cyril Crossthwaite . 2 *Richard J. Parker 7 *Richard S. Starkie . 3 *Jeffrey Kershaw 8 *Margaret E. Fort 4 John H. Fielden 9 *John P. Partington . 5 J. Barry Pickup Tenor Composed by C. W. Roberts . Conducted by Cyril Crossthwaite.  * First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal.  A wedding compliment to the Vicar's son Robert Nigel Billington.
Cyril Crossthwaite 2 *Richard J. Parker 7
*Richard S. Starkie 3 *Jeffrey Kershaw 8
*Margaret E. Fort 4 John H. Fielden 9
Composed by C W Roberts Conducted by Cyril Crossthwaite
* First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal.
A wedding compliment to the Vicar's son, Robert Nigel Billington, and Miss Jean Ailsa Kenyon, marriel here earlier in the day.
HELMSHORE, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Thomas, Musbury.  On Thurs., April 22, 1965, in 3 Hours.  A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Michael Bell Treble   Philip J. Crossthwaite 5 *Margaret Crossthwaite 2   Roger Leigh 6 Maryl R. Crossthwaite 3   Richard S. Starkie 7 John P. Partington . 4   Cyril Crossthwaite Tenor Composed by C. Middleton. * First peal of Surprise.   Conducted by Maryl R. Crossthwaite . Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb.
*Margaret Crossthwaite 2 Roger Leigh 6
Maryl R. Crossthwaite
Composed by C Middleton Conducted by Maryl R Crossthwaite
* First peal of Surprise. Tenor 9 cwt. 2 gr. 16 lb.
CHILDWALL, Liverpool.—At the Church All Saints.
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Being 42 six scores (15 callings).  *Alan Denovan Treble  *Harry S. Glover 2 Thomas W. Hesketh 3  Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb.  G Robert Mordaunt 4  †Terence M. Fitzgerald 5  *Geoffrey V. Morris Tenor
*Harry S. Glover 2 Terence M. Fitzgerald 5
Thomas W. Hesketh 3 *Geoffrey V. Morris Tenor
Conducted by Thomas W. Hesketh.
* First peal. † First of Stedman Doubles.
Rung half-muffled for Good Friday.
FARNWORTH-with-KEARSLEY, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist.
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*David Hogg 2   Harold Worrall 5 David Vincent 3   John Ashcroft Tenor
Conducted by John Ashcroft
Conducted by John Ashcroft.  * First peal of Surprise "inside."
Christopher A. Lomax Treble John P. Partington
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George L. Geary ... Treble Barry Brant 4 Murrice R. A. Kirk 5 David F. Moore ... 3 \*Frederick Watson ... Tenor Conducted by Maurice R. A. Kirk.

\* 250th peal. Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Michael W. Brown,

WOODHOUSE EAVES, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Thurs., April 22, 1965, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Rev. M. C. C. Melville . Treble | Michael J. Roberts . . . . 4

Mary H. Barrass . . . 2 | Dan S. Pont . . . . . 5

Stephen Hall . . . . 3 | B. Stedman Payne . . . Tenor

Conducted by B. Stedman Payne.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

BARTON-ON-HUMBER. Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Sat.. May 1, 1965, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 16 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb.

\*Robert T. Harrison . Treble John Hall . . . . . . 5
\*Geoffrey Bromfield . . . . . . . 6
Ronald Chafer . . . . 3 Rev. Frederick Ross . . . . . 4
Jack Bray . . . . . 4 Michael W. Crowder . Tenor
Composed by C. Middleton.

\* First peal in the method. The conductor's 750th peal.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
LLANDAFF, Glamorgan.—At the Cathedral Church of SS. Peter
and Paul.

On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr. in E.

\*Stephen Fenwick . . . Treble

\*Ruth E. Havard . . . 2

\*Nicholas D. Evans . . 3

Thomas Yeomans . . . 4

Nicholas W. H. Simon 5

Composed by Albert M. Tyler. Conducted by Nicholas W. H. Simon.

\* First peal of Grandsire Caters. † First of Grandsire Caters

"inside."

A 19th birthday compliment to Miss Ruth Hayard, and an engagement compliment to Mr. Foster, Master of Bristol University ringers, and Miss Christine Snelling, also a University ringer.

ABERDARE, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Elvan.

On Sun., May 2, 1965, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's Transposition.

Donald G. Clift Treble
Penelope J. Welch 2
PGeoffrey Kerley 3

†James Clatworthy (14) 4

Conducted by Nicholas W. H. Simon 7

Tenor 17 cwt. in E.

\*David Kerley . . . . 5

David J. Llewellyn 6

Nicholas W. H. Simon 7

\*Desmond Kerley . . . Tenor

Conducted by Nicholas W. H. Simon.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples. † First peal and the youngest to ring a peal of Stedman Triples for the Association. First of Stedman as conductor. The first peal on the bells for 27 years.

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MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. WILLESDEN, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Thurs., April 22, 1965, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5152 DITCHEAT SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A. Alick Cutler Treble Dennis Knox 5 Joan Beresford 2 John R. Mayne 6 Ruth M. Foreman 3 John Hill 7 Martin F. Lock 4 Thomas J. Lock Tenor Composed and Conducted by John R. Mayne. First peal in the method.  HILLINGDON, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist. On Sat., April 24, 1965, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in E flat.  *Jeffrey M. Britchford Treble William H. Coles 5 William Hibbert 2 John Hill 6 Derek H. Francis 3 Dennis Knox 7 Albert R. G. Twinn 4 Frank C. Price Tenor Composed by C. Middleton. * First peal on eight bells. † 25th peal. In memoriam Herbert Langdon.  THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. NORTON-LE-MOORS, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew. On Sun. April 25, 1965, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. W. Pickett Treble   *David Bennett 5 Paul Phillips 2   Owen Williams 6 Paul P	THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.  TICHMARSH, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.  On Sat., April 10, 1965, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lb. in E.  *John Woolley Treble Richard A. Webster 5 Robert C. Woodward 3 Gilbert F. Cowlin 7  *Gillian Waller 4 Gilbert F. Cowlin 7  *Gromposed by H. J. Tucker. Conducted by Richard C. L. Brown.  * First peal on eight bells. † First of Bob Major "inside." ‡ First peal.  WOBURN, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Sat., April 24, 1965, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 24 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in D.  William J. Chester Treble Diana M. Frost 2 Alan A. Paul 6 Graham C. Paul 3 Alan J. Frost 7 George W. Holland.  COGENHOE, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of St. Peter. On Sat., April 10, 1965, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 COGENHOE DELIGHT MINOR Being one 2,160 and four different extents.  Conducted by Graham C. Paul 5 A PEAL OF 5040 COGENHOE DELIGHT MINOR Being one 2,160 and four different extents. Conducted by Graham C. Paul Tenor Ruddlesden.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  BUNWELL, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.  On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR  In seven methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. George H. Maynard . Treble  *Robin R. Churchill . 2  Wilfred G. Saunders . 3 † C. Frank W. Phillippo  * First peal in seven methods. † 200th peal.	On Thurs., April 29, 1965, in 3 Hours and 40 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5280 LONDINIUM SURPRISE MAXIMUS  Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.  John C. Eisel Treble   David J. Purnell
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  MARSTON, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.  On Mon., April 19, 1965, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES  In 13 methods, being one extent each of Leigh, Dee, Severn, Kennet, Ray, two of Isis, and five each of Derwent, Windrush, Avon, Thames, Welland, Trent, Frome.  *Ian RossTreble   Leonard R. Porter	BIRMINGHAM.—At the Church of St. Nicolas, King's Norton.  On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL  Tenor 17 cwt. 34 lb. in E.  Muriel Reay Treble   David J. Purnell 6 Robert E. Hardy 2   J. Alan Ainsworth 7 Michael J. Fellows 3   Norman J. Goodman 8 Susan Funnell 4   George E. Fearn 9 Philip J. Rothera 5   Clifford A. Barron Tenor  Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.  SOLIHULL, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. James the Great, Shirley.  On Wed., April 28, 1965, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 6 cwt. 29   lb. in B flat.  William J. V. Conduct Treble   Norman J. Goodman 5 Muriel Reay 2   J. Alan Ainsworth Tenor Composed by Frank Bennett. Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth Tenor Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth Tenor Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth Tenor
*Mrs. H. Smith 2 William J. H. Parker Tenor Conducted by William J. H. Parker Tenor *First peal on six bells. † First in three Minor methods.  HINTON WALDRIST, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Margaret. On Sat., May 1. 1965, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb.  Denis A. Leslie Treble *Susan Cantwell 2 *Albert E. Hicks 5 Roy H. Jones 3 David Floyd Tenor Conducted by David Floyd.  * First peal of Minor. First of Minor as conductor.  DITCHEAT SURPRISE MAJOR. —58—4—12—36—14—3.16—36,1. 8ths place l.e. 14263857. 4ths place bobs.	THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.  SHERBORNE, Dorset.—At the Abbey Church of St. Mary the Virgin.  On Sat., April 24, 1965, in 4 Hours and 9 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR  In eight methods, containing 768 each of London and Rutland, 640 Bristol, and 576 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire, with 118 changes of method.  Tenor 46 cwt. 5 lb. in B flat.  Jennifer M. Cook . Treble Brian Bladon

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THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.  CORSCOMBE, Dorset.—At the Church of St. Mary.  On Sat., April 17, 1965, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES  Tenor 13½ cwt. in F.  *Brian Tither Treble   Melvyn Hiller 4  H. Dennis W. Bishop . 2   Jesse Davis 5  *John Davis 3   Joseph T. Barrett Tenor  Conducted by Jesse Davis.  * First peal. First peal as conductor.  Rung for Easter Festival.  THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.	STANTON LACEY, Shropshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.  On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR  Being four extents Kent Treble Bob and three Plain Bob.  Tenor 12 cwt. 12 lb.  David J. Bates Treble   Michael S. Bruce 4  Terry J. Greaves 2   *Philip R. Johnson 5  Richard B. Dorrington . 3   Philip G. K. Davies Tenor  Conducted by Philip G. K. Davies.  * First peal in two methods.  THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  FINDON, Sussex.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.
BALDERTON, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Giles.  On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES  J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part.  Katharine Burchnall . Treble Paul Raithby 2 Mary C. Poyner 3 Cyril H. Pritchett 7 Grace Burchnall 4  Conducted by William L. Exton 6  Conducted by William L. Exton.  * 50th peal for the Guild. † Has now "completed the circle."  Rung as a compliment to John Thomas Stone and Gillian Holmes,	On Thurs., April 29, 1965, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR  Being two extents of Cambridge Surprise and Oxford Treble Bob, 720 Kent Treble Bob, and two extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. Leonard Stilwell Treble   Henry C. Weaver 4 Herbert W. Woolven 2 Stanley G. Ponting 5 J. Richard Wilson 3 Ronald F. Diserens Tenor Conducted by Leonard Stilwell. Rung half-muffled for Herbert Wakelam, the much esteemed local captain, who died suddenly on April 21st.
HOLME PIERREPONT, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St.  Edmund.  On Wed., April 28, 1965, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,	THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. SOUTHAMPTON.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Sat., April 24, 1965, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5043 STEDMAN CATERS
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR  Being four extents Oxford Bob and three extents Plain Bob.  Tenor 12 cwt.  *W. Gordon Marsh Treble   †Ruth Blackshaw 4	Tenor 21 cwt. 64 lb. in E flat.  Michael J. Thomas Treble   John Hartless 6  Mrs. T. H. Francis 2   R. Roger Savory 7  Maurice J. Butler 3   John R. Faithfull 8
Robert D. Marsh 2 † Maurice W. Harrison 5 S. Jane Dowse 3 William L. Exton Tenor Conducted by William L. Exton. * First peal of Minor. † 100th peal together.	Carolyn Vibert 4 Raymond Haines 5 Composed by George T. Daltry.  PORTSMOUTH, Hampshire.—At the Cathedral Church of St.
Best wishes to James A. Heaps from all at Holme Pierrepont.  THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.  STAFFORD.—At the Church of St. Mary.  On Mon., April 19, 1965, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5140 PLAIN BOB ROYAL	Thomas of Canterbury.  On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL  Leonard Stilwell Treble  W. Arthur Riddington . 2 John H. Napper 3  Thomas of Canterbury.  A Hours and 21 Minutes,  Arthur V. Davis 6  Reginald F. Crook 7  *Philip Murduck 8
Tenor 19 cwt. 11 lb. in E.  *Jennifer M. Beech Treble Roger L. Hawksworth . 6  †Remi M. Hodister 2 John K. Smith	Reginald W. Rex 4 Arthur Sayers 9 Alan A. Buswell 5 Geoffrey K. Dodd Tenor Composed by H. Tucker. Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.  * First peal on ten bells. Tenor 25½ cwt. Rung for the Queen's birthday, also a 60th birthday compliment to Miss K. Jones, the Cathedral tower secretary.  WHITCHURCH, Hampshire.—At the Church of All Hallows. On Sat., April 17. 1965, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
TAMWORTH, Staffordshire.—At the Collegiate Church of St. Editha.  On Sat May 1, 1965, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL  Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.  J. Edward Cawser Treble Beryl E. Cawser 2 George H. Peers, jun 7  Gordon H. Lane 3 †B. John Hodgetts 8  *Alan Evans 4 Norman W. Attaway 9  Paul J. Rigby 5 Russell S. Morris Tenor  Conducted by J. Edward Cawser.  * First peal of Royal. † First on ten.  Rung as a welcome to the Vicar, the Rev. A. Edwards.	Anthony D. Smith
CANNOCK. Statffordshire.—At the Church of St. Luke.  On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES  Parker's Twelve-Part (7th observation). Tenor 14 cwt. 11 lb.  *John D. R. Smith Treble   *Harry Butler 5  †Susan J. Devey 2 James S. Eastwood 6  Bert Horton 3 Peter J. Barker 7  *Cyril T. Collins 4 George Bradbury Tenor  Conducted by Peter J. Barker.  * First peal of Triples. † First peal. First of Triples as conductor.  Rung as a mark of appreciation to Mr. F. Linford, J.P., who has recently retired after 15 years' service as Vicar's warden at this church; also arranged to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the first peal Mr. Bert Horton rang for this Society.	*Gillian Pike
WEDNESBURY, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew.  On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR  Tenor 24 cwt. 18 lb.  *Patrick J. Bryan Treble *Christine J. Turner . 2 John Moore 6 *John F. Astbury 3 Maurice G. Turner . 7 *Roger Staite 4 Howard Howell Tenor Composed by J. Reeves. * First peal of Treble Bob.	THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. DUDLEY, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Andrew, Netherton.  On Fri., April 30, 1965, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.  A PEAL OF 5152 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR  Tenor 13 cwt. 3 lb. in F sharp.  A Elizabeth Timmins . Treble Martin D. Fellows . 2 Clifford A. Barron . 6 Robert E. Hardy . 3 J. Alan Ainsworth . 7 Michael J. Fellows . 4 George E. Fearn Tenor Composed by Joseph W. Parker. Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

#### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

TODMORDEN, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Paul, Cross Stone, On Thurs., Feb. 18, 1965, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

#### A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

IL I DIED OF COST CONTRACT	
Middleton's	Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb. in A.
A. William Kirkby Treble	Harold B. Schofield 5
Mrs. H. B. Schofield 2	Adrian Boorman 6
Colin Ashworth 3	S. Barry Schofield 7
A. Peter Whitehead 4	Leonard Goodall Tenor
Conducted by A.	Peter Whitehead.

CARLTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Sat., April 24, 1965, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Single Oxford, Cambridge, Oxford T.B.,

Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.

	Lenor	o cwt.
		Ronald R. Warford 4
Kenneth B. Sissons	 2	G. Frederick Terry 5
		J. Martin Thorley Tenor
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Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.
Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. David Pearson, of Huntington, Yorkshire, by members of the Selby and District Society.

#### HANDBELL PEALS

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
HOUGHTON CONQUEST, Bedfordshire.—At No. 28, High Street,
On Thurs., March 25, 1965, in 2 Hours and 10 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Tenor size 15 in C sharp.
\*Rodney H. French . 1—2 | Stephen Ivin (cond.) . . 3—4
\*Martyn J. Marriott . . 5—6

\* First peal on handhells

\* First peal on handbells.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
MARPLE, Cheshire.—At All Saints' Bell Tower.
On Wed., April 21, 1965, in 2 Hours and 6 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 12 in F.
Frank Osbaldiston . . 1—2 | Giles B. Thompson
Robert B. Smith . . . 3—4 | Alan McFall . . . 7-8 Conducted by Robert B. Smith. Composed by C. Kenneth Lewis.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION HARROW Middlesex.-At 170, Headstone Lane, On Fri., April 23, 1965, in 2 Hours and 14 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 20 methods, comprising 320 each of Bristol, Cambridge, Ealing. Eastcote, Elford, Leatherhead, Lindum, London, Rutland, Uxbridge, Watford and Wembley, and 160 each of Aldenham, Hitchin, Langley, Lincolnshire, Painswick, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire, with 139 changes of method.

Tenor size 13 in E. changes of method. S. Kathleen M. Baldwin 1—2 | Roger Baldwin . . . 5—6

John R. Mayne . . . 3—4 | \*Gerald Penney . . . 7—8

Composed and Conducted by John R. Mayne.

\* First peal of 20 spliced. First peal of Spliced Surprise Major in 20 methods for the Association.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

CRAYFORD, Kent.-At 26, Iron Mill Lane. On Wed., April 14, 1965, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

Peter Beresford . . . 1—2 | Edwin A. Barnett . . . 5—6

Joan Beresford . . . 3—4 | Sheila M. Dobbie . . . 7—8

Composed by C. H. Martin. Conducted by E. A. Barnett. Joan Beresford Arranged as a compliment to Edwin Barnett, on his 80th birthday.

> THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. HAWKSHEAD, Lancashire.—At Betty Fold.
> On Sat., April 17, 1965, in 1 Hour and 50 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 NICHOLASTON BOB MINOR

Tenor size 11 in G.

bbin Shuttleworth . 1-2 | Mary Whalley

Joseph Whalley (cond.) 5-6

First peal in the method by all. Robin Shuttleworth

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

NORWICH, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. George, Colegate.

On Sun., April 25, 1965, in 1 Hour and 46 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor size 15 in C. Peter N. Mackley . . . 1—2 Richard A. J. Bower Kenneth L. Brown . . . 3—4 Being seven extents. (cond.) 5-6

BISHOPTHORPE, YORKS -On April 25th, 1,272 Plain Bob Minimus: A. N. Pearce 1, Jennifer Pearce 2, C. J. Groome 3, A. C. Banton (cond.) 4. A compliment to John Woolley and Margaret Woodward, on their engagement.

BLUNSDON, WILTS .- On April 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss A. Porter 1, J. Vincent 2, Mrs. A. Collins 3, A. T. Collins 4, W. H. Trueman (cond.) 5, E. Ford 6. For Swindon Bowling Association annual service.

BREDFIELD, SUFFOLK.—On Easter Day, 1,260 Cambridge and Plain Bob Minor: C. W. Pipe (cond.) 1, Sylvia R. E. Pipe 2, C. R. Lovett 3, M. Daniels 4, R. Downing 5, E. C. Pearce 6.

CLAPHAM COMMON, LONDON.—On April 22nd, 1260.

1,260 Grandsire Triples: Dorothea M. Robotham 1, A. R. Millidge 2, G. W. Shanks 3, R. J. Cooles 4, B. J. Imber (first on eight) 5, J. R. Pratt (first on eight "inside") 6, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 7, T. J. Farmer 8. In memory of Mr. D. A. Imber, father of ringer of 5th, who died the previous Saturday, years.

EASTCHURCH, SHEPPEY, KENT .-- On April 4th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): H. Gardener 1, Peter Beal (first quarter) 2, Nicholas Chesson (first quarter) 3, Joan Hayward 4, P. Wilkinson (cond.) 5. Hayward 6. For Evensong

EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKS.—On Easter Day, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. White I, H. Bishop 2, Mary Thomas 3, G. Bishop 4, C. J. Garlick 5, A. H. Webb 6, J. Napper (cond.) 7, M. Bishop 8. 50th

quarter together 6 and 8. For Evensong.

FILTON, GLOS.—On April 25th, 1,320 Doubles

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2, A. Howard (cond.) 3, D. C. Haslum 4, D. S.

Voss 5, M. E. Buckler 6, Rung for and on St. Mark's Day, and for the 50th anniversary of Anzac Day. First in ten methods by all except conductor.

GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFULK .- On Easter Day, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: C. W. Pipe (cond.) 1, Gillian Schofleld 2, L. N. Melton 3, R. W. Pipe 4, A. R. Bridges 5, C. R. Lovett 6, Sylvia R. E. Pipe 7, E. C. Pearce 8, R. W. Downing 9, S. E. Pipe 10.

## **OUARTER PEALS**

GEDLING, NOTTS .- On April 25th, 1,260 Bluebell Doubles: G. A. Dawson (cond.) 1, Margaret E. Chilton 2, J. T. Burnup 3, D. A. Osbourne 4, D. Surman 5, R. Adey 6. First in this variation by For Matins.

HEMINGTON, SUMERSET .- On April 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Dawn White 1, Sandra Weaver 2, R. Weaver 3, Edward Penney 4, Jennifer Durston (cond.) 5, Rev. A. G. Durston 6. Rung for early

HEMINGFURD ABBUTS, HUNTS .- On April 11th, HEMINGFORD ABBUTS, HUNTS.—On April 11th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. R. B. Davey 1, Miss M. J. Nissly 2, A. J. Davey 3, J. R. Hough 4. H. S. Peacock 5, P. Woollven (cond.) 6. Also on Easter Day, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Mrs. R. B. Davey 1, Miss J. K. A. Cook 2, R. F. Nicholls 3, A. J. Davey 4, H. S. Peacock 5, P. Woollven (cond.) 6. Both for morning service.

HEAVITREE, EXETER.-On April 19th, 1.264 Plain Bob Major: P. Colton 1, F. Wreford 2, B. Downie 3, J. Glanvill 4, B. Coles 5, C. Bryant 6, G. Skinner 7, N. Mallett (cond.) 8.

HITCHAM, BUCKS.—On Easter Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Wilton (first quarter) 1, Penelope Ferris (first quarter) 2, J. Sceeny 3, M. Sceeny 4, G. J. Berry 5, H. Oglesby (cond.) 6.

HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.-On March 29th, Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Miss M. 1, Miss G. Smith 2, R. Biggs 3, Miss J. Barton 4, A. Newton 5, P. Newton 6, R. Newton 7, D. Cornwall (cond.) 8, Rung in memoriam Mr. A.

MARTUCK, SUMERSET.-On April 21st, Plain Bob Major: J. T. Locke 1, W. H. Tarr 2, R. Beale 3, J. E. Brewer 4, R. J. Dean 5, H. J. Gaylard 6, A. W. Dyer 7, J. W. Drew (cond.) 8. A birthday compliment to Her Majesty the Queen.

MERSTHAM, SURREY. - On Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Knipe 1, A. T. Shelton 2, Joan Hanning 3, G. Charlton 4, A. Bull 5, W. Inwood 6, C. H. Cook (first of Triples as cond.) 7.

OXFORD.-At St. Aldate's, on Easter Day, 1,260 Doubles (two methods): B. G. Benstead (first quarter) 1, Miss G. Gray (first in two methods) 2, V. Griffin (cond.) 3, R. Benstead (first in two methods "inside") 4, R. H. Allsworth 5, A. Ivings 6. For Evensong.

PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX .- 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Miss C. Lewis (first quarter) 1, A. Cansdale 2, M. Hallett 3, B. Sadler 4, S. Halliwell (first quarter) 5, D. Sloman (first of Royal) 6, J. Belcham 7, L. Beal 8. P. Sadler 9, P. Sloman (first of Royal as

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX .- On April 4th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss S. Hayward 1, A. House 2, Miss P. Halliwell (first in method) 3, F. May 4, P. Bedford 5, D. Belcham 6, M. Hallett (cond.) 7, G. Blower 8, For Evensong.

ST. GLUVIAS, CURNWALL.—On April 24th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Barbara Duck 1, Valerie J. Perkin 2, Frances M. Rickard 3, Rev. A. S. Roberts 4, A. Locke 5, G. F. Dunstan 6, A. J. Davidson (cond.) 7, D. Stephens 8.

SITTINGBOURNE, KENT .- On Easter Day, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Wendy R. Austin 1. G. Kenward
2. Mrs. G. Nicholson 3, J. Clark 4, S. B. Dobbie
5. B. Jemmett 6, G. A. Naylor (cond.) 7, G.
Nicholson 8. Rung for Festival Evensong.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.—On April 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Hawkins 1, D. E. Cobb 2, I. L. Dear 3, A. J. Slade (first of Triples "inside") 4, R. Durrant 5, M. C. Austin (first of Triples as cond.) 6, R. J. Chapman 7, E. T. Newnham 8. For Matins.

WURPLESDON, SURREY.-On April 11th, 1,260 Doubles (720 Plain Bob, 540 Grandaire): C. Gumbrol (first quarter) 1, C. Slyfield 2, P. Rye 3, D. Lodge (first "inside") 4, J. Collier (cond.) 5, R. Jordan 6. For Evensong.

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Heather Ann. 6853 LEE.—To Jean and Alan at Royal United Hospital, Bath, on May 2nd, 1965, a daughter.

RETURN THANKS
MRS. M. WINTER KNIGHT thanks most sincerely all those friends and ringing societies and associations who so kindly sent flowers and messages of sympathy in her recent be-reavement of her son, the late F. C. W. Knight, and apologises for the delay in writing personal letters of thanks to all. 6825

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1965.

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DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Final of Horsley Cup at Horsley, May 22nd at 2.30 p.m. Non-competitors requiring tea send names to D. J. Marshall, 52, Wyvern Avenue, Long Eaton, Nottingham. 6782

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JOAN A RANCE,

Tower Sec. 6836

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### ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

To mark the centenary of the opening by the Society of the back six bells of St. Ann's, Stamford Hill, the Vicar and Churchwardens have kindly invited members to join in celebrations at that church on Saturday, July 3rd, 1965.

A shortened Evensong will commence at 5 p.m., to be followed by high tea in a nearby hall. The bells will be available from 3 to 5 p.m. and during the evening.

Will those wishing to attend please notify Mr. E. J. Rowe, 3, Avenue Road, Tottenham. N.15, as soon as possible, but not later than June 24th.

JOHN CHILCOTT, JOHN CHILCOTT,

Hon. Secretary

Hon Secretary

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — The peal secretary for this Association now is: G. Pearson, 15, Lewis Crescent, Great Abington, Cambridge.—H. S. Peacock, Gen. Sec. GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Peal booking fees, 1s. per rope, should be sent, together with details and composition of peal, as soon as possible after the peal, to the Hon. Peal Secretary of the Association. Mrs. M. A. Wratten, 19, Ravensgate Road. Charlton Kings, Cheltenham. Life members' subscriptions, 10s. 6d., should be sent to the Hon. Secretary together with address of new members; certificates of membership can only be sent if address is known.—Charles Rouse. Hon. Sec., 42, Brookfield Road, Churchdown. Glos.

Glos.

ST, MARGARET'S, LEICESTER.—Dedication of "Ernest Morris Memorial Window," Saturday, May 22nd, at 3 p.m., by Canon F. Pratt. Bells available after service. Buffet tea for limited number in adjoining Church Hall. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday. May 19th. to Mrs. P. J. Staniforth. 150, Narborough Road South, Leicester. All welcome.

STOKE-NEXT-GUILDFORD. — No practices on May 17th, 24th, 31st and June 7th and 14th because of examinations at the Technical College.

**MEETINGS** 

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BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Dunster Branch.—Ten-bell practice, Minehead, May 15th, 7 p.m. Quarterly
Meeting, Huish Champflower, June 12th, from
3 p.m.—A. R. Tudhall.

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN
ASSOCIATION.—Half-yearly meeting at Gosforth on May 15th. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m.
Committee 4. Tea 5. Service 7.30 p.m.
Please send names for tea to Miss G. Douglas,
5, Ross Way, Gosforth, Newcastle, 3. 6788
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Huntingdon District.—Meeting at Hemingford Grey
Saturdav, May 15th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service
4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Hemingford Abbots also
available after tea.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 6809

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Meeting at Fyfield on Saturday, May 15th. The meeting will start with the District heat of the ringing competition at 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and further ringing. Names for tea to J. S. Godfrey, 1, Hall Cottages, Cannons Lane, Fyfield, Ongar. 6757—GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Gloucester Branch.—Meeting at Whitminster on Saturday, May 15th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. to 4.15 p.m., followed by service at Frampton-on-Severn, 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing after business meeting at Frampton (6).—P. Clarkson, Hon. Sec. 6822—GUILD OF MEDICAL RINGERS.—Saturday, May 15th. Ringing: Richmond 3.30: All Hallows'. Twickenham, 7 p.m. Names for dinner (7 p.m.) to D. L. Gullick, Mount View, Stevenage, Herts. 6789

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HAWKHURST AND DISTRICT GUILD.
A.G.M. at Hawkhurst, Saturday, May 15th. Ringing 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to D. West, "The Cedars," Copt Hall Avenue, Hawkhurst, Kent.
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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—St. Paul's, Walden, May 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 4.50 p.m. Evening, King's Walden. Names for tea essential, please, to Mrs. L. Coburn, 3, Lea Road, Harpenden.—R. D. R. Brown, Dis. Sec. 6780

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District. — Meeting at Lympne on Saturday, May 15th. Bells (6, 12 cwt.) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Good attendance specially requested. Names for tea to Mr. H. P. Yates, "Long View," Berwick Lane, Lympne. 6770 MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—N. & E. District.—Meeting. Edmonton. May

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—
N. & E. District.—Meeting, Edmonton, May 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business. Evening ringing.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec. 6797
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.— South Oxon Branch.—Annual meeting, Watlington, Saturday, May 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4. Names for tea to J. Godman, 22, Sunnyside Benson. 6813

Benson.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—

Newark District.—Meeting, Saturday, May 15th, at Elston. Cup contest 2.30 p.m. Open ringing in evening. Names for tea must be sent to Mrs. Peatfield, Appleacre, Elston, Newark. Numbers limited.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Clun Western Division.—Quarterly meeting, Western Division.—Quarterly meeting, Western Division.—Quarterly meeting, Western Division.—Please notify for tea.—

R. Wake, 28, Keynor Estate, Sidlesham, Chichester. Sussex. Tel. Sid 325.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Practice meeting, Chailey (6), on Saturday, May 15th. Bells 3 p.m.

Tea 5 p.m. Please bring picnic tea.—Hon. Div. Sec.

SUSSER ASSOCIATION — Southern

Div. Sec. 6847
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Southern
District.—Annual meeting, Bolsterstone, May
15th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Very
important that names be submitted to Mr. J. A.
Brearley, The Paddock, Spink Hall, Stocksbridge, Sheffield. Wortley (8) also available 2-3.30 p.m. Important business—
election of District Secretary.—J. J. L. Gilbert.

LADIES' GUILD. - Western District. Practice meeting, St. James', Horsefair, Bristo! (10), Tuesday, May 18th. Bells available 7.30

—9 p.m.—M. de Jong. 6833

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. — Crewe Branch.—Church Minshull, May 22nd. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by May 19th.—W. Kerr, 107, Moreton Road, Crewe, Cheshire. 6830

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD. — Coventry District. — Meeting at Burton Hastings (5) on May 22nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to H. M. Windsor, Holly House, Burton Hastings, near Nuneaton. 6849

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Wisbech Branch. — Meeting, Denver, Saturday, May 22nd. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 (owr food).—I. Fox, Dis. Sec. 6848

ESSEX ASSOCIATION -- Northern District. -Meeting at Earls Colne on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Names for tea to Mr. P. Wood, 10, The Causeway, Finchingfield, Braintree. 6805

LADIES' GUILD.—South Wales District.—
Meeting on May 22nd at Llandaff Cathedral.
Bells (10) available 3.15 p.m. Refreshment 5.
Business followed by service 6. Bells 6.45.
Gentlemen welcome. Names, please, to Miss
P. Welch, 1, Vaughan Avenue, Llandaff, Glam.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Loughborough District. — Meeting, May 22nd. Ringing to be held at Heather 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. Ibstock open at 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. and tea 5 p.m. at Ibstock Church Hall. Names for tea to Mr. A. R. Tonks, 84. High Street, Ibstock, by Wednesday, May 19th. Methods to be rung: Norfolk and Ipswich.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.— Eastern Branch.—Meeting at Norton Subcourse on May 22nd. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names for tea by Wednesday, May 19th, certain, to Mr. N. P. J. Cossey, Hon. Sec., Low Road, Norton Subcourse, Norwich, Nor. 26W.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chipping Norton Branch.—Annual general meeting at Chipping Norton on Saturday, May 22nd. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5, followed by

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch. — Saturday, May 22nd, Penn. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Those requiring tea please send names by Tuesday, 18th,—Miss Hague, 6. Stompits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 6820 PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—
Northamston Branch — Evening Practice

Northampton Branch. — Evening Practice, Cogenhoe, Saturday, May 22nd. Bells 6 p.m. All welcome.—B. E. Frost, Sec. 6784
PETERBOROUGH GUILD. — Rutland

PETERBOROUGH GUILD. — Rutland Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Caldicot (5 bells), Saturday, May 22nd, 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to W. C. A. Clark, Middle Street, Wing, Oakham. 6839 SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — Calne Branch.—Meeting, Yatesbury (5), May 22nd. Usual arrangements. Names for tea, please. —Miss V. Preston, 24, Yatesbury, Calne.—W. 6843.

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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.— Salisbury Branch.—May 22nd, practice meeting, Winterslow. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday, 18th, to G. A. Trimby, 24, West Street, Wilton. 6828
SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD.—
Meeting, Fobbing, Saturday, May 22nd. Bells 3, Service 4.30. followed by cups of tea, with ringing till 8.30 p.m.—G. R. Eve, Hon. Sec. 6834

SUFFOLK GUILD.—S.W. District.—District meeting at Stoke-by-Nayland on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4,30. Names for tea by May 19th, please, to Mr. R. King, 3, Crossfields, Stoke-by-Nayland, Colchester, Essex.

Sussex County Association.— Eastern Division.—Quarterly meeting at Battle on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells available 3-4.30 p.m. and 6.15-8.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Business meeting to follow. Names for tea. essential. to I. V. Smith, 37, Wellington Gardens, Battle, Sussex.—G. FitzHugh, Hon. Div.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.—Annual 'ringers' service, Sunday, May 23rd, 6.15 p.m. Bells (12) 4.30 p.m. and after service. All are welcome.—R. T. Watts

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Business meeting at the Rising Sun, Carter Lane, E.C., on Tuesday, May 25th, at 8.15 p.m. Forthcoming practices all commencing 6.30 p.m.: May 18th, Southwark Cathedral; May 25th, St. Paul's Cathedral: June 1st, St. Michael's, Cornhill; June 8th St. Lawrence's, Jewry.—John Chilcott. 6841 PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD

The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, May 29th, 1965, at Oundle.

Committee meeting, 3.15 p.m., and service, 4.15 p.m., in church.

Tea (followed by meeting) 5 p.m.

Tea tickets (3/6 each and c.w.o.) to be obtained from Mr. A. Hinton,
The Police Station, Warmington, Nr. Oundle, by not later than Tuesday,

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	Wansford (5)		p.m2.45		7	15	p.m9.00	p.m.
	Elton (5)		p.m3.00				p.m9.00	
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			E. Bil	ungs,	General	Se	cretary .	

LADIES' GUILD. — Central District. —
Quarterly meeting at Reading, May 29th.
Bells available: St. Laurence's (12) 3-4;
St. Mary's (8) 4 o'clock. Service at
St. Mary's at 5 o'clock followed by tea,
meeting and further ringing. Names for tea,
please, to Mrs. F. E. Diserens, 15, Hartsbourne
Road, Earley, Reading, Berks, by previous
Tuesday.—J. Spreadbury. 6837
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — North
Berks Branch. — Annual meeting, Wantage,
Saturday, May 29th. Bells 2.45 p.m. Service
3.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea not
later than May 25th, please, to: C. Corderoy,
West-Wynds, Westbrook Street, Blewbury,
Didcot. 6814

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—The 86th annual general meeting willl be held on Whit Monday, June 7th, at Chelmsford. Service at 11 a.m. Annual meeting immediately after in Chapter House. Coffee available in Cathedral Hall from 10.15–10.45 a.m. Lunch 1.30 p.m., cost 5s. 6d. Tea (poached egg, etc.) as a running buffet, 5–6.15 p.m., cost 2s. 6d. Ringing: Cathedral, 10–10.45 a.m. and from 6–8.30 p.m. From 3–6, Great Baddow, Writtle, Galleywood, Springfield. From 6–9: Great Waltham, Boreham, Broomfield, Lt. Waltham, Lt. Baddow. Lunch and tea cannot be guaranteed without tickets, obtainable from Gen. Treasurer. S.A.E. to: P. J. Eves, 8, Lordship Road, Writtle, by Wednesday, June 2nd. — P. W. Saltmarsh, Gen. Secretary.

SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD and LADIES' GUILD (Central District).—
Joint ringing day, Saturday, June 19th. Bells: Morning, Stanford-le-Hope, South Benfleet and Rayleigh; afternoon, Great Wakering. Prittlewell. Service and tea, Prittlewell. Evening ringing: Leigh, Thorpe Bay and Prittlewell. All welcome.

KIRKBY-IN-ASHFIELD, NOTTS

April 15th, 1,440 Kennington Bob Doubles: Elizabeth Hill 1, M. J. Kirk 2, G. Allcock 3, J. A. Harrison (cond.) 5. For Maundy Thursday Evensong.

April 16th, 1,260 Litchurch Bob Doubles: Linda Baguley 1, Thelma Staples 2, J. A. Harrison 3, M. J.

Kirk (cond.) 4, E. A. Harrison 5. For Holy Hour on Good Friday.

on Good Friday.

April 18th, 1,260 Marston Doubles: Linda Baguley

1, Thelma Staples 2, E. A. Harrison (cond.) 3, J. A.

Harrison 4, M. J. Kirk 5. For Choral Communion.

April 18th, 1,320 Norfolk Doubles: Linda Baguley

1, Maureen Green 2, M. J. Kirk 3, J. A. Harrison 4,

E. A. Harrison (cond.) 5. For Evensong.

April 19th, 1,260 Old Bob Doubles: Maureen Green 1, Thelma Staples 2, J. A. Harrison 3, M. J. Kirk (cond.) 4, E. A. Harrison 5.

April 19th, 1,320 Pluto Doubles: Maureen Green

1, Theima Staples 2, M. J. Kirk 3, E. A. Harrison 4, J. A. Harrison (cond.) 5.

#### LATE NOTICES

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MISCELLANEOUS
ASHCOTT, SOMERSET. — Spring Sale, Saturday, May 15th, 3 p.m., in Church Room. Stalls, sideshows, raffle, etc., teas. In aid of Bell Fund. Bells (6) 4 to 6 p.m. Looking forward to seeing you. 6851

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. —
Farnham District. — Meeting at Puttenham postponed until May 29th.—D. P. Elsmore. Dis. Sec.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chester CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chester Branch.—Meeting, Dodleston, Saturday, May 22nd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 o'clock. Numbers for tea, by Wednesday, May 19th, please, to: R. C. H. Sibley, Hon. Sec., 35, Appleyards Lane, Chester. 6861 HEREFORD GUILD.—Bromyard District.—Outstrelly meeting Stoke Laux, 2 p.m. May

HEREFORD GUILD.—Bromyard District.—Quarterly meeting, Stoke Lacy, 3 p.m., May 22nd. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 by reservation only. Numbers to R. L. Price, 18, New Road, Bromyard, by 20th, please. 6858
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Towester Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Alderton on Saturday, May 22nd. Names for tea, by Tuesday previous, to W. A. Yates. Dadford, Buckingham.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Mansfield District.—District Cup Contest, Selston (6), May 22nd. Draw 3 p.m. sharp. Tea and meeting 4.45 p.m. Tower open for evening ringing. Names for tea, by May 19th, to Mr. A. L. Rawson, 14, Lindley Street, Selston.—D. J. Beach, Dis. Sec. 6852

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION—Practice meeting, Coltishall (6), Saturday, May 29th, 6.30 p.m. to 9 p.m.—C. Bird, Hon. Sec.

Western Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Bircham on Saturday, May 29th. Bells (5) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5, followed by the business meeting. Names for tea to C. Tovell, 18, New Road, Gaywood, King's Lynn, by Thursday 6855 NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. Summer Festival now on Saturday, June 5th. D. P. Elsmore, Farnham, Dis. Sec.

#### NEIGHBOURLY ACT

The quarter peal at Grafton Underwood. The quarter peal at Gratton Underwood.

Northants, Doubles in four methods, on May 2nd, marks the first stage of rebuilding the band at Great Addington. Thanks are expressed to Canon G. F. Turner for allowing the use of the bells for teaching while Great Addington bells are temporarily out of use.

### ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF MINOR METHODS

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GAINSBOROUGH SURPRISE See Lincoln Surprise (II).

GAMSTON DELIGHT x 36 x 16 x 12 x 36.14 x 34.1 4ths 54263.

GAMSTON SPECIAL ALLIANCE x 14 x 12 x 36 x 14 x 1. 2nds 35264. C.C. Collection, 1961.

GARNET'S VICTORY

x 34 x 16 x 12 x 16 x 12 x 16 x 12 x 16
x 12 x 16 x 36 x. 4ths 62345.

Asymmetrical in A. Nash's notebook.

**GEDNEY SPECIAL ALLIANCE**34.16 x 12 x 16 x 12 x 5. 6ths 56342.
C.C. Collection, 1961.

GERANIUM TREBLE BOB See Snowdon Treble Bob.

GLADSTONE DELIGHT A false method found in William Woodcock's notebook.

**GLADSTONE TREBLE BOB** x 36 x 16 x 12 x 16 x 34 x 5. 2nds 54632.

GLANTAWE BOB MINOR

34.16 x 16 x 5. 6ths 65243.

Rung on handbells March 13th, 1965.

GLASTONBURY DELIGHT

34 x 36.14 x 12 x 16.34 x 14.5. 2nds 35264.

C.C. Collection, 1931.

Also called Cuckney.

**GLOSSOP SURPRISE** x 36 x 14 x 12 x 36.12 x 12.3. 4ths 46325.

GLOUCESTER DELIGHT <sup>36</sup> x 34.16 x 12 x 36.14 x 34.1. 2nds 36245. Gloucester Bob in Annable's notebook.

**GOLDTHORPE SURPRISE** x 36 x 14 x 12 x 36.12 x 14.3. 2nds 42563.

GORDON'S DELIGHT
In William Woodcock's notebook.
See, however, Rochester Surprise.

GOSBERTON SPECIAL ALLIANCE
34.16 x 12 x 16 x 12 x 1, 6ths 42635.
C.C. Collection, 1961. This method and
Sibsey Special Alliance had their names
transposed in the 1961 Collection.

**GOWER COLLEGE BOB** 34.16 x 123 x 3. 2nds 36245.
Single change method.
Rung on handbells August 25th, 1964.

**GRANTHAM SURPRISE** 34 x 36.14 x 12 x 36 x 34 x 5. 2nds 42563.

GRANDSIRE BOB (MINOR)
See Plain Bob Minor.

GRANDSIRE COURT x 14 x 16 x 5. 6ths 46532.

In later editions of "Campanologia," 1702, also in Annable's notebook.

Recently rung as Wenlock Court Bob.

GRANDSIRE DOUBLE See Double Plain Bob.

GRANDSIRE DOUBLE BOB

x 16 x 36 x 5. 6ths 34625.

And not. as might be reasonably expected, the modern Double Bob. Was Lancashire Delight in some publications (and Annable's notebook), Dewsbury Single in Thackrah, and Reverse Oxford in Shioway's book.

Recently rung as Uston College Bob. Recently rung as liston College Bob.

GRANDSIRE MINOR See Grandsire Six-in.

GRANDSIRE REVERSED BOB See Reverse Bob.
N.B.—Not the same as Reversed Grandsire.

GRANDSIRE SIX-IN 36.16 x 16 x 16 x 16 x 16 x. 6ths 25364 i.e., the accepted Grandsire method. First appeared (as Grandsire Six-ia) in "Clavis," 1788. Now usually called Grandsire Minor.

GRANDSIRE TREBLE BOB See Duke of Norfolk.

GROVE DELIGHT
See Charlwood Delight.

GUNBY SPECIAL ALLIANCE
34.16 x 12 x 16 x 34 x 5. 6ths 56342.
C.C. Collection, 1961.
(To be continued)

#### SINGLES IN SURPRISE MAJOR

By JOHN SEGAR

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THE Central Council has a ruling on the use of singles in Treble Bob methods. It is: "Singles may be used only when a desired result cannot be obtained by bobs." They have been used recently to improve the music of London Surprise and I forecast an increasing use for another reason. To explain what happens at a single, the terms lead-head and lead-end will have to be used. The row of rounds is the head of the first lead and is a plus row. London Surprise Major has 14628375 for its first lead-end and this is a minus row.

A

B

C

A B 12345678 12847653 14628375 14623857 heads 12846735 ends

ends 14628375 14623857
A single causes a sidestep from the end of A to the end of B. The lead B is then rung backwards as far as 12847653. A single here causes another sidestep, this time from head to head of C. From this point the changes come up normally, that is, forward until there is another single. It is necessary to know something about lead B. It is the fifth lead of course 3654728.

Similar treatment of all the leads in the plain course provides the seven scales for all methods with a lead scale of 4263857 and seconds place.

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From P.C. 1 to 5 of 365472

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London Surprise Major has 28 false course heads. Seven of them are exactly the same as the singles above. If I may be permitted an absurd statement, the position becomes clear. If a peal has many true and false courses the singles will be just right to connect the true to the false. More sensibly, every single brings up a false course. They can be used only if they bring up a true lead of a false course. Some methods do not suffer from this disadvantage and it is possible to use singles to compose or extend record lengths. Commencing to look into this recently I have added over a thousand changes to one of my own record lengths by using ten singles. Another group of scales is required to return from a backward lead to a forward one as from B to C. a forward one as from B to C.

DARTMOUTH, DEVON .- At St. Clement's, Townstal, on March 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Carolyne Goss (first quarter) 1, Phyllis Kellond 2, Violet Goss 3, Rosemary Kellond (first quarter) 4, A. C. Goss (cond.) 5. For Evensong and as a compliment to Christine Dodridge and Fernley Pearson, married the previous day.

#### OXFORD TREBLE BOB

Dear Sir,—I hope this will answer some of the questions put by A. J. Salisbury about the one-part peal of Oxford Treble Bob Minor by E. C. S. Turner.

It is not possible to obtain a one-part 1,260, or any other 1,260, of Oxford Treble Bob Minor. However, a 1,272 is quite feasible.

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If a calling for an extent of a plain method containing singles, is used for a Treble Bob method of the same group, a 1,440 is produced, which, if it ends in a single, may be tripled as in the Rev. E. Bankes James' 2,160's. giving 4,320.

The one-part peal of Oxford Treble Bob Minor will still be true if rung to Kent.

A very large number of equivalent arrangements are possible (but not necessarily practicable!) for any method. The following 5.00 is suitable for group H methods, such as Barham Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise. It contains 108 bobs and comes round six times at backstroke and once at hand. six times at backstroke and once at hand.

### 5,040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

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N.B.—There must be six plain leads between adjacent bobs marked x.

I, too, would like to know what is permissible for Minor peals. Must all seven rounds occur at backstroke? For plain methods, would fourteen 360's, with a single halfway and end, be allowed?—Yours faithfully,

S. HUMPHREY.

Wollaton, Nottingham.

# 5,120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR (No. 70)

By JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM
M 4/In R W H 23456

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