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### WELCOME TO NORTH-HAM-TUNE

THE town of Northampton displays very little evidence of the rich mosaic of history that lies beneath the veneer of the 19th and 20th centuries. The busy town centre retains nothing of the mediæval huddle that once surrounded the Market Square, and whatever escaped the disastrous fire that swept this part of the town in 1675 is now only survived by the tower of All Saints' Church, incorporated into a building of Classical design. The great castle of Northampton, which in the time of King John served as a Royal Palace and was the scene of Thomas Becket's trial, no longer exists. In the name of progress, what ruins remained were destroyed to make way for the steam engine and once again changes are being made as electricity replaces steam. However, recent excavations have revealed the kitchen suite of what was once one of the largest castles in the land.

Nestled by the walls of the one time great fortress, and symbolic of the permanence of things spiritual amidst the decay and demolitions of centuries, is the Church of St. Peter—a gem of late Norman art. The Church of the Holy Sepulchre, as its name implies, is linked with the Holy Land and is one of the four remaining "round" churches in England. It was built by the Crusaders and, despite the addition of later ages, retains an impressive interior. There are many other churches in the town, but these two far outstrip the others in architectural and historical importance as well as in interest to the visitor. The Church of Saint Matthew (1891), built as a memorial to Pickering Phipps, a Northampton brewer, contains two important works of modern art worthy of a visit, namely, Henry Moore's "Madonna and Child" and Graham Sutherland's "Crucifixion."

The Guildhall, where the Council will meet on Whit Tuesday, is of Venetian Gothic design built in 1861, with additions in the same style in 1889. The facade, resembling a vast tapestry in stone, depicts Danes, Saxons, Normans, kings, queens, nobles, prelates and divines, scholars, poets, merchants and craftsmen, who have all contributed to the pattern of history and progress in Northampton.

The history of Northampton's ringing before the latter part of the 19th century is almost unknown, but there is one recorded event worthy of mention. In 1739, the

year after St. Peter's eight bells were cast by Rudhall, a band of College Youths came here and rang a peal of Bob Major, the conductor being Benjamin Annable. As St. Peter's was the first ring of eight in the town, it is almost certainly the first peal rung in Northampton. All the band were London members of the Ancient Society, with the exception of the tenor man, of whom no other record is known, and it has been assumed that he was a Northampton man. In the county and diocese there are a few records of ringing, notably at Kettering, where the first peal was rung in 1729, and at Kings Sutton in the extreme south.

The latter part of the 19th century saw the beginning of organised Associations in this area and in 1924 the Central Northamptonshire Association united with some of the smaller Associations to form the Peterborough Diocesan Guild. Other Associations joined the Guild at various times, until by 1950 the whole Diocese was covered by the Guild organisation.

The Diocese consists of the counties of Northampton and Rutland and their shape is an organiser's nightmare. Even so, the Guild's annual meeting and summer festival are always both well attended. With a predominantly youthful membership and eleven Branches, which annually, with few exceptions, record success and progress, the future of the Peterborough Guild looks assured. But a successful Guild is not formed overnight. Let us, therefore, look back to 1920, when the Council last visited Northampton, and to 1883, when the first organised Association was formed, and over this span of 80 years let us remember the names of some of those who, by their skill in organisation and practical ringing, have built up a tradition of good ringing and good fellowship and the Peterborough Diocesan Guild. Such men as A. Y. Tyler, W. Perkins, D. J. Nichols, W. Rogers, F. Wilford, Rev. E. S. Powell, G. W. Jeffs, T. Tebbutt and R. G. Black (Guild secretary for 25 years). These men really set an example, each in his own special way, which we will do well to emulate.

From 200 belfries and 1,000 ringers we say 'Thank you to those men for our foundation, and to the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers we say "Welcome to Northampton and the Diocese of Peterborough."

E. BILLINGS,  
General Secretary, P.D.G.



# NORTHAMPTON'S WELCOME TO THE CENTRAL COUNCIL

## THE RINGING MASTER



MR. J. H. BLUFF

Mr. Bluff, the Ringing Master of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild, comes from a family with a ringing tradition. He started ringing at All Saints', Stamford, in 1919 being taught by his father, the then captain of ringers, who died in 1926. His uncle followed him but had to give up in 1955, when Mr. Bluff was elected captain. Thus with his father's 37 years' service in the belfry, his uncle's 45 years and his own, a total of 128 years not out is reached. To his regret his grown-up daughter and three sons have not followed in the art.

Mr. Bluff's life has been spent in his native town, Spalding. For the past 18 years he has been a general foreman to a building firm. He served in World War II in H.M. Forces. So far he has rung 176 peals.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD Marlborough Branch

The Marlborough Branch met at St. Mary's, Collingbourne Kingston, in lovely weather on May 15th, and a good number of members were present. Visitors were welcomed from Great Cheverell, Bishops Cannings and Nailsea (Somerset) and Bristol.

Ringing was directed by the Rev. R. Keeley (Ringing Master) and he also read the lesson at the Guild service, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. G. F. Kidd). The company were the guests of the Vicar and the Collingbourne ringers to a bountiful tea in the Village Hall.

Mr. G. Newman presided at a short meeting at which Miss Wakefield and Col. Carruthers were elected ringing members, and the Rev. G. F. Kidd an honorary member. Mr. Newman thanked all who had contributed to the success of the meeting. A collection was taken in appreciation of the hospitality shown and handed to the Vicar for church purposes.

Ringing was resumed at St. Mary's and later at the sister church at Collingbourne Ducis. W. A. E.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION

Sixteen towers were represented at the Northern District meeting held at Earls Colne on May 22nd, the Vicar (the Rev. A. S. Holden) officiating at the service.

At the business meeting one honorary and three ringing members were elected. The Master's report on Sunday service ringing showed that while ringing was maintained in many towers, there were still silent towers.

The meeting closed with thanks to the Vicar and all who had helped.

Next meeting: Shalford; provisional date, September 4th. P. L. W.

## GOOD RINGING: GOOD FELLOWSHIP

*On behalf of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers, I extend a very hearty welcome to the Central Council on the occasion of their Annual Conference to be held at Northampton this Whitsuntide.*

*We greatly appreciate the work done by the Council in the development of church bell ringing, as a scientific aspect of church work, and I sincerely hope that their meeting on Whit Tuesday will meet with every success.*

*A comprehensive programme has been arranged during the week-end, when our visitors will, I hope, enjoy some good ringing, and be able to see our Diocese at its very best. It is my sincere hope that this Whitsuntide at Northampton will prove to be one of the best gatherings ever held by the Council. Once again—WELCOME.*

J. H. BLUFF,

Master, P.D.G.

## ST. LUKE'S (CHELSEA) TOUR

THIS year the Chelsea Ringing Tour extended to the counties of Warwick, Worcester, Oxford, Berks, Gloucester and Hereford. The organisation was in the capable hands of Miss V. Dupré and Mr. Aubrey Lloyd. Headquarters was the Guest House, Mickleton. Four or five towers were visited each day, and some excellent ringing included Stedman, Grandsire, Cambridge and Yorkshire Surprise, etc. The places visited were Badsey, Pershore, Upton-on-Severn, Ledbury, Kingham, Ship-ton-under-Wychwood, Great Tew, Hook Norton, Moreton-in-Marsh, Stow-on-the-Wold, Bourton-on-the-Water, Northleach, Evesham, Burford, Witney, Appleton, Bampton, Chipping Campden, Banbury, Deddington, Chipping Norton, Stratford-upon-Avon, Bidford, Salford Priors, Noron, Bretforton and Mickleton. During the week the party was joined by Walter Judge and Geoffrey Hemming. A very enjoyable week was the experience of all who took part, and thanks are extended to those who gave permission to ring and to the two capable organisers. JAFUS.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

Some 50 members and friends attended the Southern Branch meeting held at Bunwell on May 15th.

The Rev. S. Collins conducted the service, the lesson being read by Mr. Nolan Golden (president). Tea was provided by the local ringers and was followed by the business meeting, presided over by Dr. P. Jonason (Branch chairman).

Votes of thanks were accorded the Rector organist and ladies who helped with tea. A collection for the Belfry Repair Fund amounted to £3 3s. 6d.

Next meeting on July 24th at Scole, where a new ring of six was recently dedicated.

C. F. W. P.

## THE ORGANISER



MR. ERIC BILLINGS

Responsible for many of the arrangements for the Central Council's visit to Northampton is Mr. Eric Billings, general secretary and treasurer of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild, who took over the office in December 1961, upon the death of Mr. G. W. Jeffs.

Educated at Northampton Grammar School and now Assistant Work Study Officer with Phipps Brewery, Ltd., Northampton, Eric started ringing in November, 1956, at the age of 18. His home tower is St. Edmund's (8), Northampton, of which he is now captain. Within six months of learning to handle a bell he had rung his first peal from an inside bell. Of his 39 peals to date, seven different Surprise Major methods appear in the list.

Two years (1957-59) were spent in National Service at Aldershot, where he visited many towers in the area. Back in Northampton Eric started his apprenticeship in ringing organisation in 1959 as secretary to the Northampton Branch. His efficiency and enthusiasm impressed the Guild and he was elected to higher office with the passing of Mr. Jeffs. As is only proper, as a Guild secretary he is one of the four representatives of the 1,000-strong Peterborough Guild on the Central Council.

## THE ONLY PEAL AT CHUTE FOREST

The success of Geoff Dodd in making the six bells at Chute Forest, Wilts. ringable has already been told. Now A. P. C. sends us the story of the first peal. He writes:

A first-class band was detailed to attempt the first peal on May 9th, and Chris Kippin was so determined to take part and ring the worst bell in the tower that he walked the six miles from Andover in 1½ hours! Before starting, a short touch was rung for our "reserves," Mrs. Gillian Leale and a ringer from Rodbourne Cheney, also Mr. Purnell, of Holt, who has now completed every ringable tower in Wiltshire.

A good brisk pace was maintained and although we had decided at first to ring all Plain Bob, the "go" of the bells was found to be so reasonable after the first 720 that we rang four methods. Apart from the excessive noise (Robin said he could not hear the bells when a call was made!) and no stay on the third, there was nothing unduly difficult and a really good peal was scored.

Our thanks are due to Geoff Dodd for yet another example of his indefatigable energy in opening other "unringable" bells: considering their long silence, it was all rather amazing. Maybe the long rest did the bearings some good!



# TO-MORROW'S DEDICATION: THE BELLS OF DAVENTRY

THE Cluniac Priory Church of Our Lady of Charity and St. Augustine was established at Daventry by Hugh de Leycestre in 1090 on land given by Simon de Senlis, Earl of Northampton.

We have no means of discovering what bells hung in the Norman tower of the Priory Church, but we do know that they were the cause of a dispute between the Priory and the parishioners in 1390, for it is recorded that the Prior and the Convent complained that the parishioners rang the bells so often, so early and in such a manner that they were unable to sleep, and less inclined to sing the Daily Offices, having risen at midnight to sing Matins. The parishioners, on the other hand, complained that the Prior and Convent "made chase and rebase through the churchyard with their carts and carriages during the time of Divine Service." The case was heard at Kenilworth Castle by John of Gaunt, who directed that one bell only was to be rung before the Mass, and that the Prior and Convent were to have a way through the churchyard, but that there were to be two locks to the gate, the key of one to be held by the parishioners.

At the Dissolution of the Monasteries, the Priory and its lands, together with 19 other religious houses, were appropriated to the use of Cardinal Wolsey for the establishment and endowment of what eventually became the College of Christ Church, Oxford. The church was partly dismantled and appears to have been left in a ruinous state for several years, though some at least of the conventual buildings were to survive until the early years of the last century.

In 1552 the new Gothic Church of the Holy Cross possessed "ij belle in the steeple and a sanct' bell."

The Bridges Manuscripts in the Bodleian Library, compiled in 1700, record the inscriptions on the five bells which hung in the tower at that date:

Treble: Nicholas Salter, Baylife 1596.

2nd: + Ambrose.

3rd: Be yt knowne to all that doth see that Newcombe of Leicester made mee. 1612.

4th: IHS Nazarenus Rex Judeoram filii Dei miserere mei, 1619.

Tenor: Nichols Salter Baylife of Dantre, the 4th of June, 1596.

The total weight of the bells was 54 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb.

In 1738 these bells, together with three others purchased from the nearby former Abbey of Catesby, were recast by Thomas Eayre of Kettering into a ring of eight with a tenor of 16½ cwt. The list of subscribers to this restoration, and another connected with the installation of a new chiming machine, is still preserved in the church register.

## THE THIRD CHURCH

In 1752, it was decided to demolish the church and to replace it with another of Classical design. The bells were transferred to the new tower in 1754, and this ring of bells, with the exception of the 6th, which was recast by Joseph Eayre of St. Neots in 1764, survived intact until 1907, when the tenor cracked and had to be recast. The same fate befell the 7th in 1915, although this happened in a rather spectacular manner. The bell was being raised in the usual way for ringing, when it broke into two parts.

In 1938 the old wooden frame was strengthened and the whole ring rehung on ball bearings. The 3rd became cracked in



DAVENTRY PARISH CHURCH

1951 and was recast. All the work undertaken in the past 60 years was by the Taylor Foundry, and the present work has also been entrusted to them.

An inspection carried out in September, 1962, revealed that a fair amount of movement of the massive supporting beams was taking place and a new frame was advised. This proved entirely justified when the beams were removed, as the ends which had been embedded in the tower walls were found to be rotten and infested with the death-watch beetle.

## AUGMENTATION

The opportunity was taken of installing a frame for ten bells, and it was eventually decided to order the augmentation at the same time. The old 4th was of poor tone and possibly cracked, so it was also decided to recast the bell. The ringers undertook to raise the cost of recasting the old treble and 2nd bells, so there will now be in the tower only two old bells, one each from the foundries of Thomas Eayre and Joseph Eayre, both of which have been tuned in recent times.

Work commenced on the installation of the bells on April 26th, and the dedication and thanksgiving service on June 5th will, it is hoped, signal the start of an era of very much greater opportunity for ten-bell ringing in the Diocese of Peterborough.

The details of the bells are appended and it will be noticed that new inscriptions have been added to the recast bells. In each case, as with that on the 2nd bell, they are taken from the New English Bible, and have been carefully chosen to reflect the feeling of optimism, ecumenically and in the family relationships of the parish. The phrase on the treble is in similar vein, although not exactly biblical, and identifies the ringers with the Parish and People Movement, of which the Rector is the diocesan representative.

## THE INSCRIPTIONS

Treble: 4 cwt. 0 qr. 15 lb. Note G. Do nothing separately that may be done together. These bells are restored and augmented to the greater glory of God, 1965. Kenneth Ward, Rector. Patrick I. Chapman, G. R. Dodson, Churchwardens. Taylor, Loughboro.

Second: 4 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb. Note F. May they all be one . . . That the world may believe. Taylor, Loughboro. 1965.

Third: 4 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lb. Note E flat. Grata sit arguta resonans campanula voce. Tho. Eayre. A.D. 1738. Taylor, Loughboro. Recast 1965. Our theme is the word of life.

Fourth: 5 cwt. 0 qr. 21 lb. Note D. Grata sit arguta resonans campanula voce. T. Eayre 1738. Taylor, Loughboro. Recast 1965.

Fifth: 6 cwt. 0 qr. 5 lb. Note C. IHS Nazarenus Rex Judeorum filii Dei miserere mei. Tho. Eayre. A.D. 1738. Taylor, Loughboro. Recast 1951. S. F. F. Powell, Rector. S. Collett, W. Hirons, Churchwardens.

Sixth: 6 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb. Note B flat. Omnia fiant ad gloriam Dei. Gloria Deo soli. Tho. Eayre. A.D. 1738. Taylor, Loughboro. Recast 1965. Rejoice, you no less than I and let us share our joy.

Seventh: 7 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. Note A flat. IHS Nazarenus Rex Judeorum filii Dei miserere mei. T. Eayre Kett. A.D. 1738.

Eighth: 10 cwt. 0 qr. 5 lb. Note G. Joseph Freeman, Churchwarden. Joseph Eayre, St. Neots fecit October 29, 1764.

Ninth: 14 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. Note F. Omnia fiant ad gloriam Dei. Gloria Patri Filio et Spiritui Sancto. T. Eayre 1738. Johi and Denison Taylor, Loughborough. Recast 1915.

Tenor: 18 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. Note E flat. Omnia fiant ad gloriam Dei. Tho. Eayre Kett. Charles Wildgose, Baylife. Anno Domini 1738. John Taylor and Co., Loughborough. Refusa 1908.

## PEAL RINGING

Peals were very infrequent on the bells prior to 1958, there having been only seven or eight since the first on the bells in 1919. This was almost certainly due to the excessive noise in the immediate vicinity of the church and in 1960 we called in Mr. Frederick Sharpe to advise on some form of sound control. The resulting installation, carried out by the ringers themselves, enabled a great deal more ringing to be done. Indeed, 14 peals were rung on the bells in eight months last year.

P. I. C.

## BATH & WELLS ASSOCIATION

FORTY-FIVE members and friends attended the service and meeting of the Frome Branch at Wanstraw on April 24th. The Rev. Putnam McKay, in welcoming the Branch, reminded the members that the last time the meeting was held in the parish was in 1960. He also remarked that he was leaving for a holiday at his home in the U.S.A. the following Monday but would be returning he hoped, in time for the Association's dinner.

At the meeting, with the Rev. A. G. Durston, the Branch chairman, presiding, a disappointing factor was the failure to elect any new members. A long discussion followed a proposition by Mr. Heymann to hold a Branch striking competition, which was carried by 17 votes to seven. A committee is to present details to the next meeting, at Timsbury, on July 10th.

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# Letters to the Editor

## MORE "CARRY-ONS"?

Dear Sir,—As a one-time Master U.L.S.C.R., I was interested to read of their recent experiences with bells in France. The following is taken from Trollope's "The College Youths" (page 38).

"In 1732 the College Youths visited Kent . . . they took ship and went across to France. When they landed at Calais they rang a course of Grandsire Cinques on hand-bells . . ." This ringing, we may suppose, was single-handed.—Yours faithfully,  
VERNON J. BENNING.

Tonbridge.

## HOLY WEEK RINGING

Dear Sir,—With reference to Mr. E. G. Caple's letter on page 308, Mr. Caple is quite right in saying that in Western Christendom church bells are silent from Good Friday to Easter Day. However, there is no reason why bells should not be rung between Palm Sunday and Maundy Thursday. Indeed, according to the rubrics of the Roman Missal, the bells are directed to be rung after the intonation of the "Gloria in Excelsis" at Mass on Maundy Thursday. The bells are then silent until a similar point in the Mass of the Easter Vigil. As the Mass on Maundy Thursday (one only) now is directed to be celebrated in the evening, the silence does not apply to the main part of the day.

Usually, the only semblance of ringing which is permitted is that during the Mass, when some kind of wooden clapper-board is used instead of a bell.

Where exactly the Church of England stands in the matter is difficult to say. As far as I know there is no official ruling in the matter. The Book of Common Prayer gives little direction on the observance of Holy Week, and it would seem that in the interests of propriety there should be no ringing from the evening of Maundy Thursday until, at the earliest, the first Mass of Easter.—Yours faithfully, WILLIAM G. WILSON.  
Durham.

## PEALS IN HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Dear Sir,—We join the Rev. R. C. Lucas ("The Ringing World," May 21st) in his disapproval of ringing in Holy Week and his request for ringing "as loud and as long as is humanly possible" on Easter Day, and we suggest that most ringers would agree with this.

However, an analysis of peals rung over Easter reveals the following surprising results. First there were twice as many peals rung in Holy Week as there were on Easter Day, and of those in Holy Week four were rung with apparently complete disregard of the fact. One was rung on Holy Saturday as an engagement compliment, an appalling excuse for a peal on bells dedicated to the glory of God at the best of times, let alone on such a solemn occasion. We were also astonished to see a peal rung on Holy Saturday both "to the glory of Easter" and also as an "In Memoriam"; how the two conflicting emotions can be expressed in one peal on a day fitting for neither seems impossible. We were also at a loss to know what to make of one apparently rung "open" on Good Friday, and especially as it was at the Vicar's request.

Secondly, do we assume that the 20 or so peals rung on Easter Monday, for no stated reason, were rung for the Festival? And, if so, why were they not rung on the Festival itself? There seem to have been only two peals rung on the Monday for the Festival, to which must be added the five on the actual day; thus of over 40 peals rung between Good Friday and Easter Monday inclusive, only about seven seem to have been specifically dedicated to the Festival.

It would seem a pity if the impression that we give by our ringing to the majority of people who have no connection with the Church is one of concern with trivial events rather than what should be regarded by us all as matters of supreme importance.

R. C. B. and K. I. D.

Sturry, Kent.

## ABOLITIONS

Dear Sir,—All honour to the Derby Diocesan Association (and particularly their treasurer) for deciding to augment their Bell Repair Fund from the annual subscription. I hope their example will be followed, and in a bigger way. If we really believe that ringing forms a useful part of Church work we should set a good example; for an Association of some 500 members to give no more than £10 (5d. each) towards a job which may be costing thousands simply will not do at all.

Now will some enlightened Association please lead the way by abolishing peal booking fees? This miserable idea—that some should pay more to save the rest a very small amount—runs counter to the whole idea of having an Association, and has eaten into the Exercise like a nasty canker. It is based on the idea—held by those who do not ring peals—that all we do it for is to get our names into print. This is simply not true. We are not small children. We like to see the peal columns in "The Ringing World" so we can see what other people are ringing, and keep up with developments. We continue to keep up the custom of ringing peals for Associations; at one time they seemed to take pride in them. Now one begins to wonder.

I do think we should pay something after peals, quarters and other forms of pleasure-ringing; but all we give should go to the church where such ringing is done. We give our services on Sundays, but no amount of service ringing will buy new ropes or pay for wear and tear. And I do not like to see "The Ringing World" and the Associations competing as would-be beneficiaries.—Yours sincerely,

C. W. WOOLLEY.

Bushey Heath.

P.S.—In answer to your footnote: Increase the price of "The Ringing World" to one shilling, and lose 700 readers, as you predict. The gross receipts would be up by over £1,800.—C. W. W.

## OXFORD BOB TRIPLES

Dear Sir,—Having noted inquiries re the above method in "The Ringing World," it may be of interest to some readers to know that I have many touches in the personal handwriting of the late Mr. Stephen Wood, of Bristol.

In all these he uses the 4-5 place single and he told me that a peal can be obtained in this way although I have no figures to prove this. I am almost certain a peal has recently been rung with a 6-7 place single and I will endeavour to get confirmation of this from the conductor.

To save space in our valuable "Ringing World," if anyone requiring touches or a quarter peal would send me a stamped addressed envelope I will gladly supply same.

H. A. PRICE.

Eagle House.

Yatton, Bristol.

## PEALS AT UPWELL

Dear Sir,—With reference to the peal which was rung at Upwell, Norfolk, on May 1st (page 332), the footnote reads: "First peal on the bells since 1896." This footnote is almost 28 years too late, as the records of the Ely Diocesan Association state that a peal was rung at Upwell on May 5th, 1937, consisting of seven Minor methods. The band consisted of Messrs. S. Flint, A. Bacon, W. Buckenham, W. W. Cousins, C. Cousins and F. Wigmore (conductor).

There is also a possibility that other peals have been rung here by other Associations of which I have no record. Canon Felstead will be able to enlighten us when he resumes his interesting article around the towers.—Yours faithfully,

HAROLD S. PEACOCK.

Gen. Sec., Ely Diocesan Association.  
Huntingdon.

## MANCHESTER DISTRICT YOUNG RINGERS

On Easter Monday the Manchester District Young Ringers made their annual sortie, with this year's objective as Shrewsbury and Birmingham. Due to three members of the party not turning up, the coach was some 50 minutes late leaving Ashton. Unfortunately, this meant that the other 36 of us had to forgo the first tower, which was to have been Hodnet. Nevertheless the party took a philosophical view of the situation, and pressed on undaunted to Shrewsbury, St. Mary's (10). Here Grandsire Caters was a little shaky and Cambridge Royal came to grief, but we redeemed ourselves with Kent Royal and Plain and Little Bob, then wiped the slate clean with a good course of London Royal.

After lunch a brisk walk brought us to St. Chad's (12). The general opinion of the bells was most favourable and ringing included Bob Maximus, Stedman Cinques and Grandsire Cinques, finishing with a good course of Cambridge Maximus. The 134 steps, the glass trap door and the bird's nest complete with eggs all created interest in Ludlow, but the bells proved a real handful. It was felt that several ropes could have done with being taken up at the wheel so that elbows could be straightened at hand and back, without having to hold the single rope.

The heavy eight had given us an appetite, so the ham, eggs and chips were most welcome. On now to Birmingham, St. Martin's (12). These bells really are free-wheelers, which is perhaps all to the good, for many of us were feeling the strain of the journey. Grandsire Cinques, Kent Royal and Stedman Cinques were all respectable, although Bob Maximus stood up ignominiously. The day's ringing closed with Yorkshire Maximus. The average age of the party was under 21, and many of the members had their first attempts at London Royal, Cambridge and Yorkshire Maximus and Stedman Cinques.

Our thanks go to the local ringers who met us, and to Neil Bennett, Jeff Prannan and Ronnie Edwards (this year's gimmick was a movie camera) for their hard work in making the day a success. J. A. B.

## GUILDFORD & DISTRICT GUILD

For the first time, Leatherhead District at their quarterly meeting at Leatherhead on May 8th held a striking competition; it attracted five entries. Mr. J. Schofield, of Beddington, the judge, regarded the striking as of a good standard, although hesitant, due probably to nerves. Placings: 1 Ashted 2 Leatherhead, 3 Ewell.

After tea and a short business meeting, Mr. H. Pittow was confirmed as District representative on the Guild Executive, and a combined practice was fixed for June 18th at Leatherhead at 7.45 p.m. Ringing after the meeting included a good course of Stedman Caters.

## THERE WERE OTHERS

Dear Sir—I wish to correct the footnote to a peal of Minor rung at Upwell, Norfolk, and published in "The Ringing World" on page 332, where it stated "First peal on the bells since 1896."

A peal in six Minor methods was rung there on April 28th, 1926, conducted by Tony Price, with Joseph E. Sykes ringing the tenor.

Also, on May 5th, 1937, a peal in seven Minor methods, conducted by myself.—Yours, etc.

FREDERICK C. WIGMORE.

Wisbech, Cambs.

P.S.—The peal in 1926 was thought to be the first on the bells.—F. C. W.

## A.O.B. TIME

Dear Sir,—Although I realise that most annual general meetings of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild are so apathetic that there is rarely 'Any Other Business' to discuss, perhaps in future the organisers would allow more than three minutes for this, just in case someone has something to say.—Yours, etc.

GRAHAM W. ELMES.

Wareham, Dorset.



## MEMORIES OF MR. GEORGE H. CROSS

Mr. E. A. Barnett writes:

Perhaps I may add a few lines to your account of Mr. Cross's notable ringing career. Before coming to London he had made a name for himself in and around Norwich, where he rang his first peal at the age of 15, in 1909. By the time he was 17 he had "circled the tower" at his home church of St. John-de-Sepulchre and another early exploit was a peal of Oxford Treble Bob at Saxlingham in June, 1914, by a band of average age 18½, then the youngest to accomplish an eight-bell peal. As Master of the St. Peter Mancroft Guild after the 1914-18 war he got ringing going again at that famous church and revived some of the interest in peal ringing in the county.

After moving to the London area he was one of the leading lights in a band which did much to popularise methods like Yorkshire and Pudsey, which we regard as standard to-day but in the 1920's and early 1930's were rarely rung. A skilled handbell ringer, he conducted the first peals of Stedman Cinques, among other methods, "in hand" for both the Cumberlands and the Kent County Association in about 1934, and I believe neither Society has accomplished one since. For the Cumberlands he did much valuable work as Master and as leader of the band at St. Martin-in-the-Fields. In 1939 he took part in a peal of London Major by a band of Civil Servants, which I remember very well, having interrupted a week's sick leave illicitly in order to be in it.

As you say, Mr. Cross took part in some 600 peals, his last, I think, being a handbell peal of Kent Treble Bob Major at Crayford in December, 1951. It was strange that such an accomplished ringer should have retired from peal ringing at the comparatively early age of 60.

At the funeral service at Chardstock the Vicar paid tribute to Mr. Cross's love of ringing and the help he had given the local band until illness had compelled him to give up ringing altogether. The bells were rung half-muffled after the funeral at the Vicar's request by a band from Thorncombe, Dorset, and a course of Bob Minor was rung over the grave on Mr. Cross's handbells by three old friends and fellow-Cumberlands—Thomas H. Francis 1-2, Herbert E. Audsley 3-4, and Edward J. Beer 5-6, the two last-named also representing the Kent County Association, of which he was auditor for some 20 years. On the same day a peal of Cambridge Maximus was rung at Walsall by the Cumberlands, and the band regarded it as a tribute to his memory.

Mr. Frank H. Davey, of Norwich, writes: I was grieved to hear of the passing of my lifelong friend, Mr. George H. Cross. I had known George longer than any other ringer: we were schoolboys together over 60 years ago, and choirboys at St. John de Sepulchre, Norwich, where we were taught to ring by the late George S. Mayers, when these bells were installed in 1907-8.

A couple of highlights of his ringing career as I remember them: his conducting of a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major at Saxlingham rung by the youngest Major band till then. The band included the three brothers Duffield — William, Edward and James, all proved and expert ringers, and, by the way, Jim Duffield was the youngest ringer to ring a peal of Major when he was 11 years of age, at Pulham in 1912.

George had rung and conducted over 80 peals. By the time he was 20 he had quite a few compositions to his credit. He joined the Army in 1915 and saw service in Egypt, Mesopotamia and France. On returning to civilian life he threw himself wholeheartedly into ringing at St. Peter Mancroft and, elected Master, soon had a capable twelve-bell band around him. Just a couple of years or so later he arranged a peal of Stedman Cinques at Mancroft, in which he asked me to drum the tenor, he ringing the eleventh and calling it. This was his first of Stedman Cinques as conductor (he had rung a couple before). I remember that the late Charlie Borrett rang the treble and T. H. Taffender the third, four other London ringers taking part. How pleased he was with this peal as it was well struck throughout—without a word spoken.

Another peal he was proud of was "Bristol by George" at St. George's, Bristol, conducted by George R. Pye.

And so another stalwart of our art has been called home. A staunch and valued friend, a magnificent ringer, conductor and composer of my generation, the sympathy of the Exercise goes out to Mrs. Cross and family in their sad loss.

Many years ago George showed me a record book of peals he had rung, all done in Old English style, and by his own hand. I wonder if Mrs. Cross still has this book.

So I must say farewell, George, old friend. May he rest in peace, for I am proud to have known him for over 60 years.

### MR. CHARLES A. ANDREWS

Many ringers will regret to hear of the death of Mr. Charles Andrews, of Lawford, Essex, on May 17th, aged 60.

Charlie belonged to a well-known ringing family, and at an early age was taught to handle a bell by his father at Thorington, near Colchester. In 1929 he went to live at Lawford, and with the late George Moss built up a good Minor band at Mistley, where for 25 years he was as regular a ringer as his shift-work would allow. When that band broke up he rang for a few years at Ardleigh, but in 1959 he had a heart attack which put an end to all his activities and since that time he had had to live an extremely quiet life.

A most competent ringer on any number of bells, he rang several peals of Maximus with the famous band at St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, when they were at the height of their power. He never kept a count of his peals, but he must have rung over 200. He rang one peal of Bob Major at Great Bentley in which his father, son (Donald), brother (Alan) and nephew (G. Noel Orman) also took part.

Interested in local government, he was for some years parish clerk of Lawford.

He was buried at Thorington a few yards from the tower where he first started to ring. The same evening a half-muffled quarter peal was rung at Mistley to his memory.

### PREBENDARY B. PRATT

Prebendary Brian Pratt, Rector of Peter Tavy, Devon, who died on May 11th, was at one time an active ringer, having learned to ring near Woburn. Ill-health latterly prevented him from ringing, but he remained interested and recently arranged the Tavistock Deanery Festival. Visitors were always welcome at Peter Tavy and it was on these bells that a memorial quarter peal was rung on May 17th.

## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION St. Albans District

The two new towers of the District were open on May 15th. Most of the ringers were able to cope with the back-handed six at St. Paul's, Walden, and methods up to Double Oxford and Cambridge were rung. Evening ringing was at King's Walden.

The District was welcomed by the Vicar (the Rev. R. Mitchell) during the service; he also joined us for an excellent tea at the St. Albans Arms.

At the business meeting Mrs. Amy Coburn took the place of Mr. R. D. Brown as secretary, as he was away. Mr. John Cull took the chair. Mrs. Pam Schofield, of St. Peter's, St. Albans, was elected a full member, and Mrs. M. Harding, Mrs. M. Howell and Mrs. L. Cull, of Kimpton, probationary members.

A report of the Western District ringing course was given and a similar course is to be run by the St. Albans District, the suggested date being November 20th.

Under any other business, the local tower captain, Mr. Denison, thanked the District for coming, reminding us that their practice night is Wednesday, except each Wednesday preceding the third Sunday. The meeting was closed after the usual votes of thanks.

J. A. F.

## EAST DERBYSHIRE AND WEST NOTTS ASSOCIATION

Some 25 members and friends attended the monthly meeting at Blackwell on May 15th. Ringing commenced at 3 p.m., and an excellent tea was provided in the Church Hall, but it was somewhat disappointing that only 14 were present for tea.

At a short business meeting, Mr. A. Smithson presiding, Mr. D. W. Bailey and Miss Doreen Land, from Ripley, were elected new members. Thanks to the ladies for providing the tea was proposed by Mr. T. H. Radford.

Ringing continued until 8.45 p.m. under the supervision of Mr. A. Harrison (Ringing Master) and included Cambridge and Norwich Surprise.

Next meeting: Joint with Chesterfield District at North Wingfield June 12th.

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# Ernest Morris Window Dedicated

A WINDOW likely to rival the ringers' window in York Minster was dedicated in the Prebendal Church of St. Margaret, Leicester, on May 23rd, to Ernest Morris, one of the foremost ringers of this age, being the first to ring 2,000 peals and a writer whose books on bells and the art have an international prestige.

The work of Mr. H. W. Harvey, of York, an artist with a high reputation in stained glass, it is rich in colouring and the five ringers depicted all have character. A grey-haired ringer of the build of Ernest has his back to the viewer. Resolutely he grasps the tenor rope. Another is seen in the process of lowering his bell, and there is also a girl ringer poised with an air of expectancy, probably introduced as a feature of Ernest's ringing career—his love of shepherding people through their first peal.

The caption reads:

"This window was installed by the congregation and by ringers throughout the world to the memory of Ernest Morris, F.R.Hist.S., F.R.G.S., M.R.S.L., ringer and ringing master of this church and author of 'The History and Art of Change Ringing' and other works, who died 28th April, 1962, aged 72 years."

At the top of the two lights is a scroll "How amiable are thy dwellings, O Lord of Hosts." Below is a peep into the bell chamber, showing bells, and below the five ringers the artist symbolises some of Ernest's other interests—St. Margaret's Church, fonts, historic door knockers and horse brasses. With these is a bell inscribed "In memory of Ernest Morris, ringer, campanologist and historian." We hope in a later issue to publish a photograph of this outstanding window.

## QUARTER PEAL LOST

There was a large congregation present composed almost entirely of friends. With his widow and daughter, Margaret, were his brother, G. Stedman Morris, of Lyme Regis, and Mrs. G. S. Morris and his sister, Mrs. Mabel Black. Previous to the service the bells were being rung to Grandsire Caters. Unfortunately, after 25 minutes, the rope of the seventh broke, thus preventing the quarter from being rung. The band consisted of G. H. Bray (St. Margaret's) 1, P. J. Staniforth (St. Martin's, conductor) 2, Tom Bent (St. Margaret's) 3, S. Harrison (St. John the Divine) 4, J. E. Adams (St. Margaret's) 5, W. Tenser (St. Margaret's) 6, R. H. Cook (Asfordby) 7, J. Bramley (St. Margaret's) 8, G. S. Morris (Lyme Regis) 9, R. Kingslev Mason (St. John the Divine) 10.

The service was conducted by the Vicar (Canon E. N. Ducker), who also read one of the lessons, the other being read by the Rev. Peter Etchells, a former curate. The choir sang the anthem "Behold how good and joyful a thing it is" (S. S. Wesley). The dedication was by a former curate and personal friend, Canon F. W. Pratt, Canon-Treasurer of Leicester Cathedral and Master of Wyggeston Hospital.

In his address, Canon Pratt spoke of the privilege it was to him to be with them at the dedication of that window to Ernest Morris. "He was one I shall always think of as you who knew him do, as a devout and thoroughly honest servant of God, who regarded his service here at St. Margaret's as a great blessing, and he cherished it. There were many difficult things he had to get over in his service here but his faith never wavered and he loved this church right on to the very end."

## CHAIN OF REMEMBRANCE

So it is right that all those who have an interest in the things we have been doing today, especially the ringers, should come together as a great family bound by the chain of remembrance to one who is no longer with us in the flesh but whose glory, I am sure, will be revealed to us, for we must hold fast



in these very materialistic days to the ancient faith of our fathers—the resurrection of the dead and the life eternal."

In showing their faith they thought of Ernest and of the church bells calling Christian people to worship although many would not answer. The bells as they rang out called from another world; they were the heralds of the angels. They were a challenge to an unbelieving age to put its faith in things unseen of the Spirit that come from the fountain of God's loveliness. "We thank God for Ernest and those his companions in his earthly years for his skill and sense of mission. May we follow in his train."

After the service, tea was served in the Vestry Hall by Mrs. Staniforth and her helpers. The appeal as far as the ringers were concerned was organised by Mr. G. Oliffe, Ringing Master of St. Margaret's. About £100 is still required to meet the cost of the window.

The congregation present included Mr. B. Stedman Payne, the new president of the Leicester Guild, and Mr. A. H. Beamish, president of the Coventry Guild, also Mr. W. Cecil Dunford, the illustrator of many of Ernest's books.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

### Newark District

The day of the Newark District meeting and cup contest was fine and warm, as it happened the last day of the mid-May heat wave. Elston was the tower chosen, and although it was hoped that five teams would enter for the contest, unfortunately there were in the end only the same three as last year. However, in summing up, the judges, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bradley, both felt that the standard of ringing had improved and certainly the number of faults was much less. Sutton "A" team were the winners, with 58 faults, closely followed by Newark with 65½. The younger members of Sutton tower, forming "B" team, made a very commendable effort with 94½ faults.

Three new ringing members were elected at the business meeting—Nicola Renyard (Elston), Sylvia Bremner (Barnby) and Hugh Pierce (Southwell Minster). The new Rector, Canon Evans, was elected a vice-president, and he conducted Evensong and also joined the company of over 40 for tea in the Village Hall.

B. N. R.

## GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

Between 50 and 60 ringers, coming from as far as Westleigh in North Devon and Stratton in North Cornwall, defied the heavy mist to attend the S.W. Branch meeting at Walkhampton on May 8th. Touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, Kent and Cambridge were rung with Mr. R. Bould acting as Ringing Master for the first time. Mr. H. H. Thomas presided at the business meeting and, acting on the appeal of Mr. and Mrs. Bray, of Whitchurch, it was decided to hold the first Branch practice at Shaugh on June 12th with a concentration on Plain Bob and Cambridge.

The Vicar (the Rev. B. K. Braund) conducted the service, and Mr. J. L. Blagg, of Emmanuel, Plymouth, acted as organist. An excellent tea was provided by Mrs. Oldham. Mrs. McCloud and other members of the Ladies' Guild. Further ringing took place in the evening at Meavy.

Next meeting: Kingsbridge, September 25th.

## DEVON RINGERS' EXE VALLEY TOUR

Organised by Mr. A. L. Bennett, members of the Devon Guild of Ringers held a day tour in the Exe Valley on May 22nd when, despite adverse weather conditions, a most enjoyable time was spent. Those accompanying him were Mr. D. J. Roberts and children, Messrs. P. A. Lock and friend, G. J. Roberts and H. A. Vaffry (Torquay). Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Harvey and family (Topsham), Misses S. A. Dowell (Teignmouth) and Y. C. Porter (Plymouth), Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Bould (Tavistock), Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Myers and family Messrs. T. G. Myers and D. F. Wheeler (Plymouth), whilst Mrs. E. S. Powell and two friends from Wellington, Somerset, joined the members in the afternoon. Towers visited were Thorverton (the only octave), Cadbury, Bickleigh, Cadeleigh, Calverleigh, Washfield, Halberton and Sampford Peverell, the last-named being about the best of the day, the ringing concluding with a well struck course of Cambridge Surprise Minor.

The clergy are thanked for the use of their bells and Mr. Bennett for making the arrangements. A. L. B.

## TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD

The spring festival of the Truro Branch was held at Gwennap on Saturday, May 15th, some 50 ringers being present.

The Branch president (the Rev. J. R. Jose) presided at the business meeting, and Miss Barbara J. Duck of 1, Benson Road, Hendra, Truro, was elected the new secretary.

Autumn festival at St. Mawgan-in-Pydar, September 18th, and next method ringing practice at Crantock, July 10th.

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x 36 x 14 x 12 x 36.14 x 12.5. 6ths 35264.  
No name C.C. Collection, 1907.

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36 x 36.14 x 12 x 36.12 x 14.3. 4ths 46325.

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x 34 x 14 x 12 x 16 x 12 x 3. 4ths 54263.  
Rung and named at Cawthorne.

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36.14 x 12 x 16 x 34 x 3. 2nds 56342  
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34 x 34.16 x 12 x 123 x 12 x 3. 6ths 64523.  
Single change method.

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34.16 x 12 x 16 x 14 x 1. 6ths 64523.  
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x 16 x 36 x 34 x 1. 6ths 56342.  
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## HOLMFIRTH DELIGHT

x 56 x 16 x 56 x 16 x 34 x 1. 4ths 64235.  
In C. D. Potter's notebook.

## HOLMFIRTH TREBLE BOB

x 56 x 16 x 12 x 16 x 12 x 1. 6ths 42635.  
C. D. Potter's notebook.

## HOLYWELL SPECIAL ALLIANCE

36.14 x 12 x 16 x 14 x 5. 2nds 35264.  
C.C. Collection, 1961.

## HORBURY DELIGHT (I)

x 36 x 16 x 16 x 1456 x 16 x 36 x 16 x  
1456 x 16 x 36 x. 2nds 35264.  
Thackrah's rearrangement of **Evening**  
**Delight** from "Campanologia," 1702 in  
order to remove falseness. (Thackrah came  
from Dewsbury, which is quite close to  
Horbury.)

## HORBURY DELIGHT (II)

See **Royal Bob**.

## HORBURY DELIGHT (III)

Identical with **Cambridge Surprise**.  
There seems no way of establishing which  
of these three was the method rung at  
Horbury during the last century, although  
(III) was the one in Herbert Rowley's  
notebook.

## HORBURY EXERCISE

x 36 x 14 x 56 x 36 x 14 x 3. 6ths 65243.  
W. Walker, 1883. "Bell News."

## HORBURY NEW PLEASURE

x 36 x 14 x 56 x 16 x 12 x 3. 6ths 35264.  
W. Walker, 1883. "Bell News."

## HORBURY TREBLE BOB

Identical with **Burton Treble Bob**.  
In H. Rowley's notebook.

## HORNBY DOUBLE

x 16 x 16 x 16 x 36 x 14 x. 2nds 56342.  
Asymmetrical. In Annable's notebook.

## HORNMEAD DOUBLE

x 16 x 36 x 56 x 36 x 14 x. 4ths 54263  
Asymmetrical. In Annable's notebook.

## HORSMONDEN BOB

34.16 x 16 x 3. 2nds 42635.  
No name in C.C. Collection, 1901.

## HORTON (DOUBLE) SURPRISE

x 56 x 14.56 x 12.36 x 12 x 1. 6ths 56342.  
C.C. Collection, 1931.

## HOUGHTON DELIGHT

x 34 x 16 x 12 x 36.12 x 14.3. 2nds 65324.

## HOWARD DELIGHT

See **Carisbrooke Delight**.

## HOYLANDSWAINE DELIGHT

x 36 x 14 x 12 x 16.34 x 34.5. 6ths 34625.

## HUDDERSFIELD SURPRISE

See **College Youths Pleasure**.

## HULL DELIGHT

See **Humber Delight**.

## HULL SURPRISE

x 36 x 14 x 12 x 36 x 34 x 3. 6ths 56342.  
No name C.C. Collection, 1907.

## HUMBER DELIGHT

x 34 x 14 x 12 x 16.34 x 14.3. 6ths 56342.  
No name C.C. Collection, 1907.

## HYACINTH TREBLE BOB

See **Mendip Treble Bob**.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP

The steel bells at Randwick, New South  
Wales, are now ringing again, according to a  
correspondent.

**Correction.**—The ringer of the fifth in the  
peal at Neath on May 10th was Gwyn I.  
Lewis and not as printed on page 366.

Groton schoolboy ringers are visiting Eng-  
land in July. They will make their head-  
quarters at Leicester during the first week of  
that month, the visit coinciding with the  
Leicester holidays.

Organised by "Jenny," a party of London,  
Surrey and Kent ringers spent a week-end  
recently in Suffolk with headquarters at Bury  
St. Edmunds. Who they were we know not  
except that Dave and Nick drove them round,  
and according to the report of R. J. T. the  
week-end was most enjoyable.

A peal attempt in seven Surprise Minor  
methods was arranged at Buxhall, Suffolk, on  
May 24th as a 21st birthday compliment to  
Janet I. Rogers. Unfortunately, due to a  
fraying rope, this was brought round after  
the second extent. This left time for another  
good quarter at nearby Great Finborough.

The East Retford band were disappointed on  
the evening of May 22nd. After the morning  
ringing the door at the foot of the belfry  
stairs had been slammed. The jolt caused the  
catch on the Yale lock to slip and it could not  
be unfastened from outside. After some delay  
a ladder was obtained and an entrance effected  
from above, but too late to start for the  
quarter originally planned.

## COGENHOE DELIGHT MINOR

x 36 x 16 x 12 x 1236 x 14 x 36.  
1.h. 12. 42635



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### A LOSS TO FINCHLEY

Owing to a reshuffling of Government departments, Mr. Bernard J. Willis, who for the past 15 or 16 years has been captain of St. Mary's, Finchley, and associated with the church as choirboy and ringer for 35 years, is going North. On the occasion of the tower's annual outing on May 15th in the Eastern Counties a unique presentation was made to him in a café at Woodbridge in the form of a "peal board" some 18 inches square and a pint silver tankard subscribed for by his many ringing friends. The peal board reads:

ON SATURDAY, MAY 15th, 1965  
AN EXTRAORDINARY PEAL OF  
FINCHLEY GOODWILL

As an appreciation of long and valued service by Bernard J. Willis, many years captain of the Finchley Band.

M. Cruickshank	1	W. Blake	11
J. Campbell	2	R. Newman	12
J. Beeston	3	M. Carter	13
P. Taylor	4	A. Butler	14
D. Robotham	5	C. Ward	15
W. Harwin	6	G. Parson	16
S. Wallis	7	B. Watson	17
T. Bevan	8	A. Warren	18
A. Richardson	9	F. Barker	19
E. Richardson	10	L. Tubb	20

Conducted by Bernard J. Willis. Tenor 1 pint.

We wish Bernard and his family good luck in their new home, and take great pleasure in giving him this board with this one-pint tenor which everyone has truly chimed today, hoping he will keep it displayed hereunder as a constant reminder of old friends and many happy times together.

Rev. R. W. Matthews, Rector.

Churchwardens:

Messrs. O. Lambeth and K. Campbell.

All those named on the board "chimed" the one-pint tenor by taking from it a sip of champagne.

Bernard, when he left the choir for the ringing room, made rapid progress. It was not long before he was calling touches, and in the space of a few years conducting peals, one of his first being Parker's 12-part of Grand-sire Triples. When Mr. Fred Barker resigned the captaincy of Finchley Bernard was appointed his successor. Fred is now 80 years old but still rings regularly.

During the last war Bernard served in the Fleet Air Arm. Upon his return at the end of hostilities he set to work with others to reform the Finchley band and it was soon ringing regularly on Sundays and holding well-attended practices. A man full of patience, he did excellent work with learners and he will be greatly missed by his ringing pals, who wish him a long and happy life in his new home.

### ST. ANDREW'S UNIVERSITY RINGERS' GUILD

At the A.G.M. of the St. Andrew's University Bell Ringers' Guild, held on May 4th, the following were elected officers for the session 1965-66: Ringing Master, David Roberts; secretary, David Martin; treasurer, Paul Scott. D.M.

### GIFT OF HANDBELLS TO CHURCH

Under the will of Mr. Francis V. Nash, of Chevél Street, Nuneaton, a ring of 12 handbells (tenor 22 in E flat) has been presented to All Saints' Church, Chilvers Coton, Nuneaton, with a request that they be rung at least once a year during a service. (They had been renovated by Messrs. Taylor and Co. before the presentation.) Sunday, May 16th, was Bellringers' Sunday and the magnificent set was rung for the first time during Evening before a large congregation, including several members of the Nash family. Tunes on a lighter set of 24 handbells were also rung during the service, ringers taking part being: Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Beamish, Mrs. V. Dodds, the Misses C. and M. Mason, M. Corcoran and W. J. Day.

As a cadet nurse in Nuneaton's Manor Hospital during the later months of 1964, Miss Christine Mason had discussed the bells and bellringing with Mr. Nash, then a patient, and he had confided to her that he would bequeath his bells to the church. Christine is now a student nurse at the Royal South Hants Hospital, Southampton, but was home on sick leave in time to join in the ringing of the bells. D. E. B.

### GREETINGS FROM THE BALKANS

Through Mr. Aubrey L. Bennett, Mr. Arthur Pearson, of Wombourne, who is in the Balkans, sends his greetings. He writes: "Please, when writing to 'The Ringing World,' give its readers my regards and mention my continued interest in the ringing activities in U.K. It is not possible I write direct as my letter to a newspaper would not get through."

### SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Seventy-five years ago this Whit Saturday a band of ringers from St. Luke's, Heywood Lanes, had an outing to Llangollen, leaving Heywood at 4 a.m. and reaching Llangollen three hours later. On the bells of St. Collen's Church a peal of Grandsire Triples (Holt's six-part) was rung in 2 hours 57 minutes by the following band: A. Rhys James (aged 13, son of the Vicar of Llangollen) 1, John Shepherd (conductor) 2, J. B. Taylor 3, W. R. Barrett 4, John Millett 5, W. H. Walmsley 6, John Harrison 7, James Millett 8. The tenor ringer was the great-grandfather of Mr. J. P. Partington who sends us an extract from the parish magazine of that date, which gave a full report of the proceedings.

### COUPLES LIKE A MINOR FIVE FOR WEDDINGS

Weston Favell bells are popular for weddings though not popular with many ringers as they are a minor five, nor to some residents owing to the closeness of the tower. Of recent weddings there have been twin brothers marrying twin sisters, and two bellringing brothers (David John and Andrew Frederick Benfield from Kingsthorpe) marrying two Weston Favell sisters (Linda Mary and Dorothy Carole Wright).

### INQUIRY CORNER

A contributor wishes to know if Carter's Principle has been extended to Triples and rung to a peal. If so, were ordinary Stedman calls used at the beginning and end of the full sixes?

### AT GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL

There was a big concourse of ringers at Guildford Cathedral for the open day on Saturday, May 22nd. No fewer than 135 signed the visitors' book and there were many who did not. The bells met with general approval but to those accustomed to small belfries the spaciousness was rather overpowering. One prominent ringer took the view that more peals would be lost in the tower than gained. The fears that the tenor would be beyond the capacity of many were groundless. It was a very easy bell to ring.

Among the ringers the youngest was 11-year-old Stephen Munday, the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Munday, now of Pudsey. Stephen is a member of the Yorkshire Association and rings with his father at Bradford Cathedral. Mr. Munday was formerly captain of Holy Trinity, Guildford, and his brother is hon. secretary of the Guildford Guild. Only a few months older, but now past her 12th birthday, was Frances Dodds, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Dodds, of St. Albans. Both Stephen and Frances demonstrated their ability by ringing "inside" to Caters.

When Holy Trinity, Guildford, ringers arrived on Sunday morning for service ringing a disappointment awaited them as one of the stays was already broken. Also there was a ringer absent, reducing the ringing to eight bells. A visitor to the belfry was Brigadier Derek Schreiber, hon. treasurer of the Cathedral Council and the donor of the two tenors. After he had left, Mr. Colin A. Hopper remembered him when he was a lieutenant in his company of the Coldstream Guards before World War II.

### AN AFTERNOON AT BUCKFAST ABBEY

Organised by Mr. A. L. Bennett, a party of Devon Guild members enjoyed an afternoon's ringing on May 15th at Buckfast Abbey, where they were joined by two of the Community. Ringing on the middle octave, consisting of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob Major and Cambridge Minor, was followed by a short organ recital on the splendid Abbey organ by Rev. Father Sebastian Wolff, the regular organist.

After the tea interval evening ringing was at Dean Prior Parish Church, where Mr. T. G. Myers conducted an extent of Plain Bob Minor.

### GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

The necessity of bringing the Guild's boundaries up to date was urged by Mr. N. Mallett at the meeting of the Exeter Branch at Alphington on May 15th. The meeting gave him full support. Whiststone were congratulated on their membership.

### SALISBURY GUILD A.G.M.

Mr. E. Mould, of Otford, Sevenoaks, calls attention to a Mr. E. Mould being referred to in the report of the A.G.M. of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild as having passed away. This should be his father, Mr. A. E. Mould, who died recently. Congratulating Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd on his front page letter, Mr. Mould writes: "As long as such excellent articles are forthcoming, I feel sure 'The Ringing World' will continue to flourish."



## TOWER BELL PEALS

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

READING, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Laurence.

On Sat., May 15, 1965, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 23 cwt.

William Hibbert .. .. Treble	John Chilcott .. .. 7
Walter F. Judge .. .. 2	William T. Cook .. .. 8
Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 3	Frank White .. .. 9
Michael V. Chilcott .. .. 4	Dennis Randall .. .. 10
Frederick H. Wilkins .. .. 5	John H. Crampson .. .. 11
David E. Parsons .. .. 6	Vincent T. Cherill .. .. Tenor

Composed by David E. Parsons.

Conducted by John Chilcott.

Rung by friends to celebrate Mr. Hibbert's 50th year of bell-ringing.

HOOK NORTON, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., May 15, 1965, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Tenor 20 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb.

William J. Chester .. .. Treble	Charles E. Truman .. .. 5
Raymond A. Vickers .. .. 2	Christopher C. Clarke .. .. 6
William A. Yates .. .. 3	George W. Holland .. .. 7
Barry E. Saunders .. .. 4	Ernest G. Jones .. .. Tenor

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood.

Conducted by George W. Holland.

## THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.

BRIDGWATER, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., May 22, 1965, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5184 BRAUNSTONE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in D.

Brian J. Wilde .. .. Treble	Frank D. Mack .. .. 5
Maria E. Kirby .. .. 2	Patrick J. Bird .. .. 6
Derek B. Williams .. .. 3	Nicholas W. H. Simon .. .. 7
*Michael G. R. Zobel .. .. 4	Peter T. Hurcombe .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. Poyner.

Conducted by Peter T. Hurcombe.

\* First peal of Major. First peal in the method by all the band (except ringer of treble), on the bells and for the Society.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MARPLE, Cheshire.—At All Saints' Bell Tower.

On Sat., May 15, 1965, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb.

Robert J. Warrilow .. .. Treble	C. Kenneth Lewis .. .. 5
Derek F. Yates .. .. 2	William H. Dowse .. .. 6
John Worth .. .. 3	Alan McFall .. .. 7
Harold C. Lonyon .. .. 4	A. Peter Whitehead .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. Washbrook.

Conducted by John Worth.

CHURCH LAWTON, Cheshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., May 21, 1965, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8½ cwt.

Frank R. Morton .. .. Treble	Walter Sherratt .. .. 5
Norman Sherratt .. .. 2	Barry Corbishley .. .. 6
*Harold Dowler .. .. 3	Roy Worrall .. .. 7
*†Raymond J. Ballard .. .. 4	Ivor R. Nichols .. .. Tenor

Composed by Rev. H. Law James.

Conducted by Ivor R. Nichols.

\* First peal in the method. † 50th peal. First in the method as conductor.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

QUEX PARK, Kent.—At the Waterloo Tower.

On Sat., May 22, 1965, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES

Being five courses Backstroke Home, 12 courses Tittums, 11 courses Inverted Tittums and 10 courses Handstroke Home.

Tenor 15½ cwt. in F.

Claire Dillamore .. .. Treble	Joe E. G. Roast .. .. 7
Andrew S. Hudson .. .. 2	*Ian R. Panton .. .. 8
M. Jane Foster .. .. 3	Peter J. Eves .. .. 9
Hadley Hunter .. .. 4	Dennis A. S. Symonds .. .. 10
Peter M. Wilkinson .. .. 5	Howard W. Egglestone .. .. 11
Patrick W. Saltmarsh .. .. 6	Martyn L. J. Jordan .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Andrew S. Hudson.

\* First peal of Stedman Cinques.

RAYLEIGH, Essex.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Tues., May 18, 1965, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In six methods, comprising 1,600 London, 1,440 Rutland, 640 Cambridge, and 480 each of Bristol, Superlative and Yorkshire, with 129 changes of method.

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in F.

Peter G. Brown .. .. Treble	†Michael J. Hallett .. .. 5
*Patrick W. Saltmarsh .. .. 2	Dennis A. S. Symonds .. .. 6
Alfred J. House .. .. 3	Ian R. Panton .. .. 7
Joe E. G. Roast .. .. 4	Philip J. Rothera .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. E. Critchley.

Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.

\* 200th peal. † First of six spliced. First of spliced on the bells. The ringer of the 3rd has "circled the tower."

LITTLE WALTHAM, Essex.—At the Church of St. Martin.

On Sat., May 22, 1965, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

Anne Edwards .. .. Treble	†Michael J. Cowling .. .. 4
*Yvonne A. Murray .. .. 2	†Peter G. Brow .. .. 5
†Ian V. Foster .. .. 3	James L. Towler .. .. Tenor

Conducted by James L. Towler.

\* First of Minor "inside." † First "inside." ‡ First of Minor in method.

Rung to celebrate the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. R. Devenish.

## THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

GODALMING, Surrey.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., May 22, 1965, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. in E.

Stanley G. Ponting .. .. Treble	Frederick R. Scott .. .. 5
*Diane Street .. .. 2	J. Keith Ward .. .. 6
†Pamela Gough .. .. 3	†A. Patrick Cannon .. .. 7
Anthony D. Sansom .. .. 4	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First of Cambridge Major. ‡ 100th peal of Cambridge Major, rung in 99 different towers.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BUSHEY HEATH, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., May 15, 1965, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's Transposition.

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr.

S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. .. Treble	Leonard J. North .. .. 5
*Clive W. Simpson .. .. 2	Thomas H. Norris .. .. 6
†Patricia A. Norris .. .. 3	Roger Baldwin .. .. 7
*Lorna E. Simpson .. .. 4	Ellen F. Norris .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Roger Baldwin.

\* 25th peal together. † First peal.

BENINGTON, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter

On Sat., May 22, 1965, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5024 DEVON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

J. Stuart Hutton .. .. Treble	Eric Edmondson .. .. 5
G. William Critchley .. .. 2	Vernon Green .. .. 6
Claudia A. Critchley .. .. 3	J. Richard Castledine .. .. 7
Thomas J. Lock .. .. 4	Jack S. Dear .. .. Tenor

Composed by John R. Mayne.

Conducted by G. William Critchley.

First peal in the method by all except the ringer of the 4th.

## THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.

DROGHEDA, Co. Louth.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., May 15, 1965, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 11 methods. Two extents of Stedman and four each of Reverse St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, Newborough, Grandsire, April Day, Kennington, Plain Bob, Clifford's Pleasure, Southrepps and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure.

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb.

*Helen Hubert .. .. Treble	Frederick E. Dukes .. .. 4
Sandra M. Dukes .. .. 2	Colin A. Lewis .. .. 5
Charles J. Reece .. .. 3	*Adrian S. Doak .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Colin A. Lewis.

\* First peal. The greatest number of methods rung to a peal of Doubles in Ireland.

Rung in memory of Fred Henley, ringer at this tower 1902-65.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

COLEMAN'S HATCH, Sussex.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., May 22, 1965, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in G.

*Robert J. Everest .. .. Treble	†Edward G. Mould .. .. 5
Lucile M. Corby .. .. 2	Percy J. Spice .. .. 6
*Jennifer M. Payne .. .. 3	Andrew J. Corby .. .. 7
Judith M. Corby .. .. 4	Philip A. Corby .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Andrew J. Corby.

\* First peal. † First on eight bells and of Surprise.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

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

On Wed., May 12, 1965, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 17 lb.

Jeffrey Brannan .. .. Treble	Edward Jenkins .. .. 5
Christine Andrew .. .. 2	Peter Wycherley .. .. 6
Gordon Benfield .. .. 3	Alan McFall .. .. 7
John Booth .. .. 4	Derek Butterworth .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pitstow.

Conducted by Jeffrey Brannan.



## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

BICKER, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Swithin.  
On Sat., May 22, 1965, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

J. W. Washbrook's Variation of Thurstans' Four-Part.

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb. in A.

*Christopher J. Sharp .. Treble	George H. Randles .. .. 5
Norah M. Randles .. .. 2	Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. 6
Joyce M. Gurnhill .. .. 3	Jack L. Millhouse .. .. 7
John Walden .. .. 4	Peter A. Sharp .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Thurs., May 20, 1965, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 UPPINGHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

Alick Cutler .. .. Treble	Dennis Knox .. .. 5
Joan Beresford .. .. 2	J. Richard Castledine .. 6
John Hill .. .. 3	Thomas J. Lock .. .. 7
Ruth M. Foreman .. .. 4	John R. Mayne .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by John R. Mayne.

First peal in the method.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NORTH ELMHAM, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., May 1, 1965, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt.

Arthur C. Wells .. .. Treble	Roy E. Cullington .. .. 5
John R. Smith .. .. 2	Kevin S. Hohl .. .. 6
Edward Howes .. .. 3	Derek W. Purdon .. .. 7
Sidney Marshall .. .. 4	H. William Barrett .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. Pritchard.

Conducted by H. William Barrett.

GREAT YARMOUTH, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Thurs., May 20, 1965, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.

George W. Howlett .. Treble	J. Barry Pickup .. .. 5
Edwin R. Goate .. .. 2	Stephen High .. .. 6
Arthur Wigmore .. .. 3	George W. Fletcher .. .. 7
A. William Bird .. .. 4	William B. Duncan .. .. Tenor

Composed by Arthur Knights.

Conducted by Edwin R. Goate.

A wedding compliment to Juanita McBride and John Webster, married on this day; also to Brenda Sampson and Roger Torr, married on April 3rd; both the brides being members of St. Nicholas' company.

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

On Fri., May 14, 1965, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Single Oxford, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

David E. House .. .. Treble	Canon A. G. G. Thurlow .. 5
Martin Cubitt .. .. 2	Roy Duesbury .. .. 6
John Cox .. .. 3	David Cubitt .. .. Tenor

Conducted by David E. House.

Rung to mark the inauguration by H.M. the Queen of the British memorial to John F. Kennedy, which took place this day at Runnymede.

## THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.

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

On Sat., May 15, 1965, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5036 CHELSFIELD SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 10 lb.

Roger M. Heyworth .. Treble	John W. Thorp .. .. 5
Hilary F. Pardoe .. .. 2	Bruce Wakefield .. .. 6
G. Robert Mordaunt .. 3	M. Roger Ashmore .. .. 7
Anthony P. Foster .. .. 4	Nicholas J. Martin .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. G. Cashmore.

Conducted by Nicholas J. Martin.

First peal in the method. This method is not No. 63 of the Corrigan Collection.

## UPPINGHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

38—58.6—56—38.14—14.5.14—16.7.

2nds place l.e. 13527486 4ths place bobs.

## CHELSFIELD SURPRISE MAJOR

—58—1456—58—16—34—58—34—18 l.e. 12

(H. and M. Collection No. 4881)

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

OXFORD.—At the Church of St. Ebbe.

On Tues., May 18, 1965, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 MAURETANIA SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

Harry W. Badger .. Treble	Edward R. Venn .. .. 5
Alice E. J. Lester .. .. 2	Peter J. Heritage .. .. 6
Christopher C. Clarke .. 3	Charles Coles .. .. 7
Frederick W. Soden .. .. 4	Alan R. Pink .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. Tipler (B. 44).

Conducted by Alan R. Pink.

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

GREAT HORWOOD, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Fri., May 14, 1965, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being five extents each of St. Martin, St. Simon, Plain Bob, Stedman, and 22 of Grandsire.

Maurice Jamieson .. Treble	William A. Yates .. .. 4
Raymond A. Vickers .. .. 2	*A. Hedley Wood .. .. 5
George W. Holland .. .. 3	George Edmans .. .. Tenor

Conducted by William A. Yates.

\* First peal of Doubles.

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

WIMBORNE ST. GILES, Dorset.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Sat., May 15, 1965, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb.

Johnson's Variation	*Graham W. Elmes .. .. 5
Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay .. Treble	John W. Blackwood .. .. 6
I. Ann Abrahams .. .. 2	John Hartless .. .. 7
Dorothy T. Gardiner .. .. 3	Ronald N. Marlow .. .. Tenor
James E. Daniels .. .. 4	

Conducted by Ronald N. Marlow.

\* First peal of Major. † First of Surprise.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

SOUTH WILFORD, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Wilfrid.

On Wed., May 19, 1965, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 NEW ANTELOPE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in 16 bob and single variations, three extents each of New Antelope, Upton, Gunthorpe, Caythorpe, Netherfield, Porchester, Zouch, Bulcote, Wheatley and Woodborough, two extents each of Halam, Flawforth, Perlethorpe, Joyce, Kinoulton and Woodthorpe.

Tenor 7 cwt. 18 lb. in A.

Ruth M. Blackshaw .. Treble	Elisabeth J. Foster .. .. 3
George A. Dawson .. .. 2	Simon Humphrey .. .. 4
Maurice W. Harrison .. Tenor	

Conducted by George A. Dawson.

First peal in the method for all and for the Guild.

Birthday compliments to Mrs. E. E. Blackshaw and Robert Marsh.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

WOLVERHAMPTON, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., May 15, 1965, in 3 Hours and 49 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5280 ALDENHAM SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 33 cwt. 21 lb. in C sharp.

Frederick R. Scott .. Tenor	Jack S. Dear .. .. 7
Joan Beresford .. .. 2	Thomas J. Lock .. .. 8
Claudia A. Critchley .. 3	J. Richard Castledine .. 9
G. William Critchley .. 4	J. Keith Ward .. .. 10
John Hill .. .. 5	Gerald Penney .. .. 11
Dennis Knox .. .. 6	John R. Mayne .. .. Tenor

Conducted by John R. Mayne.

First peal of Aldenham Surprise Maximus by all.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

WEST HOATHLY, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Margaret.

On Sat., May 22, 1965, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Consisting of seven different 720's. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in G.

*David R. Comber .. Treble	Derek Slater .. .. 4
Valerie J. Howard .. .. 2	John A. Howard .. .. 5
*David A. E. Roberts .. 3	Frank H. Hicks .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Frank H. Hicks.

\* First peal attempt.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

HAWKLEY, Hampshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., May 15, 1965, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Oxford T.B., Double Oxford, Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B., St. Clements and Childwall, and two of Plain Bob.

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb.

Rev. C. R. C. Coussmaker Treble	Philip Stevens .. .. 4
E. Winifred Keyes .. .. 2	Bryan C. Burrough .. .. 5
*David E. Rothera .. .. 3	Bernard E. Matthews .. Tenor

Conducted by Bernard E. Matthews.

\* First peal of Minor.



## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

WORCESTER.—At the Church of St. John-in-Bedwardine.

On Sat., May 15, 1965, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's Transposition.		Tenor 15½ cwt.	
Joseph D. Johnson	.. Treble	Reginald Woodyatt	.. 5
Sidney T. Holt	.. 2	David C. Beacham	.. 6
Denis R. Marris	.. 3	Thomas W. Lewis	.. 7
Mrs. J. Thomas	.. 4	John J. Stanier	.. Tenor

Conducted by Joseph D. Johnson.

Rung in memoriam William Lewis.

BREDON'S NORTON, Worcestershire.—At the Chapel of Ease.

On Tues., May 18, 1965, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents.		Tenor 6½ cwt.	
Arthur C. Berry	.. Treble	James Attwood, sen.	.. 4
Ronald Loxley	.. 2	James Attwood, jun.	.. 5
Ronald Hickmott	.. 3	Rev. L. J. Birch	.. Tenor

Conducted by James Attwood, jun.

First peal on the bells after being rehung.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

NORTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., May 15, 1965, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb.	
Ronald Ducker	.. Treble
Howard C. Palmer	.. 2
David S. Johnson	.. 3
A. Benjamin Cooper	.. 4
Michael D. Staniforth	.. 5
*Richard D. Gibson	.. 6
Frederick Ross	.. 7
Alan Leggett	.. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Alan Leggett.

\* 25th peal.

Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to the wife of the ringer of the treble.

BEIGHTON, Derbyshire.—At the Church St. Mary.

On Sun., May 23, 1965, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED TREBLE BOB MINOR

Consisting of 49 methods in the following seven extents: (1) Luton, Ripley, Rhyl, Thorne, Westminster and Allendale Surprise; (2) Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Willesden and Newdigate Delight; (3) Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Willesden, Newdigate, Neasden, St. Albans, Wragby, Charlwood, Marple, Braintree, Humber, Taxal, Clarence and Elston Delight; Morning Star Treble Bob; (4) Barnsley, South Kirby, Havercroft, Felkirk Treble Bob; (5) Beighton, Appleby, Redcar, Hatfield, Cambridge and Bourne Surprise; (6) York, Queen Bess, Hoylandswaine and Tankersley Delight; Primrose Surprise; (7) Sandal, London Scholars', Kingston, Capel, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury, Ockley and Oxford Treble Bob, Wath, Pontefract, Carisbrooke and Donattar Delight, with 103 changes of method and a plain lead of each included.

Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

*Christopher A. Moxon	.. Treble	Wilfrid F. Moreton	.. 4
Harold Chant	.. 2	*Noel F. Moxon	.. 5
Anthony R. Peake	.. 3	Brian Bladon	.. Tenor

Conducted by Anthony R. Peake.

\* Most methods to a peal. The greatest number of Treble Bob Minor methods to a tower bell peal for the Association.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(And the Gresham's School Society.)

HOLT, Norfolk.—At Gresham's School.

On Sat., May 15, 1965, in 2 Hours and 2 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 ST. CLEMENT'S COLLEGE BOB MINOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

Peter N. Mackley	.. 1—2	Richard A. J. Bower (cond.)	3—4
Paul Royds-Jones	.. 5—6		

First peal in the method by all the band and for the Society.

(And the Gresham's School Society.)

HOLT, Norfolk.—At Gresham's School.

On Thurs., May 20, 1965, in 1 Hour and 32 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in six methods. Being eight extents each of Winchendon Place Bob and St. Martin's Bob, seven extents each of St. Nicholas' Bob and St. Simon's Bob, and six extents each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor size 15 in C.

Peter N. Mackley	.. 1—2	Richard A. J. Bower (cond.)	3—4
Paul Royds-Jones	.. 5—6		

Most methods for the band and the Society.

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

SWANSEA, Glamorgan.—All at Mor-Awelon, Lon Derw, Tycoc'h.

On Fri., April 23, 1965, in 2 hours and 19 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5264 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 18 in F.

Hazel Way	.. 1—2	J. Arthur Hoare	.. 5—6
Brian J. Woodruffe	.. 3—4	Richard T. Smith	.. 7—8

Arranged and Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

On Sat., April 24, 1965, in 4 Hours,

## A PEAL OF 10800 MINOR

In 15 methods, being an extent each of Horsmonden Bob, Cumberland Bob, St. Nicholas College Bob, Gower College Bob, Heatherslade College Bob, Reverse Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure Bob, Ullswater Bob, Mewslade Court Bob, Double Plain Bob, Fulbeck Bob, St. Clement's College Bob, Buxton College Bob, Childwall College Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way	.. 1—2	Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.)	3—4
J. Arthur Hoare	.. 5—6		

Longest peal of Minor for the Guild.

On Sun., April 25, 1965, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor size 18 in F.

Hazel Way	.. 1—2	J. Arthur Hoare	.. 5—6
Brian J. Woodruffe	.. 3—4	Richard T. Smith	.. 7—8
Edmund J. Morris	.. 9—10		

Arranged and Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

On Fri., April 30, 1965, in 1 Hour and 57 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In 18 methods: (i) Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's and Childwall; (ii) Pinehurst and Buxton; (iii) St. Nicholas, Gower and Heatherslade; (iv) Horsmonden and Cumberland Bob; (v) Ullswater and Mewslade Court; (vi) Reverse Plain Bob and Canterbury Pleasure; (vii) Oxford Bob, Plain Bob and Double Plain Bob. 113 changes of method.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way	.. 1—2	Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.)	3—4
J. Arthur Hoare	.. 5—6		

On Sun., May 2, 1965, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way	.. 1—2	J. Arthur Hoare	.. 5—6
Brian J. Woodruffe	.. 3—4	Edmund J. Morris	.. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

On Thurs., May 6, 1965, in 2 Hours,

## A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way	.. 1—2	Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.)	3—4
J. Arthur Hoare	.. 5—6		

On Sat., May 8, 1965, in 1 Hour and 58 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way	.. 1—2	*Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.)	3—4
*J. Arthur Hoare	.. 5—6		

\* 150th peal together.

On Sun., May 9, 1965, in 2 Hours and 13 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5152 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 14 in D.

Edmund J. Morris	.. 1—2	J. Arthur Hoare	.. 5—6
Hazel Way	.. 3—4	Brian J. Woodruffe	.. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Boyce, of Cadoxton, on their golden wedding.

## THE UNIVERSITIES' ASSOCIATION.

CAMBRIDGE.—At B 17, Angel Court, Trinity College.

On Fri., April 30, 1965, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor size 17 in A.

S. Clarke Walter	.. 1—2	Hadley Hunter	.. 5—6
John E. Spice	.. 3—4	Vivian Nutton	.. 7—8

Keith J. Darvill .. 9—10

Composed and Conducted by Hadley Hunter.

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# QUARTER PEALS

**ALWALTON, HUNTS.** — On May 15th, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): G. Oliver 1, G. Davis 2, A. Waller 3, B. Branson 4, F. Sismey (cond.) 5. First in four methods 2 and 4.

**BASINGSTOKE, HANTS.** — At St. Michael's Church on May 6th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: C. Oster 1, Mrs. J. Weaver 2, E. H. Balaam 3, D. P. Murduck 4, J. Weaver 5, P. Murduck 6, P. N. Tubbs (cond.) 7, P. G. Holmes 8. Rung half-muffled prior to the memorial service for John R. Sharp, C.B.E.

**BIGGIN HILL, KENT.** — On May 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: David Stocker (first quarter) 1, Mrs. B. Stocker 2, Mrs. B. van-Asselt 3, R. C. Kift 4, H. M. Williamson (cond.) 5, K. Rundle 6. For Evensong.

**BLETSUE, BEDS.** — On May 20th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: G. W. Massey 1, T. R. Hatchett 2, G. E. Bonham 3, R. J. Sharp 4, R. Chapman 5, P. Mehew (cond.) 6.

**BLEWBURY, BERKS.** — On May 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Corderoy 1, Mary Wells 2, H. W. Dunsden 3, F. E. Godden 4, D. Vince (first on eight bells) 5, R. B. Blond (cond.) 6, C. Corderoy 7, P. Corderoy 8. For Rogation service.

**BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER, GLOS.** — On May 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Bateman 1, Miss H. Maltman (first quarter "inside") 2, J. Frank Smallwood 3, Miss V. E. Dupre 4, I. Lloyd 5, Miss K. M. H. Branson (cond.) 6, A. W. Lloyd 7, W. H. Pickett 8.

**BRADFIELD, YORKS.** — On May 18th, 1,320 Doubles (April Day, Plain Bob): E. P. King 1, D. Hutton 2, R. Plant (first quarter) 3, G. Pilkington 4, M. King (cond.) 5, P. S. Wood 6.

**BUXHILL, SUFFOLK.** — On May 24th, 1,440 Surprise Minor (Cambridge and Norwich): R. E. Lester 1, Janet I. Rogers 2, R. Rose 3, N. F. Whittell 4, R. H. Rogers (cond.) 5, M. J. Rose 6. A 21st birthday compliment to Janet I. Rogers.

**CANTERBURY, KENT.** — At St. Dunstan's Church on May 20th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Miss F. Templeman 1, Mrs. G. Stockbridge 2, J. Stockbridge 3, A. Davies 4, B. J. Luck 5, D. Chatfield (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mrs. E. A. O. Humphreys, churchwarden at Holy Cross Church, Canterbury.

**CHALFORD, GLOS.** — On May 22nd, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: R. W. Sweet (first of Minor) 1, D. Huddleston 2, A. Howard 3, A. Tubb 4, H. N. Evans 5, B. A. G. North 6, H. N. Evans (cond.) 7. On eve of Rogation Sunday and for Commonwealth Day.

**CLAPHAM PARK, LONDON.** — On May 16th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: C. Mew (cond.) 1, M. Godfrey 2, E. Godfrey 3, R. Cooles 4, A. Clayton 5, D. Hopkins 6, P. Smith 7, A. Bishop 8. A.M.D.G.

**CLAPTON-IN-GORDANO, SOMERSET.** — On May 15th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: W. Rice 1, Miss M. Legg 2, M. Bartlett 3, E. Skipsey 4, T. A. Cross 5, G. Salmon (cond.) 6.

**CLITHEROE, LANCs.** — On May 25th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: S. Washbrook 1, E. Crabtree (first "inside" Bob Minor) 2, G. Salmon (first quarter) 3, P. Norman 4, S. Wright (first "inside") 5, F. Price (cond.) 6, M. Corlett, covering. In honour of Mayor's Day.

**CONISBROUGH, YORKS.** — On May 17th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: D. Burling 1, G. R. Hiner 2, F. Fisher 3, J. N. D. Chaddock 4, G. W. Pilkington (first of Major) 5, L. E. Smith 6, M. King 7, E. P. King (first of Major as cond.) 8.

**CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.** — On May 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. Hudson 1, Miss R. A. Stevens 2, R. Johnson 3, S. Upton 4, R. Durnford 5, J. Herbecque 6, F. F. Godmark (cond.) 7, E. Brett 8. Rung as a welcome back to the Rev. Trevor Glynn as curate.

**DALTON-IN-FURNESS, LANCs.** — On May 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: E. W. Birkett 1, W. T. Turner 2, J. E. Burles 3, J. T. Turner 4, J. E. Dickinson 5, F. Birkett 6, J. Bagnall 7, W. Wall (cond.) 8, H. Wilson 9, R. Stuart 10. To celebrate the 77th birthday of Thomas Metcalfe, who has been ringing at Dalton for the past 66 years.

**DRONFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.** — On April 20th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Eileen J. Osborne 1, Catherine Bradley 2, Dorothy Cunningham (first quarter) 3, F. Cooper 4, L. Goodall (cond.) 5, G. N. Goodall 6.

**EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.** — At Christ Church on May 20th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: A. Baldock (cond.) 1, P. Fox (first of Major) 2, Rosemary Earl (first of Plain Bob Major) 3, Janet Percy 4, R. Percy 5, H. Reynolds 6, I. White (first of Major) 7, I. Smith 8. Rung prior to the induction of the new Vicar, Rev. D. G. Newman.

**EDMONTON, MIDDx.** — On May 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Jacky Hedges 1, Sheila Moore 2, Pamela Mills (first of Triples) 3, Beryl Platt 4, Teresa Langdon (first quarter as cond.) 5, T. Hawkins 6, D. Langdon 7, Gloria Simpson 8.

**ELING, HANTS.** — On May 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. A. Buchanan 1, Miss R. Purkess 2, J. Hartless (cond.) 3, Mrs. G. Northway 4, B. Mackrell 5, R. Buchanan 6.

**FINCHLEY, MIDDx.** — On May 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Taylor 1, A. Richardson 2, Mrs. E. Richardson 3, B. Watson (first as cond.) 4, Miss D. Robotham 5, S. Wallace 6, L. Tubb 7, W. Harwin 8. Rung for Evensong.

**FRITTENDEN, KENT.** — On May 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: H. Payne 1, Violet Relf 2, Carol Wood 3, P. Richardson 4, H. Deacon 5, B. Johnson (cond.) 6, L. Sweatman cover.

**GEDLING, NOTTS.** — On May 15th, 1,320 Doubles (six methods): J. Dawson 1, Miss M. E. Chilton 2, J. T. Burnup 3, D. A. Osbourne (first as cond.) 4, G. A. Dawson 5, R. Adey 6. For Matins.

**GREAT FINBOROUGH, SUFFOLK.** — On May 24th, 1,440 Surprise Minor (Netherscale and Ipswich): Janet I. Rogers 1, R. E. Lester 2, M. J. Rose 3, R. Rose 4, R. H. Rogers (cond.) 5, N. F. Whittell 6. A 21st birthday compliment to Janet I. Rogers.

**GWENNAP, CORNWALL.** — On May 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Barbara Duck 1, A. Locke 2, D. A. Trethewey 3, J. George 4, A. J. Davidson (cond.) 5, W. R. Curtis.

**HELSTON, CORNWALL.** — On May 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering): C. W. Linington 1, E. H. Langley 2, D. Stephens 3, G. W. Riddy 4, A. Locke 5, S. Pryor (first quarter) 6, A. J. Davidson (cond.) 7, J. Bassett (first quarter) 8. A compliment by the Guild to the Rev. A. D. Moon, on his retirement.

**HERSHAM, SURREY.** — On May 23rd, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: J. Bailey 1, Mrs. G. Chinnery 2, H. Colcombe 3, Miss G. Mooring 4, Mrs. P. Bird 5, C. Chinnery 6, J. King 7, C. Webb (cond.) 8. First in the method 1, 2, 5, 6 and 7. Rung by the local band for Evensong.

**HOUGHAM, LINCs.** — On May 19th, 1,000 Bob Minimus: Mrs. M. Pinchbeck 1, G. Colborne (cond.) 2, F. Pinchbeck 3, L. Squires 4. The first touch on the bells since rebanding in 1938. Rung half-muffled in memorial A. T. Kerr.

**ILTON, SOMERSET.** — On May 22nd, 1,320 Kent Treble Bob Minor: J. T. Locke 1, J. Brewer 2, N. J. Maggs 3, R. J. Dean 4, R. Beale 5, W. A. J. Knight (cond.) 6. First of Kent Treble Bob 2 and 4.

**LANCHESTER, DURHAM.** — On March 21st, 1,440 Doubles (three methods): J. Tonks 1, J. Thomson 2, Miss L. Moore 3, H. P. Thompson 4, A. Walker (first as cond. in three methods) 5, R. Jackson 6. Also on May 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss L. Moore 1, J. Tonks 2, A. Walker 3, R. Jackson 4, D. Appleton 5, H. P. Thompson (first of Minor as cond.) 6. First of Minor 1, 2 and 4. Also on May 16th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss S. Jackson (first quarter) 1, H. P. Thompson 2, Miss L. Moore 3, J. Tonks 4, A. Walker (cond.) 5, R. Jackson 6. Also on May 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Tonks 1, J. Thomson (first of Minor "inside") 2, A. Walker 3, R. Jackson 4, D. Appleton 5, H. P. Thompson (cond.) 6. All for Evensong.

**LOCKING, SOMERSET.** — On May 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Jane Markham (first quarter, aged 14) 1, R. Jones (first "inside") 14) 2, Yvonne Criddle (14) 3, June Legg 4, Marjorie Legg (cond.) 5, G. Prescott 6. For Evensong. Also on May 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Jones 1, Marjorie Legg (cond.) 2, Jane Markham (first "inside") 3, June Legg 4, J. Coombs 5, Yvonne Criddle 6. For Rogation.

**MANSFIELD WOODHOUSE, NOTTS.** — On May 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. R. Humphrey 1, Miss E. J. Foster 2, Miss S. Popplestone 3, J. Hallett 4, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 5, S. Humphrey 6.

**MARKET DRAYTON, SALOP.** — On May 5th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: A. M. Hickman 1, H. F. White 2, E. Roberts 3, F. Price 4, R. Hazeldine 5, S. J. Hughes 6, A. T. Shelton 7, W. H. Tyler (cond.) 8. Rung half-muffled as a last token of respect to Mr. J. A. Hilditch.

**MERRIOTT, SOMERSET.** — On May 15th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): J. T. Locke 1, A. C. Best 2, H. E. Turner 3, S. A. Turner (cond.)

4, A. W. Robinson 5, S. Wills 6. Rung for the wedding this day of Miss Wendy Richardson to Lt. Roger Wigram, S.C.L.I.

**MERTHAM, SURREY.** — On May 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Joan Hanning 1, W. Dunn 2, Shirley Aston 3, A. J. Bull 4, A. T. Shelton 5, N. E. Elliott 6, C. H. Cook (cond.) 7, A. Cheasley 8. To congratulate the ringer of the 4th on his 73rd birthday.

**MICKLETON, GLOS.** — On May 2nd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. F. Smallwood (cond.) 1, W. H. Pickett 2, Miss K. M. H. Branson 3, Miss V. E. Dupre 4, F. H. Howson 5, A. W. Lloyd 6, F. Kinchin 7, F. Brown 8.

**NAULSE, SUMMERSET.** — On May 18th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Mrs. D. Strong 1, L. Derrick 2, C. Kortright (cond.) 3, J. Evered 4, J. Lott 5, L. Childs 6. A 74th birthday compliment to Mrs. H. Hardwidge, whose husband has been a ringer in this tower for many years.

**ORMESBY, MIDDLESBROUGH.** — On May 16th, 1,312 Plain Bob Major: Susan Roach (first quarter) 1, Enid Lawson 2, Mrs. L. Warrior 3, Ann Lawson 4, T. Cox 5, J. Roach 6, P. Wishart 7, K. Lawson (cond.) 8. Rung to celebrate the 13th birthday of the treble ringer.

**OVERBURY, WORCS.** — On May 21st, Call changes (instead of Grandsire Doubles owing to absence of ringer): J. Warner (first quarter) 1, Rosemary Collins 2, M. Boskett (cond.) 3, S. Hopkins 4, S. Lait 5.

**PETER TAVY, DEVON.** — On May 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. J. Cann 1, J. C. Mitchelmore 2, R. A. Southwood (cond.) 3, G. E. Mudge 4, M. J. Bray 5, L. R. Cundy 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Prebendary Brian Pratt, Rector of Peter Tavy, who died on May 11th.

**PLUCKLEY, KENT.** — On May 10th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Sylvia Knight 1, L. Sweatman 2, H. Deacon 3, Carol Wood 4, B. Johnson (cond.) 5, E. Clifton 6. A compliment to the treble ringer on her 16th birthday.

**PORTSEA, HANTS.** — On May 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. F. A. Rolph (first of Triples) 1, A. Page 2, Mrs. E. Duguid (first "inside") 3, A. Burbidge 4, T. R. Taylor 5, W. Tate 6, W. F. J. Cope (cond.) 7, C. Harris 8.

**RANDWICK, GLOS.** — On May 22nd, 1,272 Minimus (five methods): A. Tubb 1, A. Howard (cond.) 2, D. Huddleston 3, H. N. Evans 4. Rung for the 250th anniversary of the first peal.

**RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.** — On May 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. Ward 1, E. Blower 2, Miss J. Griffith 3, F. May 4, D. Belcham 5, M. Hallett (cond.) 6. For Confirmation service.

**RIPPLE, WORCS.** — On May 15th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: C. Haylings 1, F. Lawrence 2, J. Smith (first of Surprise) 3, D. Price (cond.) 4, E. F. Cubberley 5, J. Clements 6.

**ST. PETER'S-IN-THANET, KENT.** — On May 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Elsdon 1, Mrs. W. Bridges 2, G. Firman 3, E. Milstead 4, T. Holmes 5, J. Baxter 6, A. Bridges (cond.) 7, E. Fowles 8. Rung for the beginning of the 5th year of Christian Stewardship in the parish. Also on May 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss E. Exwood 1, Mrs. W. Bridges 2, Mrs. S. Foskett 3, Miss M. Elsdon 4, G. Firman 5, S. Foskett 6, A. Bridges (cond.) 7, E. Fowles 8.

**SAWRIDGEWORTH, HERTS.** — On April 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (with 6 and 8 covering): S. Brooks 1, R. Hayden 2, A. Richardson 3, R. Walker 4, G. Goodman (cond.) 5, E. Rochester 6, D. Kingston 7, S. White 8. Rung for the christening of the first daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Canfield.

**STRATTON, CORNWALL.** — On Easter Sunday, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: F. Sangwin 1, A. Bissat 2, W. Lavers 3, P. Newton 4, R. Newton 5, B. Vince 6, F. Wilkinson 7, H. Stacey (cond.) 8.

**WALKINGTON, E. YORKS.** — On May 14th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: E. M. Haynes 1, J. Gray 2, J. Brooks (first of Kent) 3, N. W. Castle 4, D. S. Johnson 5, A. B. Cooper (first as cond.) 6.

**WATCHET, SOMERSET.** — On May 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss A. Chamberlain (first quarter) 1, A. Somerfield 2, P. Watts 3, J. Aldridge (cond.) 4, N. Swinburne (first "inside") 5, D. S. Binding (first quarter) 6.

**WATERINGBURY, KENT.** — On May 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Anne Oakley 1, Marjorie Mannerling 2, D. Cheeseman (first "inside") 3, J. Mannerling (cond.) 4, M. Pring 5, D. Parks 6. A birthday compliment to D. Cheeseman.

**WENTWORTH, YORKS.** — On May 16th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: M. A. Beaumont 1, A. King 2, D. Hutton 3, E. P. King 4, Elizabeth H. Cherry 5, M. King (cond.) 6. For Evensong.



## QUARTER PEALS

**STAFFORD.**—On May 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Caters: Jennifer Beech 1, R. J. Warrilow (cond.) 2, E. Fairbrother 3, F. R. Wiggin 4, F. Eley 5, R. K. Mowforth 6, F. Beech 7, A. E. Garbett 8, E. Malin 9, R. Stanley 10. For morning service, and a farewell compliment to Preb. D. A. Hodges, M.A., Rector, on his appointment as Canon Residentiary in Lichfield Cathedral.

**STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.**—On May 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Anita O'Brien (first quarter) 1, Sheila M. Haskins 2, A. R. Peake 3, D. J. White (first as cond.) 4, Pauline Lansley 5, W. E. Gearing 6.

**THORINGTON, ESSEX.**—On May 24th, 1,260 Minor (Oxford Treble Bob, Single Oxford, Plain Bob): Mrs. D. Andrews 1, Rachel Orman 2, Jennifer M. Andrews 3, A. G. Button 4, A. R. Andrews 5, G. N. Orman (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Charles Andrews, interred at this church on this day.

**WEST BRIDGFORD, NOTTS.**—On May 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Janet Thornton (first quarter) 1, W. L. Ratcliffe 2, Penny Miller 3, Juliet Stamper 4, P. K. Else (cond.) 5, D. Slade (first quarter) 6. For Confirmation service, and as a compliment to David Crossland, who was confirmed.

**WESTON FAVELL, NORTHANTS.**—On May 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): R. S. Roberts 1, Miss S. Ruddlesden (first on five) 2, Miss J. H. Downing 3, S. M. Ruddlesden 4, P. Amos (cond.) 5. For the wedding of Richard A. Gregory and Helen Patricia Jordan.

**WISTASTON, CHESHIRE.**—On May 16th, 1,260 Doubles (eight methods): H. G. Flynn 1, J. S. Baker 2, A. J. Yorke 3, F. R. Morton (cond.) 4, T. E. Trickett 5, G. Green (first quarter) 6. Rung for Confirmation service.

**WOODCHURCH, Birkenhead, CHESHIRE.**—On May 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Barbara Gateland 1, R. Cleaver 2, J. S. Anderson 3, June Price 4, A. Wilkinson 5, W. Hall (cond.) 6. For Rogation Sunday, and the visit of Bishop B. P. Robin, a former Rector.

**YEOUVIL, SOMERSET.**—On May 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. H. Narramore 1, R. Moore 2, T. E. Marks 3, H. J. Gaylard (cond.) 4, D. S. Beaufoy 5, G. Gaylard 6, T. J. Setter 7, C. Wyatt 8. For Evensong.

## BIGGLESWADE DISTRICT

The annual outing of the Biggleswade District took place on May 15th, when Worcestershire was visited. On this glorious spring day the countryside looked at its best and a feeling of rich joy and promise permeated the scene, with lambs gambolling in the meadows, whilst gardeners watched with special interest the progress of the early potatoes!

First stop was Hinton-on-the-Green, where the light eight were put to good use for about 45 minutes, and here it was very pleasant to renew acquaintance with Mrs. Thomas. At Pershore Abbey, the musical qualities of the excellent, heavy eight were not improved by a powerful accompaniment on the organ. A visiting organist had been allotted an unfortunate period for practice, and the struggle for supremacy between organ and bells was long and furious!

After "striking our colours" we sat down to an excellent lunch before proceeding to the beautiful village of Stoughton, where we had the pleasure of ringing on the bells of both the Parish Church and Mr. Jopp's campanile. Our efforts to master the very light six at the campanile were not too successful in all cases, but Mr. and Mrs. Jopp were very gracious and charming in the role of host and hostess. Another spot of great charm and beauty was Kempsey, where the very fine ring of six gave great pleasure.

Tea was taken at Upton-on-Severn after which the splendid ring of eight made a fitting end to the day's ringing.

Sincere thanks to our organiser, Mr. L. H. Bywaters, to the various incumbents and to all who contributed to the success of this memorable trip, not forgetting our co-operative driver. A. E. R.

## ... AND THE BABY CAME, TOO



Wimbledon ringers at Gretton. Back row left to right) standing: G. Reynolds, Hilary Johnston, E. Godfrey, Margaret Godfrey, D. Brookes, Deborah Hopkins, Lesley Eames, A. Bishop. Front row: (left to right): K. Newman, Dudley Cocke, Linda Radley, Elizabeth Zass, Vanessa Rodrigues, M. Bangham, Susan Newman, Rosamond Rawlings and Joanna.

**BY** ten o'clock on the evening of Friday, April 23rd, 18 ringers and one baby had gathered at the headquarters for Wimbledon's fourth week-end outing—Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire. We refreshed ourselves with coffee and sandwiches—there were no pork pies in sight—and after some chatter Melton was quiet again.

We met again at breakfast and were all ready on time at 9 a.m. to start the day. After a short drive we found Taylor's and were given a short tour before commencing ringing. At first we could not do the bells justice although some Yorkshire and Cambridge Major was rung quite reasonably before we left.

Barrow-on-Soar bells, after the foundry, seemed very heavy and loud, but the men showed their skill by ringing London. The less experienced found these preferable to the bells at the foundry and definitely preferable to the bells at Ashby de la Zouch, a ground floor ring with a long draught.

After an unintentional tour of Ashby we arrived at Bretby for lunch, where the baby, Joanna, came truly into her own. Somebody had been heard to say during the morning that there was a secondary attraction on the outing. The waitresses who served us at lunch would have said there was only one, and the parents were forced to smile amiably whilst a sleepy Joanna was thoroughly awakened by their attentions.

This court having been dissolved, we were to hear just what Taylor's can produce. Duffield and Ilkeston soon cured us of any disappointment we might have felt over the morning's bells and ringing. The ten at Duffield are next to the railway line. So when we had dutifully rung Duffield Royal to satisfy our secretary we were also able to content two others who were able to indulge in two hobbies at once as a train rattled past during Stedman Caters.

Unfortunately we were late at the next tower and all rushed up the steep slope to be greeted by loud "sshings" from the proud parents who had placed the carry-cot outside the church. Only a few minutes later their care became absurd as we started to ring! We

had not attempted Ilkeston Surprise, but a good course of Sandiacre was rung at the home tower. Quorn was the last tower of the day and although enthusiasm for ringing was already turning into enthusiasm for dinner, there was some reasonable ringing, including Bristol.

Sunday service ringing was at Melton, where we joined the local ringers. We managed Cambridge Royal and Stedman Caters but we could not do full justice to this beautiful ten. For the rest of the morning ringers might have been seen wandering around Uppingham, where we were to have lunch, in the lovely spring sunshine. After lunch came Gretton, the home tower of one of our members and then Deane, where the beauty of the church's setting brought forth as much praise as is usually reserved for bells. From there we had a long drive down into Hertfordshire to Braughing (8), where it was the lovely scarlet sallies that called forth our admiration. From there it was only a few miles to our last tower, Brent Pelham, but although last it proved to be one of the most enjoyable. Not only are these a very pleasant six, but we were welcomed by our old friends, George and Lil Goodman. Luckily we gave them some good ringing with a touch of Cambridge as well as a course of Durham, before we descended upon them for coffee.

Our thanks to the Goodmans, our secretary, the incumbents and those who welcomed us so warmly. V. R.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

The Bingham District had an excellent meeting at East Bridford on May 8th, when five teams met for the District round of the Crawford Cup Contest. The judges—Messrs. P. Humphrey and N. Poplestone—agreed that ringing was better than in previous years. Placings: 1 Shelford (45 faults), 2 Whetton (75½), 3 Holme Pierrepont (105½ + 10 penalty), 4 Gedling (141½), 5 Radcliffe (151). First two meet in final at Burnby-in-the-Willows. The Rev. F. Stephani conducted the service, and Dr. D. Paterson gave the address.



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### BIRTHS

BEVIS.—At 150, Burrowmoor Road, March, on Thursday, May 27th, 1965, to June (née Peel) and Trevor, God's gift of a daughter, Andrea, a sister for Denise. 7000

GREEN.—To Jennifer (née Firth) and Vernon, of 11, Manor Drive, Watford Road, St. Albans, a daughter, Jeanette Anne, on May 28th, 1965. 7004

### MARRIAGE

WHITE—BOCK.—On May 22nd, 1965, at St. Sylvester's Church, Quakenbruck, W. Germany, between Derek, only son of Mr. and Mrs. T. White, of West Meon, Hants, and Ingrid, only daughter of Dr. and Frau Bock, of 457, Quakenbruck. 6985

### PERSONAL

Let not then your good be evil spoken of.—Romans xix, 15.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

EVENDEN.—The address of Janet and George Evenden is now The Tenors, 78, Parkway, Coxheath, Maidstone, Kent. 6962

FINCH.—As from June 4th, the address of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Finch will be 2, Chestfield Close, Rainham, Kent. 6958

PHIPPS.—The new address of Malcolm Phipps (Chesterfield District secretary) is now 23, Walton Drive, Boythorpe Chesterfield. Members please note. 6995

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### MISCELLANEOUS

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Branch.—Corporate Communion at Worle Sunday, June 13th 8 a.m. Bells (6) 7.15 a.m.—M. Legg, Hon. Branch Sec. 6963

**BARNSELEY & DISTRICT SOCIETY**  
**THE ANNUAL SHIELD CONTEST**  
will be held on July 10th. The Contest is OPEN to any members of the Society. Seven days written notice of entry must be given to the Secretary. Copies of revised Contest Rules are obtainable from Mr. C. A. Moxon. Tivy Dale Cawthorne, Barnsley. Telephone Silkstone 343. Fuller details will be advertised later.

Will members please note that there is no meeting in June, but we hope to give full support to the J.C.Y.R.S. Annual Festival at Wakefield on June 12th. The Society's Outing will be on June 26th. For fuller details of both events, please contact the undersigned.

C. A. MOXON.  
6956

### CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

#### Preliminary Notice

**THE ANNUAL DINNER - DANCE**  
will be held on Saturday, October 9th, 1965 at Mollington Banastre Hotel, Parkgate Road, Chester. Meet 5.45 for 6.15 p.m. Tickets 23/-. Ringing arrangements later.—Henry O. Baker, Gen. Sec.

### RINGERS' SERVICE

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**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Branch.—Corporate Communion at Backwell on Sunday June 13th. Bells (8) available at 7 a.m. Regret no breakfast available on this occasion.—D. G. Yeo, Hon. Branch Sec. 6989

**GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL.**—No practice on June 11th owing to a service. The practice on the following Friday, June 18th, will be Surprise Royal. Weekly practices begin at 7.30 p.m. on Fridays, and doors are usually locked at 7.45 p.m. Surprise Royal normally second Friday of each month. 7003

**ELSTOW ABBEY, BFDS.**—No more ringing until further notice.—M. F. Pettit. 6983

**FILTON, GLOS.**—There will be no ringing on Sunday mornings during June and July. 6969

**LONG SUTTON, SOMERSET.**—Club Day, Monday, June 14th. All the fun of the fair. Bells (6) 7 p.m.-9 p.m. All welcome. 6997

**SALTLEY CARILLON, BIRMINGHAM.**—A recital by Clive M. Smith can be heard on the 23-bell instrument at Parkfield Road, Birmingham 8, on Sunday evening next, June 6th. Tower open 7-7.45 p.m. 6871

### MEETINGS

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Macclesfield Branch.—Quarterly meeting on Sat., June 5th, St. Michael's (12). Bells 3 p.m. Meeting 6 in the vestry. Bells afterwards. Nearby cafes for tea. 6868

**ELY ASSOCIATION.**—Ringing Day at Walpole St. Andrew on Whit Monday, June 7th. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 7001

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Warwick Archdeaconry District.—Next meeting at Tredington, June 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Honington bells 6-8. The tea is in a cafe, so names are most important. Please send names to me. Special method: Double Court.—P. S. Bennett, College Farm, Bearley, Stratford-upon-Avon.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting at St. Thomas', Stourbridge, June 5th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea to me please.—M. D. Fellows, Hon. Sec., 14, Western Road, Stourbridge, Worcs. 6893

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ely District.—Meeting at Burwell, Saturday, June 5th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Special methods: Double Norwich and Oxford Treble Bob. 6947

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—By-meeting at Cuxton (6) on June 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 for those who notify Mrs. R. Smith, The Rectory, Cuxton, Rochester.—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 6948

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—S. and W. District.—Evening meeting only at Cranford on Sat., June 5th. Bells available from 6 p.m.—W. S. Deason, Hon. Dis. Sec. 6888

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wimborne Branch.—Meeting on Sat., June 5th on Brownsea Island. Bells 3-5 p.m., followed by service. Poole bells 6.30-8. Own tea arrangements. Regular ferry service to island from either Poole Quay or Sandbanks, landing fee of 2s. 6d., plus boat fare. 6922

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—Practice meeting at West Grinstead on Sat., June 5th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.45. Names for tea to C. Longhurst, Waterloo Cottage, Worthing Road, West Grinstead.—Mrs. F. I. Hairs, Hon. Div. Sec. 6857

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—The 86th annual general meeting will 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.—P. W. Saltmarsh, Gen. Secretary. 6840

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—Meeting at Great Barford (ringing 3-5 p.m.) and Roxton (6.30 to 8.30) on Saturday, June 12th. Tea (at Great Barford) 5 p.m. Names by 10th, please.—Fleming, 106, Dunstable Street, Amphil. Tel. 3131.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Crewe Branch.—Joint meeting with Shropshire Association at Market Drayton June 12th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by June 9th.—W. Kerr, 107, Moreton Road, Crewe. 6993

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Gravenhall Branch.—A meeting will be held at Frodsham on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—C. Raddon. 6977

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION** (Chesterfield District) and **EAST DERBYS AND WEST NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—Joint meeting at North Wingfield on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Special methods: Lincolnshire Surprise and Reverse Bob. Cups of tea 5 p.m.—please bring own food.—Malcolm Phipps T. H. Radford, Dis. Secs. 6996

**EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—Meeting on Sat., June 12th at Warnham (8) Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Evening ringing 6.15-8.30. Please bring picnic tea. 6911

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cambridge District.—Meeting, Saturday, June 12th, at Guilden Morden and Litlington. Guilden Morden (6) 3 p.m. Service at Guilden Morden 4.30 n.m. Tea at Litlington Vicarage 5 n.m. Litlington (6) after meeting.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 6978

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.W. District.—Meeting at Bobbingworth (Boving) on June 12th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 n.m. Names for tea to W. Neville, Blakehall Cottage, Bobbingworth. (Ongar 2291.) 6935



**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Swindon Branch.—Meeting, June 12th. Bishopstone (8). Names for tea essential. — Luton, 169, Cheney Manor Road, Swindon.

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Guildford District. — Quarterly meeting on Saturday, June 12th, at Dunsfold. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 4.45. Hascombe bells available after tea. Names for tea to Mrs. H. Freeston, 61 Furze Lane, Farncombe, by previous Tuesday. 6927

**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.**—South-West Branch.—Practice meeting Saturday, June 12th, at Shaugh Prior from 6.30-9 p.m. Amongst methods: Plain Bob and Cambridge. Beginners especially welcome.—M. A. Bould, Branch Sec. 6981

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—June 12th, Tring (8). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to H. Collings, 16, Christchurch Road, Tring. 7007

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—Quarterly meeting at West Malling on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. P. Carter, The Ringers, West Malling.—M. L. Howe, Dis. Sec. 6629

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—Quarterly meeting, Dunkerton, June 12th. Bells (6) 3.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea by June 10th, please, to Mrs. de Jong, 6, Beresford Close, Saltford. 6973

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Meeting, Saturday, June 12th, at Ulverston. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to me by June 9th.—T. F. Metcalfe, Branch Sec., 49, Station Road, Flookburgh, Grange-over-Sands. 6953

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting at Walsden and Todmorden Unitarian Church on Saturday, June 12th. Ringing: Walsden (8) 3-5 p.m.; Unitarian Church (8) 6.30-9 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Names for tea essential to Mr. J. M. D. Bateman, 7, Ashdene, Walsden, Todmorden, by previous Thursday.—G. Cheetham. 6972

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Branch.—Meeting, St. Mary's, Prescott, June 12th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Further ringing to 8 p.m. Names to E. Mawdsley, 35, Alden Road, Prescott, Lincs. 6987

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Syston District.—Meeting at Humberstone on Saturday, June 12th. Ringing 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Miss P. Kent 96, Havencrest Drive, Humberstone, Leicester.—M. D. Barsby, Hon. Dis. Sec. 6965

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—Annual Striking Competition will be held at Uffington, Lincs. Saturday, June 12th. Opening service 2.45 p.m. Competition 3.15 p.m. until tea 5.30 p.m., followed by judges' report and presentation of trophy. General ringing until 9 p.m. Names for tea essential by Tuesday previous to Mr. J. W. Haw, 53, Horsegate, Deeping St. James, near Peterborough. 6926

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Barton-on-Humber, Saturday, June 12th. Ringing at St. Mary's (8) only from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Cups of tea provided; bring own food.—C. A. H. 6942

**LLANFAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.**—Llandaff Branch.—Meeting at Cadoston-j-Neath on Sat., June 12th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Names for tea by June 7th, please.—D. J. Llewellyn, 38, Porthkerry Road, Rhose, Barry, Glam. 6816

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting, Saturday, June 12th, St. John's, Waterloo Road 3-4.30. St. Giles', Camberwell, Tea. Church Hall (in street opposite church). 5.15. Meeting. Ringing after. Names for tea, by June 10th, to Miss V. F. Dunne, Hon. Sec., 63, Woodlawn Road S.W.6. REN 4473. 6933

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—Striking Competition, (tower- and handbells) at Yaxham (6). Saturday, June 12th 5.30 p.m. Ringing at Barnham Broom (5). Garveston (6). Reymerton (5) 2 p.m. to 4.15. Dereham (8) 3.45 to 4.45.—C. Bird, Hon. Sec. 6960

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bicester and District Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Kirtlington on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.45. Names for tea as soon as possible to Mr. C. Kinch, 3, The Causeway, Bicester, Oxon. 6979

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—City Branch.—Half-yearly meeting at Garsington on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Godfrey, Hill Top, Garsington, by Wednesday, June 9th. 6976

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Reading Branch.—Summer meeting at Mortimer on Saturday, June 12th. Bells: St. Mary's 2-3.30 and 6.15-9, St. John's 2-3.30 and 6.15-7.30. Service 3.45, St. John's. Tea 4.30 and meeting 5.15 at St. John's Hall. Names for tea to Mrs. Rumsey, The Vicarage, Mortimer Common, by Wednesday, June 9th. 6968

**ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.**—A.G.M. at Carmarthen on Saturday June 12th, at 2.30. Names for tea to Mr. W. L. Williams, Derbryn College, Alltwallis Carmarthen. 6932

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Dorset Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday June 12th, at Stourton. Ringing 3 p.m. Office 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. All welcome, but names for tea essential by Wednesday, June 9th.—Richard Longridge, Okeford Fitzpaine Rectory. Tel. Childe Okeford 311. 6965

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Joint meeting with the Crews Branch of the Chester Guild at Market Drayton on Saturday June 12th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Ringing after tea until 8.30 p.m. Names for tea, by June 9th, to Mr. F. Price, The Grove, Bentleys Road, Market Drayton, Salop.—E. Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec. 6992

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bingham and Nottingham District.—Joint meeting on June 12th at Willoughby-on-the-Wolds. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Upper Broughton (4) 3 till 4. Names for tea, by Wednesday previous, to W. L. Exton, St. Owen's, Wharton.—R. Blackshaw. 6966

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Notts.—Meeting at Everton, Saturday, June 12th. No Cup Contest (E. Retford have a walkover). Names for tea to Mrs. Usher. The Vicarage, Everton, Doncaster. 6959

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—S.E. District.—Quarterly meeting at Blaxhall, on Sat., June 12th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Ringing in the evening at Tunstall (6). Names for tea by Wed., June 9th, to Mr. F. Shaw, Stone Common, nr. Woodbridge.—W. Lockwood, Dis. Sec. 6923

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—Practice meeting at Milland and Rogate on Saturday, June 12th. Milland (6) 3 o'clock followed by tea at the Vicarage. Evensong at Rogate 6 o'clock. Rogate bells (6) afterwards. Please notify for tea, by Wednesday previous, to R. Wake, 28, Keynor Estate, Sidlesham. Chichester. Telephone Sidlesham 325. 6998

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Studley, June 12th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Please notify J. Perkins, 46, Tom's Town Lane, Studley, of names for tea by previous Tuesday. 7005

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Detailed programme sent with tea tickets.—A. Farrand, Hon. Sec. 6758

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Taunton Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Wilton, Saturday, June 19th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please.—A. H. Reed, Mimosa, George Street, Taunton. 6988

**DEVON GUILD.**—Annual festival, Exeter, June 19th. Service, St. Mark's, 4 p.m., preacher Rev. J. Shepherd-Walwyn, Vicar of Westleigh. Tea and meeting St. Mark's Hall. Numbers for tea to Mr. C. Densham, 27, Monkswell Road, Exeter. Ringing: Cathedral, 1.30-3 and 6-8; Heavitree, 2-3.30; St. Mark's, 3-4; St. Petrock's 6-7; St. Thomas's, 7-8 p.m.

**NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting, Wrexham, June 19th. Bells 2 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. followed by tea and meeting in Church House, Regent Street. Names for tea, not later than June 5th, to W. Cathrall 19, Cunliffe Walk, Garden Village, Wrexham. 6928

**STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.**—Annual meeting, Lichfield, Saturday, June 19th. Bells available: Cathedral (10) 3-4.45 and 6.30-7.30; St. Mary's (8) 2.30-3.15 and 7-8.30; St. Chad's (4) 2.45-3.15 and 6.30-7.15 p.m.; St. Michael's (6) 3-4.45 and 6-7.30 p.m.; Longdon (5) 3-4.45 p.m.; Shenstone (5) 7-7.45 p.m. Service in Cathedral Choirstalls 4 p.m., followed by tea in St. Michael's Parish Hall. Seating limited, so names for tea earliest possible, please (June 16th latest) to C. M. Smith, 29, Dimbles Hill, Lichfield, Staffs. Tel. Lichfield 4539.—C. M. S. Hon. Sec. 6940

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting, Godstone (8) June 19th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. K. Wood, 45 Warren Lane, Oxted, by Wednesday, 16th.—K. G. Game, Dis. Sec. 6974

**SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual Festival at Brecon, Saturday, June 19th. Bells available: Glasbury and Talgarth 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Llanfeigan 12 noon to 2 p.m.; St. Mary's, Brecon, 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. Service in Cathedral 4 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea, please, by June 12th, 1965.—J. A. Hoare, Hon. Sec., 3, Lon Derw, Tycroch, Swansea. 6950

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—Meeting at Cookley 3 p.m., Saturday, June 19th. Service 4.15 p.m. followed by tea and business. Names for tea by 24th, please, or you may be unlucky.—Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane Pedmore, Stourbridge. Phone 3470. 6994

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—Annual meeting at Goole on June 19th. Bells (8) available 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea in Church Hall 5 o'clock. Names to Mrs. J. J. Taylor, 165, Dunhill Road, Goole, by Thursday, June 17th. Business meeting for election of officers, etc. Annual subscriptions now due and reports available.—H. S. Morley, Hon. Sec. 6889

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual Festival will be held in Oxford on Saturday, July 3rd, 10 a.m., ringing at Christ Church; 11 a.m., service in the Cathedral; 12 noon, annual meeting in the Chapter House. All ringer-choristers (both men and women) are asked to notify the Deputy Master if they wish to join the choir for the service. Luncheon tickets (price 8s.) available from Mr. A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Church Lane, Wexham, Slough, Bucks, on receipt of remittance. Application before June 29th. Members are asked to check ringing arrangements with the honorary secretary at the Festival or by post (s.a.e.) not by telephone! There have already been cancellations and alterations.—M. R. Cross, Hon. Gen. Sec. 6999

### LATE NOTICE

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