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"OVER TO YOU"

Sermon by Canon Gilbert Thurlow,

President of Central Council at the rehallowing of the bells at Rougham, Suffolk, May 14th, 1966.

John 20: 21. "As the Father sent me, so I send you."

I am so grateful for the invitation to this church today, in this, the diocese where I first learnt to handle a bell and to ring rounds.

A newish book by the Bishop of Guildford, Dr. Reindorp, is called "OVER TO YOU." It is about their new Cathedral. Now the Cathedral is built, it stands as a challenge to all concerned to use it for God's glory and their own joy and peace.

When the Dean of Westminster preached at the 900th anniversary of the founding of Westminster Abbey a few months ago he began simply with the words "AND NOW WE FACE THE FUTURE."

These three brief sentences are like three mighty strokes on a bell. Challenging all who hear — Over to you; and now we face the future; as the Father sent me, so I send you.

There has been, time and time again in this ancient parish, a day when "Over to you" was the order. Maybe a thousand years ago Saxon men built a church here and it became the place where men began to proclaim the Christian faith here, the place where men began to come to dedicate their lives to the service of God and other people. Then seven hundred years ago a stone church was built. "Over to you" it was again! A grand building, commanding that people see how grand a thing is the Christian life.

Then, at last, five hundred years ago those two splendid men, John Tillot and Robert Drury, built this tower. They hung in it a bell cast, perhaps, by John Bird of London about 1415. Three others were hung there also and again the order was "Over to you." So they repeated in their way what Christ had done in His way. They left people a life to live as ringers, and they left them bells to ring. "Now we face the future" was the thought in their hearts as they left their personal share in the history of this place completed. And the future was faced, courageously as ever. Many sad, depressing things happened. Our great Abbey nearby at Bury St. Edmunds, to which this church of Rougham belonged, was reduced to ruin.

The ancient services were done into the then modern English — what a blow to the people who didn't like change and new ideas!

Then wicked Will Downing came, perhaps, and smashed up lovely windows which Rougham people had erected and treasured. Never mind! They faced the future with courage.

William Manning, your churchwarden in 1661, got John Darbie of Ipswich to cast you two bells. He cast you another in 1678. Then you were so pleased with yourselves when you got Tom Osborn of Downham to cast your new tenor in 1790 that you put the words Venite Exultemus on it — words to remember every time you sing Matins.

Other worries came. Napoleon. Hitler. Each time there were people who thought all was coming to an end and there was no future to face, and "Over to you" and Jesus' words at Easter were going to lead us nowhere. But here we are! All's going wrong today as usual! We are wasting money seeking the moon when we cannot run the earth properly. Our humanists vigorously plug the idea that Christianity is played out and that, because they don't happen to believe it, it should not be taught.

Far fewer people come to church now that there are easier things to do. "Why ring bells or repair and play the organ or bother about the choir when you can sit in an armchair with television?"

So the devil deceives his dupes. But there's a vast amount to say on the right side, just as much as at any time since Rougham first had a church. The church is becoming reunited more sincerely than it has been these last thousand years. The Church is looking outside itself to the people around, far more than it has for generations past, to see how it can serve them even though they don't believe the Gospel. The Church is bringing its worship and men's everyday life together more sincerely than it has for centuries. All sorts of new ideas keep appearing, in the way of giving publicity to the Church's faith and life. The very failure of a world apart from Christ to live in peace is a tremendous testimony to the Gospel as the one means of lifting men's hearts to the one true way to live.

"Over to you"! Your renewed bells await your ringers. Whenever a ringer leaves this place look upon it as a challenge to get another one to take his or her place. The bells are here again and you can't ring them by pressing a button — thank God! You can only do it by getting

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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

Annual General Meeting and Festival at Fordington St. George

BETWEEN 150 and 200 ringers from all parts of the far-flung Diocese of Salisbury converged on Dorchester and its nearby Church of Fordington St. George on May 14th, on the occasion of the Guild's Annual Festival.

Some 14 towers throughout Dorset were available for ringing and full use was made of these facilities.

The magnificent Church of St. George was practically full for the Guild service, which was conducted by the Vicar (Canon E. B. Brooks). Attending the service was Mrs. E. L. Hedger (Deputy Mayoress of Dorchester). Miss Evelyn Kingman kindly acted as organist and the lesson was read by the Master (the Rev. R. Longridge). Robed clergy present included (in addition to the Vicar and the Master) the Revs. R. G. Chaffey Moore, Roger Keeley, R. H. L. Clarke and the Ven. E. Seager (Archdeacon of Dorset). The chairman of the Dorchester Branch (the Rev. C. E. C. Brinkworth) was in the congregation.

A stirring address was given by the Archdeacon, who said that bells, service and worship had been connected since earliest times. They were also part of the English scene, and though silent through years of persecution, in later times rang out to call people to church. He made a powerful appeal to ringers to ring for the glory of God and not for personal ambition, and live their lives as a harmonious peal both in a parochial and a wider sense.

A collection was taken and given to the Edwards Memorial Fund. Due to a misunderstanding, the traditional touch on the handbells had to be omitted, and this was the occasion of some regret. A further disappointment was when it became known that the scope of ringing at St. George's was somewhat limited owing to a crack having developed in the tenor. The service, however, was most impressive and none could have left without a feeling of enhanced fellowship and brotherhood.

A meat tea was served in the splendidly appointed St. Osmund's School, at which Ald. E. L. Hedger and Mrs. Hedger (Deputy Mayor and Mayoress) were guests of honour.

The annual meeting followed with the Master as chairman. The Rev. C. E. C. Brinkworth, as chairman of the host Branch, welcomed the company, and the Master introduced Ald. Hedger, who gave a civic welcome to the Branch. He was thanked by the Rev. Brinkworth, who also paid tribute to Canon Brooks and his helpers, as without their co-operation the meeting could not have been held. Mr. Dukes briefly replied.

Minutes of the last meeting were read by the hon. secretary and treasurer (Mr. W. C. West) and unanimously approved. The company stood in silence in memory of those who had passed away during the year. In his report, Mr. West noted the steady advance in the quality of peal ringing, and suggested that more time should be given to instructing new conductors, of whom there was a scarcity throughout the Guild area. A statement of accounts showed that despite an expensive year there was a surplus on working of £6. It was adopted unanimously with thanks to the hon. auditors (J. S. Weeks and C. F. Andrews).

INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP

To the great regret of all, Mr. West then announced his wish to retire from office after 16 years as general secretary, having previously completed nine years as a Branch secretary. Paying tribute to him, the Master said "the measure of his success as general secretary is that during his reign—an inflationary period if ever there was one—the subscription has only increased by 1s., the membership has increased to well over 1,000, the Guild reports have continued to be issued free to every member and a satisfactory balance maintained in the bank." On behalf of the Guild Mr. C. W. H. Powell (chairman of the West Dorset Branch) presented Mr. West with a cheque for £32 10s. as a mark of gratitude and esteem. Mr. West suitably replied.

A résumé of Branch activities was then given by the Master, who reinforced the hon. secretary's appeal for the training of more conductors.

The election of officers resulted in the Rev. R. Longridge being unanimously confirmed as Master, and to fill the office of president, vacant for a year since the death of Canon Carew Cox, the choice fell on Mr. West, who was elected with acclamation. Obviously moved by the unexpected honour, he promised to do his best to follow in the path of his illustrious predecessors. Mr. J. T. Barrett was elected as hon. secretary and treasurer, and Mr. F. Slatford was confirmed as assistant hon. secretary, the committee being re-elected en bloc. Messrs. C. Knight, H. Burry and G. Amor were elected as hon. life ringing members.

A grant of £15 was made to Compton Bassett and one of £5 to Horsley for repairs to their bells and belfries.

There was a long discussion on the advisability of obtaining different quotations for the supply of badges, and a suggestion by the Calne Branch of forming a catering committee for future meetings. On show at the head of the table was a massive flagon given to St. Peter's (Dorchester) ringers in 1676 by one Edward Lester, no doubt for their liquid refreshment. Its home now is in the Dorchester Museum, being brought out on this special occasion.

In concluding the meeting the Master thanked Mrs. Brooks and her helpers for preparing and serving the meal, and everyone who had assisted in making the day such a success. The journey homewards was broken for ringing at many a lovely old church whose towers were still open for the enthusiast, and the smiling Dorset countryside echoed with their music until a late hour. So ended another memorable festival.

W. A. E.

TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD

Over 70 ringers attended the spring festival of the Penzance Branch held at Phillack on May 14th. The service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. M. A. Thomas, and afterwards the ladies of the church provided a very ample tea, for which we expressed our thanks.

The business meeting followed, with the presentation of long-service certificates. It has been suggested that the autumn festival be held on October 8th, possibly in the Helston area.

Other towers open were Carbis Bay, Gwinear and Lelant.

M. C.

MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD

THE president, Mr. B. Worthington, made the long journey from Ponteland, Northumberland, to attend the annual meeting of the Midland Counties Guild at Burton-on-Trent on May 7th. He congratulated the Guild on another successful year, and in thanking the officers said one of the most hard-working was Mr. G. H. Lane, of Kingsbury, Warks, and another who could not be thanked enough was Mr. J. W. Cotton, the devoted Guild secretary.

The secretary in his report spoke of the loss the Guild had sustained by the deaths of Miss Foulk (Duffield) and Mr. K. Taylor (Coleshill). Twelve resident and eight non-resident members joined during the year, the total membership being 16 honorary and 124 ringing. Thirty-five peals were rung, two members ringing their first. Mr. D. P. Jones was the leading conductor with 18 peals, and the hon. secretary the leading ringer with 36, followed by R. J. Clifton, 29. Leading non-residents were Mr. A. E. Rowley (32), G. R. Edwards (20) and D. S. Pont (20).

1966 OFFICERS

Mr. B. Worthington was re-elected president; the Rev. W. V. G. Griffiths, Vicar of Burton, vice-president; Mr. R. A. Welton, chairman; Mr. G. H. Lane, Ringing Master; Mr. J. W. Cotton, hon. secretary; Mr. J. H. Brittan, hon. treasurer. Standing Committee: Messrs. J. K. Smith (Winhill), G. L. Roobottom (Sudbury), D. P. Jones (Church Gresley) and Mr. W. J. Leach (Burton) together with the officers of the Guild.

The meeting concluded with the president proposing a vote of thanks to those responsible for the tea, the vice-president for so willingly conducting the service and his appropriate address in which he said the art of ringing took a lifetime to perfect, and many people appreciated the ringing of bells, not least among them those who were ill, infirm or otherwise prevented from attending the services of the church. The Vicar of All Saints (the Rev. J. M. Innes) was also thanked for the use of the modern ring (tenor 21 cwt.) in his church before the service.

The evening ringing was at St. Modwen's.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Lewisham District

The meeting of the Lewisham District on the recently rehung bells of St. Mary the Virgin's, Hayes, on April 23rd, attracted 48 members and friends to the excellent tea provided by Miss Hilda Oakshott, Mrs. Smith and helpers. The Rector (the Rev. F. Mitchell) preached an interesting sermon at the service and also presided at the meeting, when nine practising members and one non-resident member were elected. Ringing ranged from rounds and call changes to London and a course of Downe Minor.

Next meeting: Shoreham, July 23rd.

Ashford District

At the detached tower at Brookland on Romney Marsh said to be built from timber washed up in the 15th century, the Ashford District held a successful meeting on May 7th attended by 40 ringers. The Rev. Mr. O'Connor conducted the service and a sumptuous tea was arranged by Mr. G. Velvick. Evening ringing was at New Romney (8) but some visited "a collector's piece" at Fairfield (3).

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

Bell Repair Fund Inaugurated

THE hosts for the annual general meeting of the Lancashire Association, held at Westhoughton on April 30th, were the Bolton District and they carried out their duties splendidly—even the weather was kind, with glorious sunshine all day. There was plenty of good ringing available from 11 a.m. onwards, and eventually all converged on Westhoughton.

The new president (Canon A. Hodgson, of Goosnargh) preached at the service in St. Bartholomew's Church. In a "down to earth" address he reminded the congregation that they could not successfully separate the secular from the spiritual. All their activities, even a drink at the local, should be to the glory of God. He also implored the ringers present to remember the outside world when they rang peals.

About 150 sat down to tea and the president was in the chair for the annual meeting. In his opening remarks he referred to the passing of Mr. Peter Crook, who always extended the welcome when the Association came to the Bolton District. Good wishes were received from a former president, the Rev. F. F. Rigby, who is now Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Association.

NEW VICE-PRESIDENT

The newly-elected vice-president, Mr. Nicholas M. Newby, of Kirkby-in-Furness, who has been a member for 40 years, took his place. He succeeds Mr. C. Crossthwaite, who was given a really hearty "thank you" for his work. The general secretary, Mr. F. Reynolds, was returned unopposed, and the representatives to the Central Council are now Messrs. A. Capstick, C. Crossthwaite, J. P. Partington and F. Reynolds.

The various reports and the balance sheet, which showed assets of £770 4s. 2d., the excess of income over expenditure during the year being £118 10s 4d., were accepted without comment. The recommendation of the committee that a bell repair fund be started was also accepted. Arrangements have been made for an annual dinner to be held at the Victoria and Station Hotel, Preston, on October 29th.

POINTS FROM THE REPORTS

The general secretary's report gave the following losses by death: Mrs. A. Hague (Blackpool), Joseph Jackson (Bispham), James Marsh (Aughton), Thomas Metcalfe (Dalton), Harry Partington (Heywood), Canon Rimmer (formerly of Ulveston) and Thomas Sayer (Ribchester). Thanks were expressed to the Branch secretaries for their sterling work, and particularly encouraging was the increase in activity in the Lancaster Branch.

The Ringing Master (Mr. J. P. Partington) stated that 164 peals (12 on handbells) were rung during 1965, consisting of Maximus 7, Cinques 4, Royal 8, Caters 11, Major 71, Triples 19, Minor 29 and Doubles 3. Two-hundred-and-six resident members (22.3 per cent.) took part and 37 rang their first peal. Leading conductors were Derek Butterworth 26, Cyril Crossthwaite 17, and leading peal ringers Derek Butterworth 51, Cyril Crossthwaite, P. J. Crossthwaite 43, Tudor P. Edwards, Margaret E. Fort, Jeffrey Kershaw, Richard S. Starkie 28.

An unusual feature was the ringing of the first peals on the bells at two churches. At Liverpool Cathedral a peal of Grandsire Cinques was rung in January and a peal of Maximus in November. The other church was St. Mark's, Preston, where the bells were installed in 1874. Two long lengths were rung—both of Yorkshire Surprise, at Accrington—the 17,248 being the longest peal yet rung for the Association.

Proceedings concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to all concerned in the success of the meeting. Several towers were open and ringing was carried on until quite late. Altogether a very enjoyable meeting.

The Rector of Market Deeping (the Rev. David E. Davies), in a letter thanking those who rang at his church for the Parish Flower Festival, states: "We always welcome visiting teams and are most pleased to offer them any facilities."

CANON THURLOW AT ROUGHAM (SUFFOLK)

REHALLOWING

THERE was hardly a vacant seat in the spacious Church of St. Mary, Rougham, near Bury St. Edmunds, on May 14th at the rehallowing of the bells after overhaul by Messrs. Taylor of Loughborough.

The Vicar, the Rev. J. E. Jarrold, has been at Rougham but a few years and in that time has been active in getting general repairs and renovations carried out. It is such a parish as Rougham where these things might easily slip behind because the church is large and the parish scattered; in fact the only buildings near the church are the rectory, the school and two cottages, the main centres of habitation being well away.

GROUND FLOOR RING

The six bells have been put back in the same frame, which was put in by George Day and Sons, Eye, Suffolk, in 1895. All have been retuned, the pre-Reformation bell (4th) one-eighth turned and fitted with a new cast iron canon-retaining headstock at a cost of around £700. The actual hanging was done by Arthur Fidler. Local builders have put in almost a new floor under the bells and new trap doors.

Ringing is from the ground floor so it is a long draught, as the tower is large and tall as if it should have eight bells! While the bells were at the foundry Mr. John P. Fidler was televised with them and quite a lengthy film was later broadcast by the B.B.C.

Described by partakers as "marvellous," tea was provided at the nearby school, then came some handbell ringing and the service. Leslie Wright, lately District chairman and now District Ringing Master, and Richard Rose, former District Ringing Master, met everyone at the door. The service was of familiar pattern and the lesson was read by George Pipe, Guild Ringing Master.

For the actual rehallowing, Mr. Wright handed a rope to Captain David Armstrong, one of the churchwardens, who handed it to Canon Gilbert Thurlow, and he, after prayer, handed it to the Rector. Then a course of Plain Bob Minor was very nicely rung by the church's ringers. The address was given by Canon Thurlow and appears on the front page of this issue.

EASY TO RING

At the end of the service an extent of Grandsire Doubles was rung, then hands of ringers from far and wide followed in quick succession to try the bells out. Mr. Wright being in charge. Canon Thurlow took a rope for a touch and afterwards expressed his pleasure at the way his bell behaved. Other ringers, too, remarked on the ease of ringing. It was good to see Andrew Beckwith, the general secretary of the Suffolk Guild, back again with rope in hand after his spell in hospital.

Inside and outside the church the bells sounded well, echoing the description of Rougham's then five bells as given in White's "Suffolk" of 1883—"sweet-toned."

Though all concerned have done so well to get done what has been done and are to be highly congratulated, the general appearance of the church and its surroundings, and the sound of its bells, just beg for two more trebles—it is a real set-up for an octave. Perhaps we shall see this one day—let's hope it will not be very long. The active band of ringers deserve it.

CLAUDE RUSH

The Holme Hale and Necton band of ringers on Monday, May 16th, rang a quarter peal of Bob Doubles, half-muffled, as a tribute to the late Rev. L. G. Dennis, for seven years Rector of the combined parishes of Necton and Holme Hale. Mr. Dennis had always been most helpful to both local and visiting ringers.

THE RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD

Presentation of President's Badge

THE tenth annual meeting of the Guild was held at Newcastle on Tyne on May 7th and, considering the distance members had to travel, the attendance was good. All regions were represented. The ringing programme was very well organised and the ringing was up to standard.

During the business meeting, held in the Cathedral library, Mr. S. G. Martin, secretary of the Joint Committee, British Railways Staff Association, presented the Master's badge of office. This is in the form of a pendant, with a gold finish, and suspended from a ribbon collar. Mr. Martin, referring to the Joint Committee's unanimous agreement to this gift, mentioned the committee's new approach to the various activities within the Association, and also that more help for the cultural side of the members was being anticipated.

Members stood in silence as a tribute to the late Mr. W. Hollands.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. F. Hodgson, of Darlington, was elected Master of the Guild, and Mr. J. A. Hoare re-elected secretary and treasurer; Mr. J. E. Brough and Mr. F. R. Morton were re-elected auditors. Regional Masters elected: London Midland, Mr. S. Foskett, Nottingham; Western, Mr. W. B. Kynaston, Swindon; North Eastern, Mr. B. Sutton, York; Southern, Mr. C. A. Bassett, Wadhurst; Eastern, Mr. F. A. Staveley, Doncaster.

It was agreed that the elected Master of the Guild should take on the office after the general meeting. The proposal that the office be held for two years was lost.

As the Guild accepted the rules of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers, in full, it was proposed that the hon. secretary should apply for affiliation to the Council.

The Guild will visit Reading for the 1967 annual general meeting some time in April or May, and Brighton for the autumn meeting. Six new members were elected.

Mr. Martin was asked at the next Joint Committee meeting to express the thanks of all members for the generous gift of a badge to the Guild. J. A. H.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION

The South Western District's meeting at Havering-atte-Bower on Cup Final day was part of the programme for the floral weekend. Ringing aspirations finished about 4 p.m. when the clapper of the fifth crashed. It was a case of retiring to the village green and ringing handbells and listening on the transistor to Wembley. Permission to visit the difficult five at Navestock was obtained. Technical men found that the tenor here might easily part company with the wheel. For those wishing to try their strength it was rounds on 1, 2 and 4.

Minimus with the tenor covering was rung for the service at Havering. This was combined with a musical evening. There were the Barkingside/Walthamstow handbell band and a local guitar group. Dennis Ellison gave an introductory talk on Grandsire before his hand reeled off two courses of Triples. There was soup and rolls in the Village Hall before taking leave of our very kind hosts. writes our correspondent.

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people to work together. Whenever anybody shows any interest in ringing here remember my three quotes today—"Over to you," "Now we face the future," "As my Father sent me so I send you."

Don't let people groan about "how wonderful things used to be and how sad they are today." Today, like yesterday and tomorrow, sees a great mingling of good bad and indifferent. See that you treasure the good and hand it on, in training ringers, in interesting people, in ringing, in the bells, in the church of which they are part; above all, remember we are on the side of God, the power which sustains the universe, our Father, who sent us to do these things.

Letters to the Editor

C.C.C. ADVOCATE CENTRAL RESTORATION FUND

Dear Sir,—I am sorry to hear that the Standing Committee of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers thinks that Mr. Knight's suggestion of a central fund for bell restoration presents too many administrative difficulties to be practical. I find it difficult to believe that ringers would be so jealous and so parochially minded as to make such a fund impossible. I fully appreciate the difficulties which Mr. Barnett has found with the Kent repair fund; but I wonder whether some of these have sprung from the very fact that this is a local affair and would be diminished rather than increased if it were organised on a national level. Obviously any repair fund must face the sometimes invidious task of deciding between the relative claims of different parishes; but the experience, for instance, of the Historic Churches Preservation Trust would seem to show that it is a good deal easier for a central committee of national standing and prestige to weigh the various claims objectively than it is for a local committee, which is inevitably more subject to local pressures and suspicions.

This is a matter of some urgency. In the past, bell ringers have been able to take it for granted that the very expensive equipment of their craft would be provided without cost to themselves; and parishes have been able and willing to do this in return for the benefit they have received. They are still willing; but they are becoming less and less able, for they are hard put to provide the necessities of worship, and are having to forgo luxuries, however desirable. The continued popularity of bell-ringing is evidence of the great pleasure it gives to those who practise it; and I am sure that they would be willing to make some such small contribution as Mr. Knight suggests to ensure its continuance.—Yours faithfully,

JUDITH G. SCOTT,

Secretary,

The Council for the Care of Churches

SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD'S RAILWAY

Dear Sir,—In his interesting account of Sir Arthur Heywood on April 22nd Mr. E. C. Shepherd refers to his well-known 15in. gauge light railway at Duffield Bank and the number of visitors it attracted during and after its construction. Among these were the Duke of Westminster and his agent, who wanted a more convenient means of transporting coal, building materials, etc., from the railway station to Eaton Hall some two or three miles away. After much persuasion Sir Arthur agreed to construct a similar line for them.

In the late 1920's or early 1930's I read this in one of my son's "Meccano Magazines," which gave a long and interesting description (almost a specification) of the Eaton Hall line and the two engines (one of which was named "Katie"), also the ingenious methods Sir Arthur employed in laying the track, which had to cross several streams and three roads.

When the Central Council met at Chester in 1925 many members visited Eaton Hall and were given trips on the line by the late Mr. H. W. Wilde.

Unfortunately the Eaton Hall Light Railway no longer exists and I saw in (I think) "Country Life" a few years ago that "Katie" and her sister were acquired by the Raven-glass and Eskdale Light Railway.—Yours sincerely,

E. BARNETT.

10, King's Close, Crayford.

ST. PHILIP'S CATHEDRAL IS AMONG THE 500-PEAL TOWERS

Dear Sir,—I notice on page 325 that the "500th peal at St. Mary's, Willesden, was recorded in December and this number was only exceeded by the towers at Crayford, Erith and Loughborough Bell Foundry." May I be allowed to correct this statement? Well over 500 peals have been rung in the tower of Birmingham Cathedral. In fact Mr. George E. Fearn has recently recorded his 500th peal in this tower and he has by no means stood in all that have been rung there.

I believe the first recorded peal at St. Philip's is the first one in the peal books belonging to St. Martin's Guild. This was a peal of 5,040 Bob Major, rung on Monday, September 16th, 1755, by the Society of St. Martin's Youths in 3 hours and 57 minutes.

The band stood as follows: John Thompson 1, Joseph Thompson 2, William Thompson 3, John Archer 4, Abraham Fletcher 5, Samuel Brooke 6, Humphrey Peck 7, Andrew Peak, William Smith, 8

A fair number of peals were recorded at St. Philip's between this peal and the commencement of Mr. Fearn's 500. in the tower.—Yours faithfully,

A. M. REAY.

Northfield, Birmingham.

EXPERIMENT WITH YORKSHIRE

Dear Sir,—I was interested in Mr. Humphrey's experiments with Yorkshire in his letter to "The Ringing World," May 13th, page 308, but unfortunately the first peal is false. It contains the courses with course heads 53246 and 36542, which because of the f.c.h.'s 36254 and 42653 are false with each other in two places, the 2nd and 3rd leads.

I should be interested to know if the other peal has been checked and, if so, how it was done, because it seems to me that the number of f.c.h.'s with the tenors parted must be very large. I was pleased to see that Mr. Humphrey has since published a true peal of Yorkshire containing 100 roll-ups.—Yours sincerely,

TIMOTHY G. PETT.

London, W.C.

STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY

The Stafford Archdeaconry Society propose to increase its annual subscription to 4s. for those over 18. The entrance fee will remain at 4s. 6d. for the first year. Those under 18 will pay 3s. per annum.

This was announced by the hon. secretary at the meeting in the unspoilt village of Church Eaton on May 7th. The striking competition will be 240 changes in any method for the six-bell test, and 224 in any method, odd- or even-bell, for eight-bell teams. The six-bell test will be at Trysull on June 11th, and the annual general meeting at Lichfield on June 18th.

Eight new members from Bushbury, seven from Stretton, near Burton-on-Trent, and one from Codsall were elected. A welcome visitor was Mr. Richard C. Ingram, Master of St. Martin's Guild. Thanks were expressed to the Rector (the Rev. R. C. Corliss) for conducting the service, and Mrs. Corliss and her helpers for the tea enjoyed by a company of over 70.

OBITUARY

THE REV. BRIG. D. V. KENNEDY

The picturesque Cotswold village of Broadwell, near Stow-on-the-Wold, is mourning the loss of its popular Rector, the Rev. Brigadier D. V. Kennedy. Ordained in 1956, he served his title at Stow-on-the-Wold and in 1960 was appointed Rector of Broadwell. He was most popular as Rector and the Church of St. Paul saw several great improvements, notably the new heating installations and the restoration of the five bells in 1963, when they were rehung and retuned. He was an honorary member of the Stow-on-the-Wold Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association.

As a mark of respect and last tribute, the Stow-on-the-Wold Branch rang the bells half-muffled for Sunday morning service on March 15th. The following day a memorial service was held, which was followed by 720 Grand-sire Doubles rung with the bells half-muffled by G. R. Harper 1, L. C. Dowdeswell 2, V. W. Rigg 3, L. Joyes 4, A. Shillam (conductor) 5.

L. C. D.

Mr. D. H. BENNETT

The sudden death on May 1st of Mr. D. H. Bennett, captain of the Talgarth, Brecon, ringers for the past 15 years, was a great shock not only to his own tower but to the Swansea and Brecon Guild "Dai," as he was known to a wide circle of friends, was a founder of the Guild, which he represented on the Central Council from 1939 to 1950. He was secretary and treasurer of the Northern District and the last office he held was treasurer of the Guild.

At the funeral all Districts were represented, and the bearers were the Talgarth ringers. The bells were rung half-muffled by members from Swansea, Brecon, Glasbury and the Hereford Guild. A peal was rung on the Talgarth bells on Sunday, May 8th. J. A. H.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION St. Albans District

The St. Albans District held their meeting on May 21st in Kimpton, and during the afternoon methods up to London and Norwich were rung on the six bells. A short service followed, led by the Rev. K. Martin, and about 30 ringers sat down to tea in the hall.

New members elected at the business meeting were G. Pettit, N. Woodward and R. Read Radlett, Julian Duggan (St. Peter's, St. Albans) and N. Blamire-Brown (Tewin). The secretary reported the anonymous gift of a District peal book. A short list of rules governing these peals was approved. Miss Julia Fellows was nominated to write up the peals, and it would be helpful if conductors could confirm peals with her after they are rung.

The District's plan of practice meetings was discussed, the first meeting having already been held at South Myrms. Mr. Graham Sillis thanked the District on behalf of South Myrms and assured them it had certainly been a help to their band in particular. The next meeting is at Essendon on Tuesday, June 7th.

Under "Any other business" Mr. Geoff Dodds, the Central Council representative for the District, asked for opinions on how the District felt to the motions to be debated at the Central Council meeting. One surprising fact that came to light is that practically every member of the District took "The Ringing World" instead of the usual trend of one copy per tower. J. A. F.

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NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

Four of the local ringers were elected members when the Southern District met at South Lopham for the first time on May 7th. About 40 members and friends enjoyed ringing on the fine old six recently restored after many years of silence. Mr. A. Foreman was congratulated on his work in training a local band. It is largely due to him that these bells have been rung for a service every Sunday since their dedication last June.

The Rev. S. Collins, Rector of Bunwell, conducted the service as the Rector (the Rev. C. Beevers) had just returned from hospital. Mr. Nolan Golden (president) read the lesson.

Next meeting: Pulham St. Mary.

THE LADIES' GUILD

The Devon Branch at its meeting at Liskeard, Cornwall, on May 7th, decided that local members at future meetings should wear a name badge in order that visitors might know whom to ask for assistance.

Mrs. Boobier presided and the news was received with deep regret that Mr. Fernley Pearson (husband of Mrs. Christine Pearson, a local member) was killed in a road accident on Easter Saturday. A letter of sympathy and a wreath were sent.

Seven new members were elected. The October meeting will be at Exeter and not Bideford. Evening ringing was at Menheniot (6).

ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD

A warm welcome was received by the Guild from the Vicar (the Rev. W. G. Gibson) and ringers of St. Peter's, Sowerby, at its meeting on May 7th. The hill-top village resounded to the ringing of Stedman, Plain Bob, Cambridge and Woodbine, as did the church itself with the hearty singing at the service. The presence of Mr. Cyril Sutcliffe, a founder member of the Guild and previously a staunch ringer at St. Peter's, was noted with pleasure.

New members elected were Messrs. Michael Holmes and Alan Bennett (Kirkheaton) and Stephen Lumb (Sowerby). At Mr. Lord's invitation an extra meeting at Bradshaw was arranged and the Vicar of Kirkheaton gave invitations to his tower on May 21st and Whit Tuesday.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

A positive measure of the keenness and enthusiasm now prevailing in the Marlborough Branch was shown on May 21st, when the monthly meeting was held at Pewsey. Over 30 members attended, this being the largest gathering for some time. Ringing was under the direction of the Ringing Master (the Rev. R. Keeley) and the Guild service was conducted by the Rector (Canon E. S. Wakefield).

Tea was served by ladies of the parish, who were thanked by Mr. F. Read (vice-chairman). Ringing was resumed after tea in most of the standard methods W. A. E.

WITH ANGELA IN DERBYSHIRE



From left to right: Norman Wright, Jean Warner, Paul Treble, John Norris, Bernard Stone, Wendy Treble, Bernard North, Angela Newing, Ivor Pett, Stella Rice, Peter Newing and Ann Godfrey.

Headquarters for the 1966 Week, which started on April 16th, were at Matlock, but there had been ringing on the journey up at Sheepy Magna, Leics, and Burton-on-Trent. Sunday was a full day—8 a.m. Communion, Matins and lunch at Lichfield, where in the afternoon we joined the Cathedral band for service ringing, and Evensong at Matlock with service ringing.

Rain, sleet and snow made conditions unpleasant on Monday. Places visited were Eyam, where a hiker joined us for Grandire Doubles, Dore, Hope (first course of method of the week, Dronfield Surprise Major, rung here), Castleton, with its attractive lamps and homemade sallies, and Tideswell, the Cathedral of the Peak, covered with two inches of snow.

Duffield Major was rung at Duffield on Tuesday and the afternoon and evening spent in Derby, the day's ringing ending at the Cathedral practice. After ringing at Fairfield, Buxton, and Chapel-en-le-Frith on Wednesday, the day was free. Some climbed Kinderscout (2,088 feet) and others "bagged" Manchester Town Hall. The meritorious performance on Thursday was Bristol on the heavy eight at Youlgreave and there was good ringing at Wirksworth and Alton, Staffs.

Friday proved another wet day with ringing at Ashover and on the delightful six at Clay Cross, where we enjoyed good striking. The beautifully restored church at Bolsover and

joining the local practice at Chesterfield to ring a course of Cambridge Royal are other memories. Ilkeston and Loughborough Parish Church were Saturday's towers.

Among those who visited us during the week were Peter Small, Christine and Edward Mould, Judith Atkinson, Jane Blacker, Frances Fairbank and John Dodd. Our thanks go to Angela Newing and John Norris for arranging the tour, and local ringers and clergy for their welcome to Derbyshire.

S. G. R. and N. J. W.

St. David's Guild's Competition

Eight teams took part in the annual competition of St. David's Diocesan Guild at St. Florence, Pembs, on May 7th, when Mr. Frederick Sharpe was again the adjudicator. Each team had to raise the bells, ring 120 changes and lower in peal.

Mr. Sharpe thought the standard of ringing was not so good as in past years and the rise and fall were the undoing of most teams. He suggested that the competition might consist of method ringing if only to improve the standard of striking.

The competition was won by Llanelli assisted by two borrowed ringers (33 faults); St. Florence, who had been ringing less than two years, were second (35 faults); and Tenby (40) third. Pembroke entered two teams and also Cardigan and there was a "scratch" team.

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ST. LUKES (CHELSEA) TOUR

BY 10 p.m. on Saturday, April 16th, eleven ringers had converged on the Linden Hotel, Shrewsbury, our headquarters for the annual week's ringing tour, this year held in Shropshire.

On Sunday morning we joined the local ringers at St. Mary's and then St. Chad's. In the evening the time of service coincided so we split into two bands for ringing and rounded off the day by building up our strength in the Dun Cow, opposite the hotel.

The tour, organised by Miss Veronica Dupré and Mr. Michael Wycherley, was planned to cover the county and by 9.30 a.m. on Monday we were heading northwards through pouring rain to Prees (a pleasant easy-going six), where we were met by that old friend of "Ringing World" columns, E. V. Rodenhurst. It was still raining when we arrived at Whitchurch (a heavy-going eight, hung high up in a very tall tower). Those who rang the 7th here suffered a gale-force breeze coming through the now empty shaft for the flag-pole. After lunch we moved on to Ellesmere (a peculiar sounding eight) and finally to Oswestry (the best eight of the day).

Tuesday was another cold, wet day but, nothing deterred, we set off for Conover, which has one of only two complete octaves in the county by Briant of Hertford. The cross-country run to Westbury proved the downfall of one car load, which returned to Shrewsbury to point itself in the right direction. However, once assembled in the warm belfry, we rang for about half an hour. Worthen was the next tower (a light six), and finally Berriew, Montgomeryshire, our only ring in Wales. The fast, light eight were much enjoyed and it is interesting to note that the local ringers number about 30, which for such a small place is remarkable.

MOMENTOUS LUNCH

The weather changed to snow on Wednesday. Coalbrookdale (the only other ten in the county) was the first stop, and here some of the Shrewsbury ringers joined us. Afterwards we found St. Leonard's, Bridgnorth; there is a beautiful eight here. Lunch proved to be momentous, not only from the gastro-nomic point of view, but also because "Jafus" was nearly captured by a sprightly local lady getting ready to celebrate her 80th birthday! We left them toasting each other in champagne and went to ring at St. Mary's. By now the weather had cleared up and we were able to enjoy the beautiful countryside on the way to Church Stretton (8) before returning home.

On Thursday, cheered by the sunshine, we headed for Clive. Here the magnificent, thundering Taylor six (254 cwt.) were raised singly, and a quarter of Bob Minor was lost. Stanton-on-Hine Heath bells (a light six recently rehung) were put to good use, however. After a splendid lunch in the village pub we carried on to Hodnet, with its easy going eight, and Market Drayton, where the bells go beautifully, though the sound has a habit of disappearing!

Rain set in on Friday morning as, after collecting "E.V.R." we moved south to Stanton Lacy. John Lott and Kathleen Baker joined us here, having journeyed up from London. Ludlow was the next stop, and though the climb (137 steps) is tough, the bells are worth it. They need ringing carefully, however, and we did not do justice to them. After lunch we moved on to Stoke-say (a light six which turn over slowly). Clun was our last tower and here we scored a quarter peal of Stedman Triples.

Backed by a large contingent of Shrewsbury ringers and the Stimsons from Leicestershire, we set off on Saturday for Atcham (a light ground-floor six which go well but have a long draught). Our next ring was on the eight at Wellington, and then we drove to Dawley (6), where we had lunch before ringing. On then to Madeley, which possesses a nice little eight which can be tapped along.

Our final ring of the tour was at Much Wenlock (a delightful eight). The last evening was most pleasantly spent in the company of the Shrewsbury ringers.

Methods rung on the tour included Grand-sire Doubles to Cinques, Plain Bob Minor to Royal, Kent T.B. Minor to Maximus, Oxford T.B. Minor and Major, Cambridge Minor and Major, Yorkshire and Superlative Major, St. Clement's, Double Court Minor and Double Norwich.

Our very grateful thanks are due to the clergy and the local ringers who met us and, above all, to the Shrewsbury ringers who entertained us most hospitably. M. R. W.

OUTINGS IN BRIEF

The finest bells experienced by 14 members from St. Mary's, Scarborough, and St. Lawrence's, Sculby, on their first outing of the year (April 23rd) were at Norton-juxta-Malton. Other towers visited were Kirby Moorside, Hovingham and Helmsley. A violent thunderstorm greeted the party at Scarborough.

Organised by Barrie Hendry, All Saints' Harpole, Northants, ringers spent a day in North Bucks on May 7th. Best ringing was at Linslade. The Norman architecture at Stewkley was much admired and the fine eight enjoyed. A few hair-raising moments occurred at Winslow through the ropes hitting the low beams.

The Axbridge Branch of the Bath and Wells Association had a most enjoyable day on May 7th at Dartmouth. The steamer was boarded at Totnes and Dartmouth was reached via the River Dart. Ringing was at St. Saviour's, St. Petrox's and St. Clement's, Dartmouth. High tea at Babbacombe preceded a journey along the coast to ring at St. Michael's, Teignmouth.

Nottingham University Society last term had an outing into Rutland. Included in towers visited was Uppingham, the home tower of "Bob," who organised the day. Thanks were accorded to the Rev. and Mrs. Woodward, who provided quantities of tea and biscuits for 13 thirsty ringers. Billesdon was an amusing lower with six ropes placed extremely close together and two more in other corners. Ringing also took place at Melton Mowbray (Leics), Oakham, Preston, Glaston, Ashby-Folville and Sibley.

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The peal of Minor in three methods at Great Addington on April 23rd was rung for the All Saints' Society, Great Addington, and not for the Peterborough Diocesan Guild.

In the peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major rung at Caversham on April 18th the ringers of the sixth and seventh were Anthony P. Foster and Robert A. Partridge respectively, and not as printed. Our correspondent apologises.

COWBRIDGE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

SIX members of the Cowbridge School Society went on this year's ringing tour of the Banbury area. These were Old Boy Ellis Thomas, now of the Cambridge University Guild, the present Ringing Master, Chris Ricketts; David ("Ken") Barrington; Robert MacPherson; Paul Morgan and myself. We were joined by two guests, Miss Susan Harber, of Howell's School, Llandaff and Llandaff Cathedral, and Miss Catharine Havard, of Penarth County Grammar School and Sully. Last year we wanted to call ourselves Cowbridge "Grabber" School, but this year it seemed that "Glamour" might be better! We hired a self-drive minibus and, on Tuesday, April 12th, set out for Sulgrave, Northants, and the excellent Manor Guest House run by Mr. and Mrs. Argent there, our base for the tour.

On the way up we rang at two towers, Brockworth, near Gloucester (6, 13 cwt.), and Bourton-on-the Water (8, 12½ cwt.). At the latter, with local ringer Mr. Phillips standing in, we managed Grand-sire Triples successfully. One of the high spots of the tour came that evening, when we joined the flourishing local band at Adderbury for practice night. Here the beautiful church and tower have a glorious ring of bells (8, 24 cwt.) well worthy of their setting. We were most kindly welcomed and took part in the rise, in call changes, in Yorkshire Major, Stedman and Grand-sire Triples. Plain and Little Bob Major and in the fall.

After Adderbury we almost thought that the rest of the tour would be an anti-climax, but this was not so. On each of the next two days we had eight towers, all good bells, some really excellent, some a test of our handling capabilities. At all the towers we began and ended with a rise and fall in peal. The methods we rang were: Doubles—Stedman, Plain Bob, Grand-sire, Reverse Canterbury and St. Nicholas; Minor—Cambridge, Kent and Oxford and Plain Bob; and where we had local ringers standing, the methods referred to above plus Oxford Bob Triples, Grand-sire Caters and Plain Bob Royal.

The Society's second annual dinner was held that evening at a Banbury Chinese restaurant. (N.B., if you can handle a bell you can handle chopsticks.) Then on Friday, April 15th, we were, with regret, wending our homeward way. We had two towers—the first was Burford (8, 17½ cwt.) where, with local ringer Mr. W. J. Dixon, we did some of the best ringing of the tour on bells which, in the modern idiom, are "fab"; finally at Caldicot, Monmouthshire, the incumbent, the Rev. Roy Hallett, and two of his band joined us for ringing on the rather difficult but good eight (13 cwt.). The last fall of the tour, a good "catch in Queens," and it was all over for this year.

We sincerely thank all incumbents for granting us the use of their bells, and the local ringers who met us. We thank Chris Ricketts also for his splendid planning and organisation which made such a full programme viable.

IOLO DAVIES.

Frome Branch's Striking Competition

Participants in the first striking competition promoted by the Frome Branch, and held at Binegar by permission of the Rev. Martin Langley on May 14th, ranged in age from 12 to 85. Ten teams from six towers competed and eight considered it safer to keep the tenor in sixths place for the test piece, though the first team to perform did not realise that the tenor was wrong stroke until the second attempt had started. Considerable concentration by all teams resulted in 14 hours of good striking, after which an excellent tea was served in the village hall.

The judge, Mr. Albert Tyler, of Bristol, placed the top three teams as follows:—Frome "B" 21 faults, Chilcompton "A" 23, and Midsomer Norton 27. Proposing a vote of thanks, Mr. G. Massey especially mentioned the competition committee, Mr. Ron Beck and Mrs. Horseman, who assisted Mr. Max Heymann in making the day a memorable one for the Branch. All present felt that this successful function should be repeated next year. D. T. H. R.

QUARTER PEALS

ADDINGTON, SURREY.—On May 14th, 1,440 Surprise Minor (Beverley, Surfleet): B. J. Bull (150th quarter) 1, Alison M. Mann 2, W. H. Jackson 3, E. Godfrey 4, N. G. Steere 5, C. F. Mew (cond.) 6. Also on May 15th, 1,296 Surprise Minor (Primrose and Cambridge): Amanda Powell, first of two Surprise.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.—On May 8th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. M. V. Chilcott 1, Mrs. J. Chilcott 2, Mrs. D. E. Parsons 3, Mrs. R. I. Parsons 4, M. V. Chilcott 5, J. Chilcott 6, D. E. Parsons (cond.) 7, R. I. Parsons 8.

BEDFORD.—At St. Paul's Church, on May 1st, 1,280 Bristol Surprise Major: Avril Ivin 1, Linda Ellison (first in method) 2, Kathleen Rivett 3, R. J. Sharp 4, R. Churchill 5, K. H. Fleming 6, B. North 7, S. Ivin (cond.) 8. Rung with the best wishes to Colin and Jean Payne, on the birth of a son (Brian Michael).

BERROW, SOMERSET.—On April 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. P. Horsey (first quarter) 1, S. Lewis 2, P. Horsey (first of Minor, first of Plain Bob) 3, B. G. Williams 4, R. J. Ballam 5, P. J. Hall (cond.) 6. To mark the birth of Stephen Michael, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael V. White.

BOLTON, LANCs.—On May 18th, at All Souls' Church, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. M. Kenyon 1, J. F. Wood 2, J. W. Kay 3, W. Johnson 4, R. Parkinson 5, A. Critchley 6, C. Brownlow (cond.) 7, C. A. Moss 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam E. B. Webster.

BROOMFIELD, ESSEX.—On April 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Helen E. Gilbert 1, Linda M. Groves 2, Rosemarie A. Frith 3, B. G. Brinkley 4, P. J. Gibson 5, I. R. Panton (cond.) 6. Also 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Rosemary A. Frith (conductor). Both for the Festival of Church Treasure.

BUCKLEY, FLINTS.—On May 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Burdett 1, J. W. Griffiths (cond.) 2, D. E. Collins 3, M. H. Hodgkinson 4, R. J. Palmer 5, D. H. B. Millward 6, G. Parling 7, J. W. Bull 8.

CHARLWOOD, SURREY.—On May 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Diane Wickens 1, Penelope Raine 2, Carole Wickens 3, E. Brazier 4, I. Wickens (cond.) 5, G. Wickens 6.

CHURCH HANBOROUGH, OXON.—On May 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Angela J. Green (first quarter) 1, N. I. Bridges 2, A. E. Hicks 3, Hilary Osborne (first of Minor "inside") 4, D. Floyd (cond.) 5, J. F. List 6. For the 16th birthday of Angela Green.

CLAPHAM COMMON, OXON.—On May 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. H. Netherton 1, Rosemary J. Cotton (first "inside") 2, Sandra C. Thexton 3, P. Hatmill 4, B. J. Imber 6, J. R. Pratt (cond.) 7, T. Farmer 8. First of Minor by all except conductor. A 20th birthday compliment to Bernard Imber.

EAST ARDSLEY, YORKS.—On May 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Newbould 1, A. Holliday (first quarter) 2, Patricia Lockwood 3, C. Naylor 4, A. Clifton 5, I. North (cond.) 6.

ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK.—On Rogation Sunday, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Reeve 1, J. Yorke-Parker 2, W. Ivings 3, D. Reeve 4, N. Watson 5, J. Paul (cond.) 6, H. Ivinas cover.

FULHAM, LONDON.—On May 1st, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Sandra C. Thexton (first on ten bells) 1, Doreen A. Deverell 2, Mrs. G. G. Meyer 3, J. W. F. Rea 4, L. C. Way 5, A. J. Hampton 6, D. L. Cawley 7, J. Pladdys 8, C. M. Meyer (cond.) 9, J. A. G. Harvey 10. For Evensong.

GREASLEY, NOTTS.—On May 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Alison I. Walker (first quarter, age 12) 1, Helen M. Simpson (first "inside", age 13) 2, Caroline E. Tyler (age 15) 3, P. Mary Beach 4, D. J. Beach (cond.) 5, G. G. Knighton 6. For Evensong, and first birthday compliment to Jonathan D. Beach.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.—At the Cathedral, on May 15th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: Caroline Gibbs 1, G. W. Munday 2, Hilda Oatway 3, Sally Parrott 4, T. Skelton 5, F. A. Munday 6, R. Fentiman 7, R. D. Mills 8, W. F. Oatway (cond.) 9, P. Munday 10. First of Caters 1 and 5. Also on May 17th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: P. Sherwood 1, R. Green 2, Carolyn White 3, Diane Street 4, Janet Cleeve 5, K. Williamson 6, D. Tubbs 7, P. Smart 8, D. Blows (first of Caters as cond.) 9, J. Collier 10. First of Caters 2 and 5. For the dedication of the North Garth and library.

HARBORNE, BIRMINGHAM.—On May 15th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. A. Alnsworth 1, Miss R. C. Russell 2, Mrs. M. P. Barron 3, S. W. Barron 4, C. A. Barron (cond.) 5, E. Spence 6, J. N. Linton 7, T. Russell 8. For Evensong, and the birthday of Molly Barron.

HASLEMERE, SURREY.—On May 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. G. Venton 1, F. Bowden (cond.) 2, Rosemary Weal 3, Mrs. K. E. E. Bowden 4, J. H. Payton 5, T. Phillips 6, T. J. Wellen 7, R. G. Burford 8. First Triples 3 and 7. For Ascension Day Choral Evensong.

HEVER, KENT.—On May 15th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Miss C. Cheseaman 1, R. Everest 2, P. Everest 3, H. Butcher 4, R. Hayes (cond.) 5, R. Collins (first quarter) 6. For joint four parish Evensong.

HIGHCLERE, HANTS.—On May 15th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: W. Kewell 1, R. Crocker (first quarter) 2, P. Furniss 3, P. Taylor 4, G. K. Dodd (cond.) 5, F. Kewell 6.

HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.—On May 8th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: F. V. Gant 1, C. E. Wright 2, J. Fowler 3, S. Penfold 4, C. Pain 5, J. McDonald 6, J. W. Stephenson 7, P. Over 8. For Matins.

KINGSTON-UPON-HULL, YORKS.—On May 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (on back six): P. Church 1, F. Reed 2, H. Falkner 3, A. Bridges 4, H. Pickering 5, D. Stipetic 6. Rung on the 10th anniversary of the death of George F. Williams, Ringing Master of Holy Trinity for 35 years.

ILTON, SOMERSET.—On Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: S. Welch 1, R. Dean 2, A. Drayton 3, C. Gratton 4, A. Rowsell (cond.) 5, B. Burns (first quarter) 6. For Easter Sunday service, and the completion of the Bell Fund.

KIRK ELLA, E. YORKS.—On May 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Hawshaw 1, G. K. Smith 2, C. Holmes (first in method) 3, K. Kirk (cond.) 4, A. B. Cooper 5, M. J. Wilson 6. For Evensong.

LECHLADE, GLOS.—On May 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Powell 1, G. Millsom 2, H. Evans (cond.) 3, H. R. Hayden 4, R. W. P. Kirby 5, J. Ryman 6. Rung for Evensong, to welcome the Bishop of Reading and to mark the last occasion on which the bells were rung before removal for retuning.

LYMPNE, KENT.—On May 15th, 1,260 Doubles (two methods): Judith Brooks (first quarter) 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, R. A. Birch (first as cond.) 3, H. P. Yates 4, R. P. Brotherton 5, R. Gemmell 6. For Evensong.

RATBY, LEICS.—On May 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): A. Root 1, G. Hurd 2, G. Taylor 3, H. Spencer 4, P. R. Blackman (cond.) 5, R. Taylor 6, G. Barnes 7, G. Root 8.

READING, BERKS.—At St. Laurence's Church, on May 13th, 1,584 Lindum Surprise Maximus: A. Diserens 1, Marilyn C. Smith 2, N. J. Diserens (cond.) 3, J. Manley 4, J. N. Diserens 5, F. R. Scott 6, M. Ingram 7, F. W. Lewis 8, J. H. Ward 9, D. P. Hilling 10, R. C. Kippin 11, C. H. Kippin 12.

REDRUTH, CORNWALL.—On May 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering): D. Martin 1, P. R. C. Williams 2, S. Seymour 3, S. R. Curnow 4, E. H. Langley 5, R. Hart 6, A. J. Davidson (cond.) 7, P. R. White 8. First for 6 and 8. In honour of the 40th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Seymour.

ST. MARY BOURNE, HANTS.—On April 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Taylor 1, M. Green (first "inside") 2, B. J. Hodgson 3, B. Oakes 4, A. Green (first as cond.) 5, B. Doe 6. First quarter 1, 3, 4 and 6. Also on May 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Taylor 1, P. Furniss 2, A. Green (cond.) 3, B. Oakes 4, F. Rich (first quarter) 5, B. Doe 6.

SCARBOROUGH, YORKS.—On May 9th, in the belfry of St. Mary's Church, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: M. J. Pickup 1—2, C. J. Easton 3—4, S. Wright (first as cond.) 5—6. First quarter "in hand" for all.

SMARDEN, KENT.—On May 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Monica Phillips 1, Rachel Saggas (first "inside") 2, Sylvia Knight 3, E. Clifton 4, B. Johnson (cond.) 5, A. Bournier 6.

WEST BRIDGFORD, NOTTS.—On May 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Pat Dennett 1, Janet Thornton 2, W. Ratcliffe 3, J. Miller 4, P. Elce (cond.) 5, D. Crossland 6. For Confirmation service.

WESTMINSTER, LONDON.—At St. Margaret's, on May 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. Hughes 1, W. Rawlings 2, C. Ottley 3, J. Euston (cond.) 4, C. Kippin 5, M. Meyer 6, J. Phillips 7, D. Randall 8. Rung during H.M. the Queen's procession to welcome the President of Austria.

WORPLESDON, SURREY.—On May 12th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: R. Green (first in method) 1, Carolyn White 2, Janet E. Cleeve 3, G. K. Williamson 4, W. Saville 5, D. Blows 6, D. Tubbs (first in method as cond.) 7, J. Collier 8.

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BELFRY GOSSIP

Mr. Wilfred Williams has now rung a 12-bell peal in 60 different towers.

Mr. G. R. Parker is the new secretary of the Central Branch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild.

When Robert E. J. Dennis rang his 25th peal for the University of London Society on May 21st it was his 25th with Timothy Pett.

There was a strong Australian flavour about the North Myms outing as the party included Margaret Goodyer, Jennifer Murphy and Ron Russ until tea time.

St. Mary's bells, Lichfield, are not now considered safe for ringing and will not be available for the Archdeaconry of Stafford Society's annual general meeting on June 18th.

The quarter at Beddington on May 8th was an alliance between the Chilcotts and the Parsons. Each family supplied two brothers with their respective wives.

The Royal Society of Cumberland Youths have another jewel in their diadem of success—the first peal of eight-spliced rung silent and non-conducted.

Mr. J. Brannan writes that the long length of Bristol rung at Mottram on April 16th was incorrectly given as 5,088. It should have been 5,120, since the composition is an irregular three-part.

The seven male members in the peal at Bolsover on May 13th would like to congratulate the lone female ringing her first peal. Linda Shaw is very small in stature, but very big hearted, and rang perfectly.

Mr. Walter Ayre conducted the peal at Barton-on-Humber as a welcome to the daughter of Michael and Roseann Crowder. This peal makes the fifth generation of the Crowder family for which he has rung a peal.

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SHEBBEAR RINGERS VISIT LIVERPOOL

The first team from Shebbear College, North Devon, had a very successful week-end trip to Liverpool on April 29th-May 1st, the main objective being the Cathedral bells. On Sunday morning the party attended the Battle of the Atlantic Commemoration Service and in the afternoon ascended the belfry, where ringing and sightseeing proved quite an experience. Some had the privilege of ringing the 82 cwt. tenor and there was a detailed comparison between it and that of Exeter Cathedral. Three of the party joined in a course of Plain Bob Maximus.

On the Saturday there was ringing at Much Woolton, Knutsford (where a set of handbells was collected) and Wallasey. On the long trek home service ringing took place at Penrith, Shebbear being reached at 1 a.m.

This is a busy term for the Society, which now has 50 members. Numerous quarters and two peals are planned; an outing in the Torbay area on June 26th; a fete on July 21st; and other fund-raising activities to enable the much-overworked bells at St. Michael's, Shebbear, to be rehung within the next 12 months.

NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

At the annual general meeting of the Nottingham University Society on May 11th Mr. Paul L. Taylor was unanimously re-elected honorary president and also the three vice-presidents. The committee for 1966-67 session will be: Master and chairman, I. V. J. Smith; secretary, D. R. McLean; treasurer, Miss A. Harris; steeplekeeper, J. G. Hallett. It was afterwards realised that a precedent had been created in the Society's history, as the committee consists entirely of Sussex ringers.

It was decided that in future the annual dinner be held on the last Saturday in February.

"YORKSHIRE" AMBITION FULFILLED

Mrs. F. W. (Margaret) Goodyer, on holiday to see her parents in this country, will now be able to return to her home in Australia having fulfilled a ringing ambition, to ring a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major; this was accomplished at Harrow Weald. Although it was a "long awaited" peal, a broken rope and a broken clapper stopped her only two previous attempts.

TOWER CAPTAIN LEAVES

With much regret the ringers of Essendon, Herts. said goodbye to their tower captain, Mr. Fred Bamford. He was indeed a pillar of the Church, having been a ringer and chorister since 1923 and verger since 1941. He has now left for Cromer, Norfolk, and the whole District join in thanking him for years of devoted service and wishing him farewell.

UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY

At the annual general meeting held on May 17th the following officers were elected for 1966-67: Master, N. W. H. Simon; secretary, Miss P. Bligh-Cheesman; treasurer, M. A. Gilbey; tower secretary, M. G. R. Zobel.

All correspondence should be addressed to the officer concerned at: The Students' Union, Queen's Road, Clifton, Bristol 8.

NEW RECORD IN SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

A new record in Spliced Surprise Major was established at Stratton St. Margaret, Wilts, on May 21st with a peal in 64 methods, conducted by Anthony R. Peake. Mr. John R. Mayne was the umpire for this great performance and the whole of the ringing was recorded. Members of the band were Elisabeth A. G. Bowden 1, Edward R. Venn 2, Michael J. Hobbs 3, Brian Bladon 4, Anthony R. Peake 5, James R. Taylor 6, Victor Griffin 7, Peter Bridle 8.

GOOD NEWS FROM REDRUTH

For over 52 years Harold Seymour and his brother Stanley have been ringing regularly at St. Euny's Church, Redruth, Cornwall, and the 40th wedding anniversary of Harold and his wife was an occasion for ringing. A quarter of Grandsire Doubles was successfully accomplished by the Sunday service band with the addition of the conductor.

We hear that good progress is being made with method ringing at Redruth and it is not exceptional to have over 20 learners in the ringing chamber on practice nights.

VICAR STOOD GUARD WHILE FIRST PEAL PROGRESSED

The first peal on the bells of Mitcheldean, Glos. since their rehanging by John Taylor and Co. two years ago, was accomplished on May 14th. Prior to that the bells had been unringable for 25 years, the last peal being rung in the mid-30's.

So anxious was the Vicar (the Rev. E. W. P. Ainsworth) that the first attempt on the new bells should be a success that he "stood guard" in the churchyard throughout the ringing ready to receive any complaints from parishioners on the spot!

The Vicar has learned to ring in the last two years and the local captain was a member of the band. After the peal the band were very hospitably entertained at the Vicarage by Mr. Ainsworth.

TACKLING A SUFFOLK UNRINGABLE

Hadleigh Modern Secondary School gave a performance entitled "City and Countryside" on May 14th in aid of the restoration of Kersey, Suffolk, bells. About £2,000 is required to restore these bells, which are a six with a tenor of 14 cwt. and are classified in "Dove's" as unringable. Previous to the school's effort £400 had been raised. The village is holding another festival.

"THE TUNING UP"

Writing to express appreciation of Bernard Groves' handling of the 32 cwt. tenor to London Major at All Saints', Maidstone (not 22 cwt. as given on page 331), Mr. W. A. Riddington writes: "What better way could there be for getting 'tuned up' for one's wedding on July 23rd."

Will the Peals Analysis Committee and the Surrey Association kindly note that no peal was rung at Immanuel Church, Streatham, on May 8th, as reported on page 347.

CONGRESS OF CARILLONNEURS

About 20 carillonneurs were reunited in Blois on May 4th and 5th for their first congress since 1956. They were of several nationalities—French, Dutch, Belgian, with three delegates from the U.S.A., including Professor Percival Price, of Michigan University.

Blois was chosen for its central position on the Loire, and for its Basilica of Notre Dame de la Trinité, with a fine carillon of 48 bells. This church dates from the end of the last war (consecrated in 1949) and the carillon is said to be one of the finest in Europe, an achievement of the Paccard foundry of Annecy (Haute-Savoie). In the 50-metre high tower there are 44 fixed bells, tuned chromatically, plus the four bourdons (heaviest 5,600 kilograms), which are swung electrically for services. Monsieur Delapierre, the carillonneur, gives concerts every Sunday between April and November.

Welcomed by local dignitaries, and very comfortably lodged in the local hostel, these carillonneurs met to discuss their own particular problems with regard to their form of the campanological art—casting and tuning, differences in keyboard, etc. In addition, there were four concerts, given by carillonneurs from Paris, Dunkirk, Dijon, Pontmain, Seclin, Amsterdam and Malines (Belgium), which included sacred music, local compositions and works of Beethoven, Bach, Dvorak, Schumann and Grieg.

As one who had formerly known only the milieu of change ringing, I found it a wonderful experience to widen my horizons in this way, and to find that the ringing world is much larger than we in Britain tend to think. Also, it was very gratifying to see how much these people already know about our way of ringing bells, and they were very interested to learn more about it with the aid of my tape recordings.

N. A. C.

ANOTHER YORKSHIRE TUNE-RINGING SCHOOL

Another Yorkshire school to take up tune ringing is Hunsford Secondary Modern School, Chapelton, near Sheffield, who are using the old set of about 50 bells belonging to adjacent Ecclesfield Grammar School. Their team of five girls and five boys practise twice weekly, the tunes being written out in a number and letter system.

Their first public performance was last December, but recently they have been very active providing musical interludes between school plays on May 6th and 7th and again at the official opening of the school on May 14th, despite the absence of three members at Wembley.

LIKE FATHER

Another young ringer to find his way into the quarter peal columns is Keith Scudamore, aged 10 years, the son of P.-Sgt. W. F. Scudamore, of Cirencester, where he is a regular Sunday service ringer. He first learned to handle a bell at Lydney at the age of eight, and is now found trying his hand in methods up to Caters. His first quarter was in Doubles on Easter Sunday, and he has now set his sights on a peal before his 11th birthday.

TOWER BELL PEALS

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

NOTTINGHAM, Notts.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., May 14, 1966, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5289 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. 27 lb.

Andrew N. Stubbs Treble	David J. Purnell 7
Alan F. Thirst 2	George E. Thoday 8
Peter Border 3	*Christopher H. Rogers .. 9
John Freeman 4	Alan R. Patterson 10
William A. Theobald .. 5	John S. Mason 11
Antony R. Kench 6	Wilfred Williams Tenor

Composed by John Carter.

Conducted by Wilfred Williams

* 100th peal. First peal of Maximus on the bells. The conductor has now rung a 12-bell peal in 60 different towers

DAVENTRY, Northants.—At the Church of the Holy Cross.

On Sun., May 15, 1966, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PUDSEY SURPRISE ROYAL

Wilfred Williams Treble	Antony R. Kench 6
William A. Theobald .. 2	*Christopher H. Rogers .. 7
Alan F. Thirst 3	Alan R. Patterson 8
Andrew N. Stubbs 4	George E. Thoday 9
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. 5	David P. Hilling Tenor

Composed by G. Lindoff.

Conducted by Wilfred Williams

* First peal in the method.

Tenor 18½ cwt

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

EAST HARTREE, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Laurence

On Sat., May 14, 1966, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In four methods/variations being five extents of Plain Bob, seven of Dedworth, 10 of Rev. St. Bartholomew and 20 of Grandsire

Tenor 15 cwt. in E.

John H. Thompson .. Treble	Robin L. Coles 4
Shirley A. Cox 2	Ian P. Cox 5
Alan F. Lee 3	Michael J. Hawkins .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan F. Lee.

First peal on the bells since April, 1930.

LONG SUTTON Somerset.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity

On Thurs., May 19, 1966, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents.

Tenor 17 cwt 1 qr 22 lb

Trevor E. Marks Treble	Derek S. Beaufoy 4
Gilbert W. Rendell .. 2	Rev. C. J. B. Marshall .. 5
Frederick G. Sandy .. 3	Trevor A. Cross Tenor

Conducted by Trevor A. Cross.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

OLD WARDEN Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Leonard

On Thurs., May 12, 1966, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being an extent each of St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., Cambridge, Plain Bob and Single Oxford.

*Jill K. Orme Treble	Martin Major 4
Alan S. Smith 2	Bernard G. North 5
Anthony H. Smith .. 3	C. Michael Orme Tenor

Conducted by Anthony H. Smith

* First peal.

Tenor 9 cwt. 22 lb. in G

THE BRISTOL SOCIETY.

FILTON, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., May 14, 1966, in 2 Hours and 13 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Seven different extents.

Tenor 6 cwt. 22 lb. in B flat

Henry Taysom Treble	Richard W. Sweet 4
*David C. Haslam 2	Andrew Howard 5
Gillian M. Hussey .. 3	D. John Hunt Tenor

Conducted by D. John Hunt.

* First peal.

DYRHAM, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Peter

On Mon., May 16, 1966, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 13 cwt.

Gillian M. Hussey .. Treble	Richard W. Sweet 4
*Trevor Newlands .. 2	†David Rennolds 5
†Linda Slade 3	D. John Hunt Tenor

Conducted by David Rennolds

* First peal on six bells and "inside." † First of Minor.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire.—At Christ Church.

On Sat., May 7, 1966, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr 23 lb.

Derek Yates Treble	John Booth 6
John E. Bibby 2	C. Kenneth Lewis 7
John Worth 3	Edward Jenkins 8
Harold C. Lonyon .. 4	Basil Jones 9
John R. Bibby 5	Robert B. Smith Tenor

Composed by William Pye.

Conducted by John Worth.

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

On Sat., May 21, 1966, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt 3 qr. 11 lb

*Leon A. Perry Treble	John E. Brough 5
*Geoffrey A. Edwards .. 2	*John R. Scott 6
Frederick S. Sutton .. 3	Gerald Parsons 7
*Terence E. Trickett .. 4	Frank R. Morton Tenor

Composed by W. Shipway.

Conducted by Frank R. Morton

* First peal of Major. First of Major as conductor

WISTASTON, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Mary

On Fri., May 20, 1966, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In nine methods, being five extents each of Reverse Canterbury, Clifford's Pleasure, Southrepps, Plain Bob Kennington, April Day, Grandsire, Reverse St. Bartholomew and two extents of Northrepps.

Tenor 6 cwt 6 lb in G.

*Gary Bickerton Treble	Frank R. Morton 4
James S. Baker 2	Terence E. Trickett .. 5
Frederick S. Sutton .. 3	Gordon K. Green Tenor

Conducted by Frank R. Morton.

* First peal.

Rung as a farewell to the Rector, Rev. W. S. Walker, on his leaving to take up the living of St. Barnabas, Bromborough

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD

ALLESLEY, Coventry.—At the Church of All Saints

On Tuesday, May 17, 1966, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 GLASGOW SURPRISE MAJOR

Sixth place bobs. Tenor 12 cwt in G.

*Clare F. Dolphin .. Treble	†L. Michael Callow .. 5
*Ian C. Maycock 2	†Hubert E. Ashley .. 6
†Edward Holdsworth .. 3	Ernest J. Gower 7
†Ian D. Thompson .. 4	Peter Border Tenor

27 course block reduced.

Conducted by Peter Border.

* First peal of Treble Bob Major. † First in the method.

SHILTON, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., May 14, 1966, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In 26 methods: (1) College Exercise Norbury Duke of Norfolk and Oakley T.B. (2) London Scholars' Pleasure Kingston, Sandal and Capel I.B. (3) College Bob I.V. Willesden, Old Oxford and Newdigate Delight. (4) St. Albans, Wragby Neasden and Charwood Delight. (5) York, Durham, Beverley and Surfleet Surprise. (6) St. Clement's, Childwall, Doubl Oxford and Thelwall Bob. (7) Single Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt 3 qr. 20 lb. in B flat.

F. Mark Robottom .. Treble	*Stephen F. Royal 4
Peter C. Randall 2	Robert W. Sherriff .. 5
Anthony J. Cox 3	Peter S. Bennett Tenor

Conducted by Peter S. Bennett

* 25th peal Most Minor methods to a peal for the Guild, on the bells and by all the band.

HONILEY, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.

On Fri., May 20, 1966, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in 11 methods variations, viz.: (1) Stedman (2-3) Wychbold, (4-5) Dedworth (6-9) Winchendon (10-13) St. Simon, (14-17) St. Martin (18-20) Grandsire (21-23) April Day (24-26) Clifford's Pleasure, (27-34) Rev. Canterbury Pleasure (35-42) Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr 4 lb in A.

E. Anthea M. Sparshott Treble	†Shirley E. Jones .. 3
*Paul S. Reading 2	Peter C. Randall 4

Conducted by Anthony J. Cox.

* First peal of Doubles † First of Doubles "inside." First as conductor.

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

BAKEWELL, Derbyshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat. April 23, 1966, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt 1 qr 16 lb in E

Barrie Bateman Treble	Alan G. Kirk 5
Gillian M. Fanshaw .. 2	Malcolm P. Phipps .. 6
Gladys Richardson .. 3	Alex Richardson 7
Timothy Wylie 4	Brian J. Woodruffe .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe

Rung for the 50th anniversary of the death of Sir Arthur P. Heywood.

BOLSOVER, Derbys.—At the Church of SS. Mary and Lawrence.

On Fri., May 13, 1966, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14½ cwt

Herbert T. Rooke .. Treble	Robert M. Chambers .. 5
Edward Mould 2	†David G. Barnes 6
*Linda D. Shaw 3	Harold Waestaffe .. 7
Dennis Cooper 4	Alan R. Keller Tenor

Composed by J. E. Burton

Conducted by Alan R. Keller.

* First peal first attempt † First peal "inside"

Rung on the eve of the wedding of Miss Diane Turner, a local ringer, and Mr. John Tranter.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

WALTHAM ABBEY, Essex.—At the Church of the Holy Cross and St. Lawrence

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 3 Hours and 37 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5037 GRANDSIRE CINQUES

Tenor 38 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb. in C

Donald E. Cobb Treble	John H. Crampson 7
Michael C. Austin 2	Frederick W. Ellis 8
*Ian L. Dear 3	Frank V. Gant 9
*Andrew J. Slade 4	Robert J. Chapman 10
Peter D. Chapman 5	Alfred J. House 11
Dennis Ellidson 6	Dennis A. Hewitt Tenor

Composed by Albert M. Tyler.

Conducted by Donald E. Cobb.

* First peal of Cinques.

Rung to mark the 906th anniversary of the consecration of the Abbey Church.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BRISTOL.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Redcliffe.

On Sat., May 14, 1966, in 4 Hours and 10 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 50 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in B.

Edward Jenkins Treble	David P. Hilling 7
Ronald F. Diserens 2	Ralph Edwards 8
Robert C. Kippin 3	Noel J. Diserens 9
Kenneth J. Hesketh 4	John H. Fielden 10
Tudor P. Edwards 5	Frederick Shallcross 11
John Manley 6	Rev. Roger O. Fry Tenor

Composed by F. Dench.

Conducted by Tudor P. Edwards.

MITCHELDEAN, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., May 14, 1966, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5044 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 6 lb.

George T. Cousins Treble	Allan A. Paton 5
Peter Clarkson 2	Leonard Edwards 6
Frances Fairbank 3	William F. Scudamore 7
*Peter Gould 4	Cyril A. Wratten Tenor

Composed by Frank Bennett.

Conducted by Cyril A. Wratten.

* First peal of Major. The first peal on the bells since their restoration in 1964.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

ASHTED, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Sat., May 21, 1966, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb. in F.

*Beryl Astridge Treble	A. Patrick Cannon 5
†D. Valerie Perrott 2	†Tony Skilton 6
†Caroline Gibbs 3	§Roy D. Mills 7
†Felicity Hamilton 4	*John L. Hayns Tenor

Composed by J. Carter.

Conducted by John L. Hayns.

* First peal. † First peal at first attempt. § First peal on eight bells, first "inside." § First of Bob Major. First as conductor 1,075th peal for ringer of fifth

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

KILNDOWN, Kent.—At Christ Church.

On Sun., April 17, 1966, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In six methods, comprising one extent each of Single Oxford, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford and two extents of Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in A.

Frank Pattenden Treble	Reginald E. Lambert 4
Jane Foster 2	Peter M. Wilkinson 5
Robert T. Lambert 3	S. Geoffrey Waters Tenor

Conducted by Peter M. Wilkinson.

Rung to celebrate the 125th anniversary of the church, dedicated at Easter, 1841; and as a compliment to the Rev. T. W. P. Johnson, B.A., on his 21 years in the parish.

HIGHAM, Kent.—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist.

On Sat., May 7, 1966, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents, viz.: (1) Chester, Munden, Alnwick and Newcastle, (2) London, Cuneastre and Wells, (3) Annable's London and Hull, (4) Northumberland and Carlisle, (5) Lightfoot and Wearmouth, (6) Cambridge, Norfolk, Keston, Ipswich and Primrose, (7) Hexham, Berwick, Beverley, Durham, York and Surfleet, with 102 changes of method.

Tenor 6 cwt.

Ian H. Oram Treble	*Tony Lewis 4
Mary S. Taylor 2	Ralph Bird 5
John Faircloth 3	Thomas Cullingworth Tenor

Conducted by Ralph Bird.

* First peal in 24 methods.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

FOXTON, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., May 14, 1966, in 3 Hours,

A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being four extents of Oxford T.B. and three of Kent T.B.

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb.

Robert Binley Treble	Edward Guy Slater 4
Dr Ron Adams 2	Raymond H. Martin 5
Judith K. Morris 3	Edward W. Martin Tenor

Conducted by Edward W. Martin.

First of Treble Bob Minor for all the band.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

BARTON-ON-HUMBER, Lincs.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Friday, May 13, 1966, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 2 lb.

Geoffrey Bromfield .. Treble	Jack Bray 5
*Pamela A. Gill 2	W. Arthur Crowder 6
Robert T. Harrison 3	Michael W. Crowder 7
Ronald Chafer 4	Walter Ayre Tenor

Composed by G. H. Cross.

Conducted by Walter Ayre.

* First peal on eight bells. First peal on the bells since restoration. A welcome to Deborah Ann, daughter of Michael and Roseann Crowder and granddaughter of W. Arthur Crowder. Also an 80th birthday compliment to the eldest sister of the conductor.

ERANT BROUGHTON, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Helen.

On Sat., May 7, 1966, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Double Court, Single Court, Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb.

Harry Barnes Treble	William H. Dale 4
Ronald S. Russell 2	*Frederick Derry 5
James H. Musson 3	James A. D. Woolford .. Tenor

Conducted by James H. Musson.

* 50th peal of Minor.

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

On Sat., May 14, 1966, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Double Court, Single Court, Single Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. in B flat.

Harry Barnes Treble	*Philip C. Pitchford .. 4
Ronald S. Russell 2	Frederick Derry 5
Walter Tomlinson 3	James A. Musson Tenor

Conducted by James H. Musson.

* 50th peal.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

LLANTRISANT, Glamorgan.—At the Church of SS. Illtyd,

Gwynno and Tyfodwg.

On Sat., May 14, 1966, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5184 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.

Susan Harber Treble	Robert MacPherson 5
John Alexander 2	James Clatworthy 6
Iolo Davies 3	James Barrington 7
*Paul Morgan 4	Christopher Ricketts Tenor

Composed by J. M. H. Hunter

Conducted by Christopher Ricketts.

* First peal on eight bells.

Rung in remembrance of Robert E. Coles.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.

HACKNEY, E.—At the Church of St. John-at-Hackney.

On Sat., May 14, 1966, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 DORCHESTER SURPRISE MAJOR

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

Pitts'ows Treble	Timothy G. Pett 5
Robert E. J. Dennis 2	Roger D. Bailey 6
Diana M. Frost 3	Richard O. Humphries .. 7
Anthony H. Smith 4	Alan J. Frost Tenor

Conducted by Anthony H. Smith.

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

On Sat., May 21, 1966, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's 12-part. Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.

Roger D. Bailey Treble	Gerald W. Reynolds 5
*Robin R. Churchill 2	Marcus P. Barton 6
Robert E. J. Dennis 3	Richard O. Humphries .. 7
Timothy G. Pett 4	David L. Cawley Tenor

Conducted by Richard O. Humphries.

* First peal of Grandsire Triples.

Rung as a compliment to John Porter and Dorothy Beech, who were married at Ewerby, Lincolnshire, this day.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Thurs., May 12, 1966, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5120 OAKINGTON SURPRISE MAJOR

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

Claudia A. Critchley .. Treble	Dennis Knox 5
Joan Beresford 2	G. William Critchley .. 6
Thomas J. Lock 3	Robert C. Kippin 7
Alick Cutler 4	John R. Mayne Tenor

Composed by Dennis Knox.

Conducted by John R. Mayne.

The first peal in the method.

HARROW WEALD, Middlesex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., May 13, 1966, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

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

Elsie K. Hart Treble	H. George Hart 5
*Margaret E. Goodyer .. 2	G. William Critchley .. 6
Claudia A. Critchley .. 3	John R. Mayne 7
†Joan Hooton 4	Thomas J. Lock Tenor

Composed by Arthur Craven.

Conducted by Thomas J. Lock.

* First tower bell peal. † First peal in the method.

PINNER, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.

On Sat., May 14, 1966, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18½ cwt.

Donald E. R. Knights .. Treble	J. Richard Castledine .. 5
G. William Critchley .. 2	Jack S. Dear 6
Claudia A. Critchley .. 3	Frederick R. Scott 7
Alick Cutler 4	*J. Keith Ward Tenor

Composed by W. Eric Critchley.

Conducted by G. William Critchley.

* 200th peal.

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
CHEADLE, Staffordshire.—At the R.C. Church of St. Giles.

On Sat., May 14, 1965 in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15½ cwt. in F.

*Patricia M. Mills .. Treble	Harold Dowler 5
Norman Sherratt 2	Gerald Parsons 6
†Madeleine McCallion .. 3	Raymond J. Ballard .. 7
†David J. Midgley 4	Paul J. Atkins Tenor

Composed by Michael S. Bruce.

Conducted by Norman Sherratt.

* First peal of Major. † First peal of Surprise "inside."

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. D. R. Whalley.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NORWICH.—At the Church of St. Peter, Mancroft.

On Sun., May 15, 1966, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5191 GRANDSIRE CINQUES

Tenor 37 cwt. 99 lb. in C.

David Heighton .. Treble	Geoffrey H. Pullin 7
Nolan Golden 2	John A. Cox 8
*Angela Wright 3	David Cubitt 9
H. William Barrett .. 4	Martin Cubitt 10
Clifford Bird 5	David E. House 11
†J. Barry Pickup 6	Peter Adcock Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Nolan Golden.

* First peal on 12 bells. † 200th peal.

Rung as a compliment to John A. Cox, who leaves shortly for a tour of duty at El Adem, Tunisia.

HETHERSETT, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Remigius.

On Fri., April 29, 1966, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb.

*Janet Daglev .. Treble	†Desmond P. Mortlock .. 5
Leslie F. Bailey 2	Geoffrey H. Pullin 6
Martin Cubitt 3	David E. House 7
Angela M. Wright 4	Peter Adcock Tenor

Composed by J. J. Parker.

Conducted by David E. House.

* First peal on eight bells. † First of Grandsire Triples.

OAKINGTON SURPRISE MAJOR

34-38.6-56-36.14-34.5-34-1

8th place L.e. 14263857. 4ths place bobs.

THE NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

BEESTON, Notts.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.

On Sat., May 7, 1966, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. in F.

Richard C. L. Brown .. Treble	Edmund Shuttleworth .. 5
*Robert C. Woodward .. 2	Simon Humphrey 6
Peter Woollven 3	Ian V. J. Smith 7
David R. Ingram 4	John W. Coleman Tenor

Composed by Richard J. Parker.

Conducted by Ian V. J. Smith.

* First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor.
A birthday compliment, May 11th, to Edmund Shuttleworth.

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

On Sat., May 14, 1966, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in F sharp.

*Ann Harris .. Treble	Ian V. J. Smith 5
*Simon Humphrey 2	Edmund Shuttleworth .. 6
David R. Ingram 3	Roger Baldwin 7
*John G. Hallett 4	Richard C. L. Brown .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Roger Baldwin.

* First peal of London. First of London for the Society.

LEICESTER.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., May 21, 1966, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, comprising 1,440 Yorkshire, 1,280 each of Cambridge and Lincolnshire, 1,120 Rutland, with 69 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb. in A.

John W. Coleman .. Treble	Paul W. Webb 5
*Ann Harris 2	Edmund Shuttleworth .. 6
*†John G. Hallett 3	*Ian V. J. Smith 7
*Richard C. L. Brown .. 4	*Simon Humphrey Tenor

Composed by F. G. K. Davies.

Conducted by Ian V. J. Smith.

* First peal of Spiced Surprise Major. † 25th peal. First of Spiced Surprise Major for the Society.

THE ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.

PEMBROKE, Pembrokehire.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Sat., May 14, 1966, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

Johnson's Variation .. Treble	†John F. I. Turney 5
*Philip C. Rogers 2	Gwyn I. Lewis 6
J. Arthur Hoare 3	David J. Llewellyn .. 7
Mary E. Pryor 4	Brian J. Woodruffe .. Tenor

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

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

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

TURNER'S HILL, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Leonard.

On Sun., May 15, 1966, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5280 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In eight methods, comprising 960 London, 928 Watford, 896 Bristol, 672 Cambridge, 512 Dorchester, 448 Pudsey and Superlative, and 416 Lincoln, with 121 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 27 lb. in F.

Sheila M. Dobbie .. Treble	Edwin A. Barnett 5
Joan Beresford 2	Roger Baldwin 6
Ronald F. Diserens .. 3	Stanley Jenner 7
Derek E. Sibson 4	Dennis Beresford Tenor

Composed by Albert J. Pitman.

Rung silent and non-conducted.

Umpire: Robert C. Kippin (Ancient Society of College Youths).

First peal of eight Spiced rung silent and non-conducted.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

WEST BRIDGFORD, Notts.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Sat., May 7, 1966, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 9½ cwt.

John W. O. Miller .. Treble	Christine L. J. Mills .. 5
R. Brian Mills 2	Peter K. Else 6
Jane Blackler 3	David Stainsby 7
Susanna Poppleston .. 4	Royston Blackler Tenor

Composed by Nolan Golden.

Conducted by Royston Blackler.

Rung to mark ten years of ringing on the bells

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

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.

On Thurs., May 19, 1966, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

J. Alan Ainsworth Treble	David J. Purnell 7
Roderick W. Pipe 2	Philip Mehew 8
Norman J. Goodman 3	Peter J. Stretton 9
John R. Insley 4	Clifford A. Barron 10
John C. Eisel 5	Peter Border 11
Michael J. Fellows 6	*George E. Fearn Tenor

Arranged by Peter Border.

Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

* 500th peal on the bells.

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD PATSHULL, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Thurs., May 12, 1966, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 18 lb.

*Stanley W. Illidge Treble	Philip R. Johnson 4
†Christine Slater 2	Philip G. K. Davies 5
Elizabeth Timmins 3	Richard B. Dorrington .. Tenor

Conducted by Philip G. K. Davies.

* First peal of Minor. † First peal.

Rung as an engagement compliment to Anthea Richards and Michael W. Fairey, Ringing Master of this Society.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

WILLOUGHBY-ON-THE-WOLDS.—At the Church of All Saints and St. Mary.

On Mon., May 16, 1966, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being one extent Oxford T.B. and two extents each of Kent T.B., Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. 1 lb.

Sydney Adams Treble	David Oliver 4
Robert D. Marsh 2	William L. Exton 5
Ruth Blackshaw 3	Maurice W. Harrison .. Tenor

Conducted by William L. Exton.

First peal on the bells since augmentation to six.

Dedicated by the Rev. A. H. Hayward on May 8th, 1966.

Rung to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the life of Canon H. Millard, Vicar of this parish 1906-1942, and to whose perpetual memory this new treble bell is dedicated.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

SHIPLEY, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Sat., May 7, 1966, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In two methods, being six extents of Grandsire and 36 of Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

Janet Hazeldine Treble	Derek Slater 4
*E. Ann Godfrey 2	James D. Nelson 5
†Ian M. Robinson 3	*Allan J. Monks Tenor

Conducted by James D. Nelson.

* First peal. † First of Doubles.

Rung half-muffled in memory of Harry Leslie Curtis, who died on April 30th, 1966. He was gamekeeper on the Knepp Castle Estate for over 30 years and grandfather of the conductor.

THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

NEATH, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Thurs., April 14, 1966, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAITHNESS SURPRISE MINOR

Four different extents and a 2.160. Tenor 8 cwt. 8 lb in B flat.

Edmund J. Morris Treble	J. Arthur Hoare 4
Gwyn I. Lewis 2	John M. Hughes 5
Raymond J. Hosking .. 3	Brian J. Woodruffe Tenor

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

First peal in the method by all, on the bells and for the Guild. In memoriam Mr. J. Lovatt, of Pentre, Rhondda.

NEATH, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Thurs., April 28, 1966 in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 GLAMORGAN DELIGHT MINOR

Seven extents Tenor 8 cwt. 8 lb. in B flat.

Harry Boyce Treble	John F. I. Turney 4
Raymond J. Hosking .. 2	Gwyn I. Lewis 5
J. Arthur Hoare 3	Brian J. Woodruffe Tenor

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

First peal in the method.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

NETHERTON, Dudley, Worcs.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Wed., May 18, 1966, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 GLASGOW SURPRISE MAJOR

Sixths place bobs. Tenor 13 cwt. 3 lb. in F sharp.

Roderick W. Pipe Treble	Brian J. Luff 5
*John R. Insley 2	*John C. Eisel 6
*James Insley 3	*Norman J. Goodman .. 7
*Michael J. Fellows .. 4	*J. Alan Ainsworth Tenor

Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

27 course block reduced.

* First peal in the method.

GLAMORGAN DELIGHT MINOR

x 36 x 16 x 12 x 1236 x 34 x 56. 1.h.=16-56342.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

BITTERNE PARK, Southampton.—At the Church of the Ascension.

On Sat., May 14, 1966, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (ten callings). Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb.

*Heather J. Hinton Treble	*Margaret F. Coombs .. 4
*Beryl J. Cross 2	Dennis B. Brown 5
*Deborah N. Maggs .. 3	*Pamela J. Coombs .. Tenor

Conducted by Dennis B. Brown.

* First peal attempt. First peal as conductor. First peal on the bells by a local Sunday service band.

Rung for Ascensiontide.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HALIFAX, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.

On Sat., May 21, 1966, in 3 Hours and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 28 cwt. 14 lb. in D.

Joyce M. Sharp Treble	Arthur G. Mason 7
Jack L. Millhouse 2	Harold F. Gibson 8
*Delia M. Heppenstall .. 3	Geoffrey R. Parker 9
A. Robin Heppenstall .. 4	J. Henry Fielden 10
*Richard A. G. Inglis .. 5	Geoffrey Paul 11
†Peter A. Sharp 6	Frederick E. Collins .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

* First peal of Maximus. † 250th peal.

HANBURY, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 7 Hours and 38 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 13440 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb. in F sharp.

Ronald H. Dove Treble	Christopher J. Royal .. 5
Richard W. Sweet 2	John E. Whittall 6
James W. Belshaw 3	Robin Brown 7
P. John Hall 4	C. Barrie Dove Tenor

Composed by J. A. Trollope. Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.

Longest length by all the band, on the bells and in the county.

GREAT COMBERTON, Worcs.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sun., May 1, 1966, in 2 Hours and 19 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in seven methods, viz.: Cambridge Surprise, Grandsire, Kent T.B., Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Kennington, Southrepps and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. in B flat.

Richard Bateman Treble	*Christopher J. Royal .. 4
*P. John Hall 2	*James W. Belshaw .. 5
C. Barrie Dove 3	Arthur C Berry Tenor

Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.

* First peal in seven methods.

BRANT BROUGHTON, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Helen.

On Sat., May 14, 1966, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford T.B., Double Court, Single Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb. in E flat.

David Nichols Treble	Norman V. Harding .. 4
Richard J. Tibbetts .. 2	Rodney H. French .. 5
John S. Seager 3	Richard E. Price Tenor

Conducted by Richard E. Price.

HANDBELL PEALS**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

HAWKSHEAD, Lancashire.—At Bettyfold.

On Fri., May 13, 1966, in 1 Hour and 48 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being 1,800 Grandsire, 3,240 Plain Bob. Tenor size 11 in G.

Joseph Whalley 1-2 | Mary Whalley 3-4

*Kevin Price (cond.) .. 5-6

* First of Minor in two methods.

THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

SWANSEA, Glamorgan.—At Mor-Awelon, Lon Derw, Tycoch.

On Sun., April 17, 1966, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5376 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 18 in G.

Edmund J. Morris 1-2	J. Arthur Hoare 5-6
Brian J. Woodruffe 3-4	John M. Hughes 7-8

Arranged and Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

SWANSEA, Glamorgan.—At Mor-Awelon, Lon Derw, Tycoch.

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 7616 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 18 in G.

Raymond J. Hosking .. 1-2	J. Arthur Hoare 5-6
Brian J. Woodruffe 3-4	Edmund J. Morris 7-8

Composed and Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

An attempt for 13,440.

KEYWORTH, NOTTS.—At 5, Meadow Drive, on May 15th, 2,528 Plain Bob Major: Christine L. J. Mills 1—2, B. M. Buswell 3—4, W. L. Exton 5—6, R. B. Mills (cond.) 7—8. Longest length "in hand" 1—2, 5—6, 7—8.

LELANT, CORNWALL.—On May 14th, 1966 Doubles (600 Plain Bob, cond. 1; 700 Grandsire, cond. 3; 666 Stedman, cond. 5): A. J. Davidson 1, Marion L. Lidger 2, A. P. Smith 3, H. Miles 4, F. M. Bowers 5, W. R. Curtis 6.

ACTON, CHESHIRE.—On May 15th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): M. E. Hall 1, H. Sutton 2, J. Thomas 3, F. S. Sutton (cond.) 4, S. Sutton 5, G. Emerton 6. For Rogation service.

ALBURY, HERTS.—On May 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. S. Kent 1, Mrs. L. G. Goodman 2, E. Howe 3, E. White 4, G. C. Goodman (cond.) 5. First quarter 1 and 2. First quarter on the bells since augmentation and rehangings.

BALDERTON, NOTTS.—On May 15th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob, Grandsire): P. Elkington 1, P. Holmes 2, Beryl N. Reed 3, C. W. Reed (cond.) 4, P. Wakefield 5, B. E. White 6. For Evensong.

BARTON STACEY, HANTS.—On May 15th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: B. Furniss (first quarter) 1, R. Crocker 2, M. Green 3, P. Taylor 4, A. Green (cond.) 5, C. Ball 6.

BITTERNE PARK, SOUTHAMPTON.—On March 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss H. Hinton 1, Miss M. F. Coombs 2, Miss D. N. Maggs (first as cond.) 3, D. B. Brown 4, Mrs. B. J. Cross 5, Miss P. J. Coombs 6. For the wedding of Valerie Alpin, a local ringer, the previous day. Also on March 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss H. J. Hinton (first "inside").

CANFORD MAGNA, DORSET.—On May 8th, 1,260 Thurlby Delight Doubles: S. Price 1, Sandra M. Pitman 2, B. W. Pocock 3, W. J. Foot 4, H. I. Pitman (cond.) 5, Janet A. Fawcett 6. First in the method for all. For Evensong.

CHARLTON KINGS, GLOS.—On May 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss C. Bloxsome 1, G. Simmonds 2, A. Ruck 3, F. Stephens 4, C. A. Whratten 5, J. Cully (first of Minor as cond.) 6. For Evensong.

CRANTOCK, CORNWALL.—On May 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss M. Weston 1, D. Docking 2, J. Roberts 3, C. Stephens 4, H. Eplett (cond.) 5, D. Stephens 6. A farewell to Mr. and Mrs. D. Stephens.

CHESTER.—At St. Mary-without-the-Walls, on April 28th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. B. Close 1, D. E. Collins 2, D. Robinson 3, M. H. Hodgkinson 4, G. Parting 5, D. H. B. Millward 6, J. W. Griffiths (cond.) 7, J. W. Bull 8. For Mothers' Union Deanery service.

DINTON, WILTS.—On May 7th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Susan Brown 1, Helen A. Hobbins 2, N. Skelton 3, D. Briggs (first quarter) 4, A. A. Newman 5, R. Haines (cond.) 6.

DOWNTON, WILTS.—On May 16th, 1,280 London Surprise Major: J. N. Longridge 1, J. L. Claughton 2, D. Wilson 3, A. T. Collins 4, W. E. Cheater 5, W. T. Perrins 6, L. F. Cobb 7, R. N. Marlow (first in method as cond.) 8. First in method 1, 2, 3, 6 and 7.

ERRINGTON, GLOS.—On April 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Povey (first quarter) 1, H. Hart (cond.) 2, A. Diston 3, C. Righton (first quarter) 4, J. Nicholls (first quarter) 5, D. Drinkwater 6. A compliment to the Rev. F. M. Hookham, who is retiring.

ECCLESTON, CHESHIRE.—On May 12th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: D. E. Collins 1, Mrs. G. H. Randles 2, J. W. Griffiths (cond.) 3, M. H. Hodgkinson 4, G. H. Randles 5, D. H. B. Millward 6, R. J. Palmer 7, G. Parting 8. First of Surprise 1 and 4.

FINCHINGFIELD, ESSEX.—On May 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (tenor covering): Miss J. Hunter 1, P. Perkins 2, P. Wood 3, C. Hardy 4, E. Webb 5, F. Roper (cond.) 6, M. Hunter 7. First quarter 1 and 7. In memoriam Philip W. French, for 65 years a chorister and bellringer here.

FINCHLEY, MIDD.—On May 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Warren 1, A. Richardson 2, W. Chandler 3, P. Taylor 4, I. Campbell (first quarter) 5, Miss D. Robotham 6, B. Watson (cond.) 7, L. Tubb 8. Rung for Evensong on Ascension Day.

HASLINGFIELD, CAMBS.—On May 15th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Jane M. Wilsher (first quarter) 1, R. J. Mann 2, W. J. Ridgman 3, B. Horrell (cond.) 4, A. E. Ling 5.

HOPE, FLINTSHIRE.—On May 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. A. Price 1, Dr. E. V. Woodcock 2, M. Price 3, C. Bowley 4, E. M. Jones (cond.) 5, M. Williams 6.

HYDE, CHESHIRE.—On April 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. A. Booth 1, J. Jessup (first quartet) 2, A. Stokes 3, J. P. Walter 4, J. R. Wood 5, D. C. Walker (cond.) 6.

KING'S SOMBORNE, HANTS.—On April 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Wimplett (first quarter) 1, Mrs. T. Tarrant 2, C. Perry 3, J. Wimplett (first "inside") 4, T. Tarrant (cond.) 5, W. Mulford 6. Arranged by W. C. Perry (captain). For the silver anniversary of the Rev. L. F. Wright.

KINGSBURY, MIDD.—On March 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Pike 1, R. Parnell 2, Sue Ellis 3, Ruth Foreman 4, G. Ellis (cond.) 5, R. Blow 6. First quarter 1, 2 and 6. For Evensong. Rung half-muffled in memoriam two parishioners who had died the preceding week.

KIRK ELLA, E. YORKS.—On May 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Barbara A. Taylor (first quarter) 1, C. Holmes 2, G. K. Smith (cond.) 3, K. Kirk 4, F. C. Hobson 5, A. B. Cooper 6. For Evensong, and as a farewell tribute to the Rev. J. W. M. Howat.

LINTON, HEREFORDS.—On April 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. B. Brewer (first quarter) 1, Ann Butcher 2, A. Brewer 3, R. I. Brewer 4, F. E. J. Reynolds (cond.) 5, J. J. Webb 6.

LITTLINGTON, CAMBS.—On May 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Sanderson 1, F. Harper 2, A. Mynott 3, B. Horrell 4, W. Newman 5, G. Bonham (cond.) 6. To welcome the birth of a daughter to W. Newman.

LONDON.—At St. Clement Danes', on May 8th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Janet Crane 1, J. L. Hayns 2, Sally Parrott 3, R. D. Mills 4, A. D. Elmsore 5, I. L. Dear 6, A. J. Slade (cond.) 7, M. C. Austin 8, F. W. Ellis 9, R. E. Fentiman 10. For Evensong, by the Society of Roving Ringers. Also at St. Clement Danes', on May 15th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: S. Penfold 1, Miss J. Peacock 2, J. Fowler 3, C. E. Wright 4, F. G. Richardson 5, F. V. Gant (cond.) 6, C. Pain 7, A. Grainger 8, G. Cecil 9, J. W. Stephenson 10. For Matins. Also same day, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. Starbuck 1, N. Thomson 2, Mrs. E. M. Bagworth 3, N. S. Bagworth (cond.) 4, C. Barnes 5, Rev. A. Clayton 6, J. Hatchell 7, R. Dennis 8.

LONG MELFORD, SUFFOLK.—On May 1st, 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: Mrs. L. Mills 1, D. J. Reeve (first in method) 2, F. J. Payne (first in method) 3, Miss E. Candale 4, T. Chinery 5, P. Poulson 6, L. D. Mills 7, D. L. Mills (cond.) 8.

LYMPNE, KENT.—On May 8th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): B. Butcher 1, D. B. Cox 2, Elizabeth Todd 3, R. P. Brotherston 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, R. M. Copley 6. For Evensong.

NECTON, NORFOLK.—On May 16th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: W. G. Heyhoe 1, Mrs. F. A. M. Heyhoe 2, S. H. Waterfield (cond.) 3, W. J. Bailey 4, H. Bennett 5, R. R. Harmer 6. In memoriam the Rev. L. G. Dennis.

NORTH RAUCEBY, Lincs.—On April 15th, 1,320 Doubles (three methods): G. J. N. Colborne (cond.) 1, F. W. Pinchbeck 2, C. F. Baxter 3, E. C. Cole 4, H. R. Woods 5.

NORTHLEIGH, OXON.—On May 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. D. Morgan 1, Susan M. Holden 2, T. G. Holden 3, N. Bridges 4, J. F. List 5, P. G. Holden (cond.) 6. Rung for Confirmation service, at which two members of the tower—Annette List and Penelope Turner—were confirmed, and as a birthday compliment to Annette.

OLD SWINFORD, WORCS.—On May 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Kennard 1, M. Clewes 2, J. Lawley 3, C. R. Tandy 4, B. Wootton 5, P. Bill (cond.) 6. First of Minor 1, 2 and 5.

PENYFAL, GLAM.—On May 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. A. Evans 1, R. J. Mayle 2, D. R. L. Jones 3, H. Preece 4, W. T. Petty (cond.) 5. Rung in memoriam Mrs. Mary P. Lody.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.—On May 8th, at St. Andrew's Church, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: M. W. Myers 1, T. G. Myers (cond.) 2, J. C. Mitchellmore (first on 10) 3, Mrs. J. Smith 4, J. W. Perkins 5, G. E. Mudge 6, H. F. Myers 7, D. F. Wheeler 8, A. W. Myers 9, D. R. Bould 10. For Evensong.

PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX.—On May 7th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: G. Eve (first of Major) 1, Mrs. B. Sadler 2, D. Sloman 3, Miss P. Halliwell 4, P. Sadler 5, B. Sadler 6, H. H. Furminger 7, P. Salmon (cond.) 8. For lay readers' admission service.

PORTSMOUTH.—At St. Mary's, Portsea, on May 8th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: A. Cope 1, Mrs. M. Page 2, Mrs. B. Hunt 3, A. Burbidge 4, G. Gammon 5, L. Duguid 6, P. Page 7, J. Hunt (cond.) 8. First in method 4 and 5. For Evensong, and as a 70th birthday compliment to Mr. A. Mathews, a member of the tower.

RUARDEAN, GLOS.—On May 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss A. Butcher 1, E. W. Penn 2, F. Oakley 3, How. Meek 4, J. J. Webb (cond.) 5. Har. Meek 6. Rung half-muffled to the memory of Mr. J. Wood and Mr. R. Weaver, for many years chorister and organist.

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.—On May 3rd, 1,260 Yorkshire Surprise Major: A. Holroyd 1, Margaret Goodyer (first of Yorkshire) 2, Elsie Chaddock 3, Tessa Hollis 4, N. Donovan 5, S. Armeson 6, N. Chaddock 7, J. Chaddock (cond.) 8. Arranged for Mrs. Margaret Goodyer, of Sydney, Australia.

SALISBURY, RHODESIA.—On April 10th, at the Cathedral, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Penny Hughes (first quarter) 1, Frances Pellatt 2, R. Hedges 3, J. Milford 4, Monica Blagrove 5, F. T. Blagrove (cond.) 6. For Easter.

STOKE BISHOP, BRISTOL.—On May 1st, 1,272 Kent Minor: Miss V. Vincent (first of T.B.) 1, Miss G. Thomas (first of T.B.) 2, Mrs. J. Gray 3, D. Bentley 4, J. Keddie 5, P. Gray (cond.) 6. For Evensong, and St. Philip's Day.

STRATFORD-UPON-AVON, WARWICKS.—On May 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Sheila Ingram 1, A. Print 2, G. Ingram 3, R. Chapman 4, F. C. Lyne 5, R. W. Sherriff (cond.) 6, R. C. Steed 7, F. Kinchin 8. A compliment to Mr. V. B. Hunt, on appointment as Vicar's warden.

STRATTON, CORNWALL.—On May 15th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: C. Sangwin 1, A. E. Bissat 2, E. Nunn 3, W. H. Trewin 4, H. Heard 5, B. G. D. Vince (first in method) 6, H. Stacey (cond.) 7, J. W. Sangwin 8. A birthday compliment to Mrs. J. W. Sangwin and C. Sangwin.

THAMES DITTON, SURREY.—On May 14th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Kay Tremear (first of Treble Bob) 1, Deborah Hopkins 2, Lesley Read 3, M. J. Uphill 4, D. M. Hughes 5, A. S. Bishop (cond.) 6.

TWYFORD, BERKS.—On May 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Elliott (first attempt) 1, Mrs. J. Sharpe (first of Minor) 2, Mrs. H. Smith 3, W. J. H. Parker 4, M. J. Smith 5, H. Smith (cond.) 6. For Christian Aid Week.

UPCHURCH, KENT.—On May 12th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: F. G. Huckstepp 1, Brenda Foster 2, Sylvia Knight 3, H. Deacon 4, N. J. Davies 5, B. Johnson (cond.) 6.

UPHILL, SOMERSET.—On April 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Jones (first of Minor) 1, Miss M. Legg 2, D. J. Gay 3, R. J. Ballam 4, G. Prescott 5, P. J. Hall (cond.) 6. To mark the birth of Stephen Michael, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael V. White.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.—On May 1st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Laura Grindrod 1, June Whitcher 2, D. Hawkins 3, M. C. Austin 4, I. L. Dear 5, H. Duncan 6, R. J. Chapman (cond.) 7, M. B. Jefferys 8. For Evensong.

WARMLEY, GLOS.—On May 8th, 1,440 Kent T.B. Minor: Elizabeth A. Webb 1, D. M. Smith 2, E. Owens 3, K. G. Weeks 4, W. Lampard 5, A. W. Gibbs (cond.) 6. First of Kent for all except conductor.

WARNFORD, HANTS.—On May 18th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob Minor: Maureen White 1, Mary White 2, Betty Daysh 3, R. A. Stone 4, P. Page 5, C. E. Bassett (cond.) 6. Rung for the Ascension, and a birthday greeting to Peter Brian Cooper, nephew of R. A. Stone, born May 13th.

WENTWORTH, W. YORKS.—On Good Friday, 1,320 Doubles (11 methods): R. Nalliah 1, A. King 2, M. A. Beaumont 3, M. King 4, M. R. Meadows (cond.) 5, T. Cairns 6. For united service of devotion. Also on Easter Day, 1,320 Doubles (11 methods): For Evensong. Also on April 23rd, 1,320 Doubles (11 methods): Half-muffled after the memorial service to Col. W. J. Landon.

WEOBLEY, HEREFORDS.—On April 17th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): W. C. Williams 1, L. H. Preece 2, M. M. Turner 3, T. Bound (cond.) 4, L. Morley 5, T. Pugh 6. A tribute to Mr. R. A. Farmer, who recently retired after 50 years' service as a ringer at this church.

YARDLEY, BIRMINGHAM.—On May 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Rosemary Sheldon 1, M. F. Edwards 2, R. C. Ingram 3, E. J. Franklin 4, Beryl Park 5, J. W. Belshaw 6, A. H. Flitter (first of Triples as cond.) 7, R. Weekes 8. First of Triples 1, 5 and 8. For Evensong.

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BIRTH

CORBY. — On May 25th, 1966, to M. Roselyn (née Crewe) and R. Gordon, a son, David Edward. 9227

ENGAGEMENT

PLUCKROSE—WATKIN. — The engagement is announced between George, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Pluckrose, of 12, St. Michael's Close, Lynchem, Wilts, and Rosemary Joy, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Watkin, of 46, Holmden Avenue, Wigston Magna, Leicester. 9197

DEATH

BRAGG.—On May 26th, 1966. In Farnham Hospital after a road accident at Aldershot the previous afternoon, Mary, the second daughter of Major E. J. and Mrs. Bragg, of 20, Church Hill, Aldershot, aged 19 years. 9222

PERSONAL

"Jesus answered, Verily verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born of water and of the Spirit he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh and that which is born of the Spirit is Spirit."—St. John iii., 5 and 6.

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MISCELLANEOUS

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

329th ANNIVERSARY DINNER
The 329th anniversary dinner will now be held at the Albert Restaurant, Albert Embankment, London, S.E.1, on Saturday, November 5th, 1966, and not at Bridge House Hotel. Full details later. —J. G. A. Prior. 9213

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Ely District. — Striking Competition, Willingham (6), Saturday, June 4th, start 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. followed by results, etc. General ringing 6.30–8.30. Names for tea, please, to G. A. Lucas, 11, Fen End, Willingham. Cambs. 9119

FINEDON, NORTHANTS. — Outing and peal organisers please note. Until further notice all further correspondence should be addressed to Mr. E. J. Chapman, 22, Sibley Road, Finedon, Wellingborough, Northants. 9205

FLOWER FESTIVAL,

Folkingham, near Sleaford, Lincs.
Ringing arrangements: Bells (6), 11 cwt. in F sharp. Sat., June 18th, 6–9 p.m. Sun., 19th, service by Bishop of Southampton; ringing 6–6.30 p.m. Mon., 20th, practice, start 7 p.m. All welcome.—J. R. Worsdall, Curate.

LONG SUTTON, SOMERSET. — Club Day, Monday, June 6th. Ringing 7–9 p.m. All ringers welcome. 9225

NUTFIELD, SURREY. — Next practice, Monday, June 13th, thereafter each Monday 7.30–9 p.m.—Capt. A. R. Clarke, 16, Bayfield Road, Horley. Horley 4711. 9212

PENN, STAFFORDSHIRE

Ringers' Service

SUNDAY, JUNE 12th, 1966

at

St Bartholomew's Church

Ringing 5.30 p.m. for 6.30

Evensong.

Preacher:

The Rev. Canon F. W. Cocks.

Refreshments and ringing after service. All welcome.

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ST. MARY REDCLIFFE, BRISTOL. — As and from June 1st, 1966, all communications relative to the use of the bells should be sent to Miss Y. Matthews, 25, Guildford Road, St. Annes, Bristol 4. Peal attempts for 1966, '67 and '68 have now been allocated. 9193

ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.—As from June 3rd, practice night at St. Mary's Parish Church will be on Fridays from 7–9 p.m. Everyone welcome.—G. E. Bonham. 9202

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

20th Anniversary Dinner and Ringing Festival

SATURDAY, JUNE 11th, 1966

Dinner to be held at the Robin Hood Hotel, Newark. Tickets 22s. (limited number only) available from Miss M. E. Chilton, 80, London Road, Newark-on-Trent, Notts (dinner secretary).

Ringing arrangements: North Muskham (6) 10.45–11.30; Sutton-on-Trent (8) 11–12; Elston (6) 12–1; North Collingham (6) 1.30–2.30; South Collingham (5) 1.30–2.30; South Scarle (5) 1.30–2.30; Winthorpe (6) 2.30–3.30; Coddington (6) 2.30–3.30; Barnby-in-the-Willows (6) 3.30–4.30; Balderton (8) 4–5; Newark-on-Trent (10) 5–6 p.m. 9140

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL.—There will be no practice on Wednesday, June 15th.—H. Stocks, Tower Sec. 9216

PEAL AND QUARTER PEAL CARDS

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MEETINGS

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. — Exeter Branch.—Correction: Practice meeting on Friday, June 3rd, at St. David's, Exeter. Bells 7–9.—G. Skinner, Branch Sec. 9179

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Warwick Archdeaconry District.—Meeting at Bidford-on-Avon, June 4th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. More ringing after tea, when it is hoped that Welford bells will be available. Names for tea to District secretary. Special method: Lincolnshire Surprise.—P. S. Bennett, College Farm, Bearley, Stratford-upon-Avon. Telephone 5701. 9156

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Northern District.—Evening meeting, Barley (6), Saturday, June 4th. Bells 6 p.m. Please help a new local band. Also practice at Norton (8), June 2nd, 7.30 p.m.—C. M. Orme, Dis. Sec. 9160

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Wigan Branch.—Meeting on Saturday, June 4th, at Emmanuel, Southport. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Christ Church, Southport, bells (8) 6 p.m. 9220

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

Summer Festival, June 4th, 1966

RINGING ARRANGEMENTS

Egham, Chertsey ..	10.00–11.30
Chobham, Ottershaw ..	11–12.30
Horsell ..	11.30–1.00
Send, Ockham,	
Old Woking ..	2.00–3.30
Weybridge Esher ..	3.00–4.00
Hersham ..	3.30–4.30
Service and tea, Hersham ..	4.30
Hersham ..	3.00–4.30
Thames Ditton.	
East Molesey ..	6.30–8.00
Esher ..	7.00–8.30
Oatlands Park, Walton ..	7.30–9.00
Names for tea to Mrs. K. King,	
The Hut, Thrupps Lane, Hersham,	
Walton-on-Thames, by June 1st.	

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—S. and W. District.—Business meeting, Saturday, June 4th. Ringing: Stanwell 3–4.15 p.m., East Bedfont 4.15–5 p.m. Tea, meeting and evening ringing at E. Bedfont. Please try to support this meeting.—W. S. Deason. 9162

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — North Bucks Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Wavendon on June 4th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 3.45 p.m., with tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea to R. W. Sear, 37, Buckingham Road, Bletchley. 9143

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

—Annual cup contest at Barlborough, near Chesterfield, Saturday, June 4th. Draw at 3 p.m. Entry fee 2s. 6d. per team. Test piece, 360 changes of Minor or Doubles. All teams welcome. Names for tea, please, to Mr. C. Heeley, 3, Manor Road, Barlborough, Chesterfield.—Andrew King, Hon. Sec.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Northern Division.—Evening practice meeting, Saturday, June 4th at St. Mary's, Balcombe (not Turner's Hill). Bells 6–8 p.m. All welcome.—E. L. Hairs, Hon. Div. Sec. 9182

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Alton, and Petersfield District. — Quarterly meeting of June 4th is cancelled. A special meeting will be held at Petersfield on June 25th instead. Bells 3. Committee meeting 3 in St. Peter's Hall. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 and business meeting follows. Numbers for tea to C. E. Bassett, 85, Brook Lane, Warsash, Southampton, by 20th. Tel. Locks Heath 2404. 9211

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

—Practice meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Kingsbury (Church Lane, Blackbird Cross, N.W.9), on Monday, June 6th, 7.30–9 p.m. 9207

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Biggleswade District.—Monthly meeting will be held at Potton on June 11th from 3 p.m. Business meeting in church before tea at 5 p.m. Help this young band, please. 9219

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. —Monthly meeting, Roos (5) and Patrington (8), Saturday, June 11th. Bells available: Roos 2.30–4.30 p.m.; Patrington 6.30–9 p.m. Service and tea at Roos. Names for tea (important) to Mrs. K. V. Cook, Alpha, Rectory Road, Roos, by previous Thursday. 9203

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting Saturday, June 11th, at Betchworth (8). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Please bring own picnic tea. Evening ringing 6.30–8.30 p.m. 9158

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District. — Meeting at Downham, June 11th. District heat of ringing competition 3 p.m., followed by general ringing until tea at 5 p.m. Bells available again after tea. Names for tea to D. Belcham, 45, Louvaine Avenue, Wickford. 9203

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ross District.—Meeting at Goodrich, June 11th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting.—J. J. Webb, Dis. Sec. 9215

EASTHAMPSTEAD, BERKS

THE DEDICATION OF THE RECAST, AUGMENTED BELLS

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SATURDAY, JUNE 11th

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3	St. Cecilia	2	3	11		Deo Gracias 4 3 10
4	St. Barnabas	3	0	25	Tenor	Gloria in Excelsis
5	St. Michael	3	2	27		Deo. Gordon Osborne
6	St. Mary Magdalene	4	1	3		— Vicar.
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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—

Eastern District.—Business meeting, Benington, Saturday, June 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to Miss B. Harris, Buckhurst, Benington, by Friday, June 10th latest.—P. M. F. Seales, Dis. Sec. 9231

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Meeting at Appledore, Saturday, June 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. L. Paddon, Ivy Cottage, 12, The Street Appledore, by Thursday, June 9th.—A. P. S. B. 9120

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—By-meeting at Boughton Monchelsea, Saturday, June 11th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. A. Lamb, 12, Park Way, Maidstone. 9183

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—Quarterly meeting, St. James', Bristol (10). June 11th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. de Jong, 6, Beresford Close, Saltford, Bristol. 9209

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Meeting on Saturday, June 11th, at Hawkshead. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. R. Shuttleworth, Hawkshead Hill, Hawkshead, near Ambleside.—T. F. M. 9229

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn and Preston Branches.—Joint meeting at Samlesbury, Saturday, June 11th. Names for tea, please, to Miss P. H. Gardner, Beyond, Potters Lane, Samlesbury, Preston, by Wednesday, 18th. Preston-Blackburn New Road buses 150, 152.—B. Tomlinson and L. Walmsley. 9195

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting at Healey on Saturday, June 11th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m. Business 6 p.m.—G. Cheetham. 9224

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Syston District.—Joint meeting with the Melton District, Saturday, June 11th, at Queniborough. Gaddesby (6) open 2 p.m.—3 p.m.; Queniborough (6) 3 p.m.—4.15 p.m. Service Queniborough 4.15 p.m. Names for tea (5 p.m.) to Mr. D. Lowe, 22, Barkby Road, Queniborough, Leics, by Wednesday, June 8th. Queniborough available after meeting. 9186

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (Central Branch) and LADIES' GUILD.—Joint meeting, Walesby, Saturday, June 11th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service and meeting 4.15. Bring your own tea.—G. R. P. 9196

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Central Bucks Branch.—A.G.M., Padbury (6), Saturday, June 11th. Bells 2.45. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea to J. W. Hall, 44 Buckingham Road, Winslow, Blethley, Bucks, by June 8th. 9217

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Oundle Branch.—Meeting at Polebrook, June 11th. Names for tea to A. H. Hinton, Police Station, Warrington, Peterborough, by June 7th. 9214

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—

Llandaff Branch.—Ringing meeting at Merthyr Tydfil (8) on Saturday, June 11th, commencing 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to D. J. Llewellyn, 1, Matthew Road, Rhose, Barry, Glam (Tel. Rhose 494), by June 6th. Note: No business (except for election of new members) unless members give a week's notice. Excellent opportunity to try these recently restored bells. Ringing must finish at 7 p.m. 9189

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—West Dorset Branch.—Meeting, Hawkchurch, Saturday, June 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to J. Davis, Mount, Melplash, Bridport. 9208

STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.—The six-bell striking competition has been arranged for Saturday, June 11th, at Trysull, near Wolverhampton. Draw 3 p.m. Please send confirmation of entries to me as soon as possible. Test piece: 240 changes of any Doubles or Minor method. Regret no refreshments available.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec. 9184

SUFFOLK GUILD.—South East District.—Quarterly meeting at Hollesley (8) on Saturday, June 11th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Please bring own food: cups of tea will be provided. Ringing in the evening until 9 p.m. Please note: Meeting at Hollesley and not Holbrook and Stutton as in the Suffolk Guild of Ringers Report.—W. Lockwood, Dis. Sec. 9184

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—Practice meeting, Midhurst, on Saturday, June 11th. Bells (6) 2.45 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Please notify for tea.—R. Wake, 28, Keynor Estate, Sidlesham, Chichester. 9184

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Southern Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Badsey (8), June 11th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea to W. J. Newman, Manor Farm, Hinton, Evesham, by previous Tuesday, please. 9147

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Change of date.—Annual meeting to be held at Thorne (8) on Saturday, June 11th. Ringing from 3 p.m. and after tea (5 p.m.) and the meeting, at which the main business will be the election of officers. Names for tea to Mr. E. Hartley, The Laurels, 33, Main Street, Thorne, by Thursday, June 2nd.—R. J. Lumley, Hon. Dis. Sec. 9221

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Frome Branch.—Corporate Communion at Paulton, Sunday, June 12th, 8 a.m. Names for breakfast to Mr. V. Savage, 49, Church Road, Peasedown-St. John, Bath. 9217

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Witney and Woodstock Branch.—Monthly practice, Witney, Tuesday, June 14th, from 7 to 9 p.m. 9221

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—

Leatherhead District.—Striking competition and quarterly meeting at Capel, June 18th. Service at 3 p.m. Tea and meeting after competition. Newdigate bells in evening. Names for tea to Mrs. H. Penfold, 6, Green-side, Capel, Dorking, Surrey, please.—M. M. 9240

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—

Rochester District.—By-meeting at Swanscombe, Saturday, June 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to E. O. Newbury, 94, Broomfield Road, Swanscombe, by previous Wednesday.—T. Barton, Hon. Dis. Sec. 9218

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wimborne Branch.—Meeting at Canford, June 18th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea followed by cricket match. All welcome. Names for tea to Mr. H. Pitman, 40a, Knighton, Canford, Wimborne, by June 15th. 9239

STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.—

Annual general meeting at Lichfield on Saturday, June 18th. Bells available: Cathedral (10) 3-4 p.m.; St. Michael's (6) 3-4.15 p.m.; St. Chad's (4) 3.30-4.15 p.m. All available during the evening after the meeting, together with Alrewas (8). Service in Cathedral choir stalls 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting in St. Michael's Church Hall. Seating limited to approx. 100 only, so numbers for tea as soon as possible, please, to C. M. Smith, 29, Dimbles Hill, Lichfield, Staffs, at very latest by June 15th. Tel. Lich. 4539. Members attending but not able to have a seat for tea are asked to support the business meeting.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec. 9239

UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATION.—

Northern District.—Summer meeting at Hull on Saturday, June 18th. Ringing arrangements: Hessele (6) 10.30-12; Kirk Ella (6) 11-12.30; Cottingham (8) 12-1.30; Hedon (8) 2.15-4.15. Hull, Holy Trinity (12) 5-6.30; Beverley Minster (10) 6-7.30; Beverley, St. Mary's (10) 7-8.30.—Geoffrey W. Randall, Hull University Union. 9200

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—

Northern Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Bromsgrove (10) 3 p.m.—Saturday, June 18th. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea to Mr. C. L. Hawkins, Lansdowne, Chapel Street, Bromsgrove, by Thursday, June 16th, please.—Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane, Pedmore, near Stourbridge, Worcs. 9223

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—

Eastern District.—Annual general meeting, Saturday, June 18th, at Hemingbrough. Bells available 2.30, Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. G. F. Terry, Water Lane Farm, Hemingbrough, near Selby, by Wednesday, June 15th.—R. Ducker, Hon. Dis. Sec. 9204

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LATE NEWS

The sympathy of the Guildford Diocesan Guild and beyond has been extended to Major and Mrs. E. J. Bragg, of Aldershot, in the tragic death of their second daughter, Mary. While cycling to work on Wednesday afternoon Mary was knocked off her bicycle by the door of a car she was passing being opened. She fell on her head and fractured her skull. She died early next morning in Farnham Hospital. Mary was 19 years of age, a bell ringer and Sunday School teacher and beloved of a wide circle of friends.

LATE NOTICES

BIRTHS

LAMPARD — On May 22nd, 1966, at Bristol Maternity Hospital, to Rita (née Webb) and Bill (formerly of St Peter's Cathedral, Adelaide, Australia), a daughter, Helen Elizabeth, —10, Crane Close, Warmley, Bristol 9236

STREETER — On May 25th, 1966, to Freda (née Hankey) and Alan of Highfields, Bletchingley, Surrey, a son—Karl David, a brother for Alison Jane. 9237

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MISCELLANEOUS

ALDERSHOT PARISH CHURCH.—There will be no practice on Friday, June 3rd. 9241

MEETINGS

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Chesterfield District. — Monthly meeting at Creswell on June 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, without fail, please, to Mr. L. Barlow, Lilac House, Mansfield Road, Creswell, Worksop, Notts. Tel Creswell 370. Special methods: Double Oxford and Yorkshire Surprise. — Malcolm Phipps, Sec. 9235

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Bishopstone on Saturday, June 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. E. Jaques, 50, Eastcott Road, Swindon, by Tuesday, 7th. 9233

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Daventry Branch.—Meeting Byfield, Saturday June 11th. Preston Capes in the evening. Names for tea to Mr. F. W. Hutt, Byfield Rugby, by Monday previous.—F. W. Hancock. 9238

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Surprise practice at Battersea on June 11th. 7.30–9.30 p.m. Look up Ealing. — B. Bull, Assist. Sec. 9232

LADIES' GUILD.—Annual general meeting, July 2nd. Committee meeting 1.30 p.m. Service St. Mark's, Exeter. 3.30 p.m. Tea (5/6) 4.30 p.m. Names for tea (with cash, please, and s.a.e.) to Mrs. P. Burnham, Ranchi, 60 Above Town, Dartmouth, by Thursday, June 16th. Bells available: Littleham, Newton St. Cyres 9.45–10.45; Buckfast Abbey 9.45–11.15; Withcombe Raleigh Bramford Speke 10.30–11.30; Rewe 11–12; Lympstone 11.15–12.15; Broadclyst 11.45–12.45; Clyst St. George 12–1; Pinhoe 12.30–1.30; Topsham 12.30–1.30; Exeter, St. Thomas' and St. David's 1.45–3; St. Mark's 2.30–3.30. Heavitree 6.15–7.15; St. Petrock's 6.45–7.30; Cathedral 6.30–8.30. 9234

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