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### MEMOIRS OF 'SUSSEX BY THE SEA'

And Brighton in particular! My first visit to this famous resort (with two irresponsible youths) started with a ring at St. Peter's and finished with a night divided between walking the sea front and a few hours sleep on the beach. All due to the fact that precaution had not been taken to see that the necessary money was in our pockets before starting our 50 mile ride.

Our next visit (with a slightly different partner!) proved more enjoyable, for on that occasion we rang a peal of Cambridge Major on the old eight at St. Peter's just previous to the installation of the fine ring of ten provided by Mr. J. Thornton Rickman, who was a very good friend to the County Association and a perfect gentleman in the full sense of the word. It was here we had our first real meeting with that great mainstay of St. Peter's, Keith Hart. Little did we realise then that we should in later years come in closer contact with him.

A few years on and we joined a band from Brighton to ring a peal for Frank Bennett's silver wedding, this coming to a stop about half way, which was just as well perhaps, as we had to ring with the bells fully muffled! The 1914 war saw very little ringing in Brighton.

A few years after the war we again came in contact with K.H. and his band. And by frequently meeting K.H. one began to recognise his power of leadership. Perhaps he was not always as diplomatic as some would have liked, but being a perfect striker himself he looked for the same in others. Striking apart, he was no doubt the best heavy-bell man Sussex had produced, and the County still has a long way to go to approach his standard. How many conductors would call 'Stand' after half a course of Cambridge Royal and walk across the tower to tell one of the band to 'roll your sleeves up properly and then we can start the peal again'!

It seemed very curious that the rest of K.H.'s band were very docile! Perhaps Albert Stone (one time Gen. Sec.) would now and again express his opinion, but for the rest (Ted Merrett, C. Palmer, J. Capp, Bill Hart, J. Veralls, F. Bennett, G. Smart, J. Dearlove and A. Gravett), they were all content to ring and listen. After ringing on Sunday mornings there was no doubt who was the leader! Off would go K.H. at a brisk pace down past the Aquarium along the sea front towards Black Rock, and then about turn. Sometimes Volk's railway would be honoured on the return journey but not if by 'stepping it out' they could get to the 'King and Queen' on time. Should the weather prove unsuitable for a walk then two or

three would drop in to see George Baker (who by this time was unable to leave his place of business owing to his partner's illness) and the merits or otherwise of this, that and the other were discussed.

1919 saw a mixed band from Brighton journey to Southover for a peal of Stedman Caters to celebrate the birth of a daughter to Mrs. F.I.H. The first peal of Spliced Surprise Royal was rung at St. Peter's in 1934. A year later the 50th Jubilee of the Association was celebrated by a dinner and concert at the Old Ship Hotel, at which Mrs. A. A. Hughes rendered some very good handbell music.

With the death of Keith Hart in 1947 the band at St. Peter's felt the loss to a great extent. At the funeral of Frank Bennett in 1958 there was a large gathering of ringers from all parts. Apart from being captain at St. Nicholas', Brighton, he was at one time Secretary of the Royal Cumberland Youths when resident in London. A peal of Stedman Caters was lost in the last course on the day of the funeral of Harry Stalham, who had taken over the captaincy after the death of F. Bennett. In memoriam to H. Stalham, a peal of his favourite method (Double Norwich Court Bob Major) was rung in 1964 on the anniversary of his birthday.

In 1950 we had the pleasure of seeing the Central Council meeting at Eastbourne, a meeting which was a great success, more so in view of the fact that for a few years no representative was sent to the Council, and for another few years only one was sent. Many pleasant visits have been paid to Brighton in later years, the last being on January 16th of this year for the anniversary dinner. We are looking forward to many more. How time flies.

F. and E.

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# Sussex 80th Anniversary a Memorable Night

THE 80th ANNIVERSARY dinner, held amid all the grandeur of the Royal Pavilion, Brighton, was an event that will live long in the memories of those attending. It was truly as the Master (Mr. R. V. Johnson) said, a wonderful evening. There was nothing to mar the proceedings, a well-cooked meal, an expeditious service and speeches fitting to the occasion. The organisation was near perfect and the hard-working dinner committee consisted of Messrs. Leslie Weller, B. C. Burrough, B. E. Matthews and W. A. Riddington. A company of 176 attended and they were indeed indebted to the Mayor of Brighton for permitting the function to be held in the Pavilion.

The Master was supported on the top table by the Mayor and Mayoress of Brighton (Councillor and Mrs. W. H. Clout), the Bishop of Lewes (the Rt. Rev. J. H. L. Morrell), the Archdeacon of Chichester (the Ven. L. Mason), the Vicar of Brighton (Canon Keeling) and Mrs. Keeling, the honorary secretary of the Association (Mr. R. W. R. Percy), the honorary secretary of the Central Council and Mrs. E. A. Barnett. Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Hairs, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Weller, Messrs. B. E. Matthews, B. C. Burrough and T. W. White.

Following the loyal toast, the Master proposed the toast of 'The Church.' 'It is right,' he said, 'that on such an occasion as this, we should pause to express our debt to "Mother Church," as she is often called, and mother church she is, indeed, to this Association, for to the Church bellringing owes its existence and its continuing purpose. And not just to the Church, but in a special way to the Church of England.

Bellringing, or campanology, is practised in a number of countries overseas, including Australia, Canada and the United States, and it is a matter of satisfaction to all ringers in this country that a hand from England had an honoured and indeed vital part to play at the dedication of the bells of Washington Cathedral last year. But a tower with properly hung bells is exceptional anywhere outside England. The Exercise has not been a flourishing export, and campanology largely remains the special art of the Church of England.

## CLOSE RELATIONSHIP

'For 80 years the relationship in Sussex between Church and ringers has been close, and it may be, as too often happens in such a situation, that on occasions we have tended to take each other a little for granted. Congregations grow accustomed to hearing the bells rung without stopping to ask themselves who does the ringing, and, dare I say it, now and then ringers have been known to become more regular in their attendance in the belfry than in the church.

'So it is right that we should remind ourselves tonight of the vital part the Church must play in our own lives if our ringing is to be as it should be, first and foremost an act of worship to God.

'And if the Church is vital to our well-being as ringers, perhaps we may also remind ourselves that we have an important service to offer the Church.

'We may sometimes think that the bells are taken for granted, but let us make no mistake, if they were once silenced there would be no shortage of parishioners to deplore their passing. England would not be England without the sound of the bells ringing over the fields to summon the faithful to worship. Let us also remember that for many—too many—the sound of the bells is the only part of the Church's message that they hear. They may cut themselves off from the word of God; they may never hear a hymn sung, a sermon preached, a prayer or scripture read, but they cannot escape the message of the bells.

'So let us continue with a good will in our witness to the Church on the bells. Who knows where or when their sound may stir a sleeping conscience and draw back to the church door some who might otherwise forget its very existence. And let us with thankful hearts honour the Church which calls us into being in this Association, and which, week



MR. R. V. JOHNSON

by week in our Sunday ringing, it is our joy and privilege to serve.

The Bishop of Lewes (the Right Rev. J. H. L. Morrell), who replied, said he could recall with great clearness his first knowledge of the existence of bells. At the age of four at the country vicarage where he lived he heard the gardener bellowing a reference to the bells as those so and so clangers.

## BRIGHTON'S SILENT TOWER

There was one silent tower in Brighton—St. Paul's, West Street, which once possessed an admirable ring, but they were disposed of because the structure would not support the bells—only the tenor remained. His grandmother told him she well remembered St. Paul's bells ringing out over Brighton. They were the gift of a Mr. Wagner, a notable builder of churches. Asked why he provided the bells, Mr. Wagner replied that he wanted as many people in Brighton as possible to find their vocation of service to the Church—not only in service but in something which was their joy and delight—such as bellringers and choristers. There were many who longed to be in church but were hindered by age or infirmity; the church was brought to them by the bells.

Concluding, the Bishop said: 'I thank you all all heart, on behalf of the parish priests in Sussex for all you do and the joy that comes out of your ringing, because this world is starving for joy. The message of the bells is joy and it is joy for which the world is starved.'

The toast of 'The Sussex County Association' was proposed by Mr. F. A. Barnett, honorary secretary of the Central Council. He recalled that his first visit to Sussex was to find a wife and it was at a time when there was a ban on ringing during the war.

## THE FOUNDER REMEMBERED

Probably many of them knew that the Sussex County Association was formed in Brighton mainly through the efforts of Mr. George Attree, churchwarden at St. Peter's and a man of money and influence. He was able to bring a lot of influence to bear on what they referred to as the gentry and clergy of the town. The meeting was held in two parts—and at the first, the inaugural meeting, no fewer than 25 towers and 250 people joined the Association.

Among the things Mr. Attree did for ringing outside the county was to contribute to 'The Bell News' an analysis of peals rung by associations and guilds. Mr. Barnett thought he must have made sure that the Sussex County Association came top at the end of each year. He must have run round the towers and made sure they rang peals. Angmering and Warnham each rang a tremen-

dous number of peals. Warnham rang one on Christmas Day, but it finished just after 7 a.m.; the next day they rang two peals and in that month 25 peals.

Mr. Attree built up an excellent band at Brighton, and up to the end of the century they were the outstanding band in the country. They held ringing weeks and rang in an enormous number of Surprise methods. These included the first peal of Bristol, Frank Bennett, who was one of them, was his grandfather-in-law. That band included such ringers as George Williams, George Baker and Keith Hart.

Later came the famous band under Oliver Sippetts which rang the first peal of four spliced. At Henfield there was another splendid band, that won distinction as a village band by ringing first peals of Surprise. On handbells they rang a peal of Stedman Cinques, the fourth of Stedman Cinques.

Looking at a report of the 10th annual meeting he noticed that the chairman gave a talk on the history of bells. He appealed to clergy present never to give the history of bells. He supposed, in a way, the most outstanding ringer Sussex had supplied to the Exercise was John Goldsmith, founder of 'The Ringing World.' He was first of all a fine practical ringer who was regarded as one of the coming men. 'The Bell News' commented: 'If everyone did as Mr. Goldsmith did and put the very best into ringing they would find it difficult not to ring well, but difficult to ring badly.'

Their first three Masters were Mr. George Attree, Mr. Tomkins and Mr. J. T. Rickman, who was responsible for the excellent tea they had today at St. Peter's, Brighton. For some years Mr. Rickman was their representative on the Central Council.

## THE FUTURE

As to the future they would have noticed that the character of the church services was slowly changing. Evensong, which some of them had been accustomed to attend, and the service they attended in their youth, had rather lost its place in the order of services of the Church and in some parishes the emphasis was on the parish Communion instead of the old-fashioned Matins and Evensong. If the services were held at the usual time they presented no problems, but in his own church they had parish Communion starting at 9.15 a.m. The church was not going to change its services to allow the bells to be rung. They ought to consider whether they ought to alter their ways and find themselves ringing at times when normally it was not desirable. It was something they had to face and it would not do them any good not to think of it.

Another point was whether their system of monthly District meetings was right? He thought it was true of their Association, and also the Kent Association, that ever since it had been formed into Districts they had held monthly meetings. People could now get about much easier and the system of District meetings might not be the best.

Mr. R. W. R. Percy, secretary of the Association, said he would like to thank all those people who were responsible for the dinner. They had had a wonderful dinner and he did not think any association could have had a better room, and they were most grateful to the Mayor for providing it.

There had been a lot of suggestions and questions asked concerning how they stood today. The Sussex Association was now ably supported not only by its young ringers, but its lady ringers. If they looked at their report they would find many towers relied on lady ringers. They were very grateful to them.

As they knew from their rules their Association was having its problem, like the present government, on the financial side. It was difficult for them to produce the report they liked to produce, but this year's report would be better than the previous. He hoped that at their annual meeting in May they would be in a position of having many more individual members. With all of them as individual members they could pay their way.

**CASSOCK AND SURPLICE**

Mr. W. Leslie Weller, in a happy speech, proposed 'The Visitors.' He said he was of opinion that the relationship between the clergy and the ringers in their diocese was very good. The Exercise at times was accused of not stopping for services; this was in the main not true to day, although it might have been 50 years ago. Today one was more likely to rush to don cassock and surplice than to leave the church. They would not have enjoyed their 80th year celebration if it had not been for their guests and they were delighted to have them with them.

The Mayor of Brighton replied and said that when he was a young man he was taught to ring at Southover so he was not a stranger to the art they practised. He was rather surprised that after 80 years they were still an Association. It seemed to him that they ought to have established this as a Guild to perpetuate it. His Worship added that he had been a member of the Guild of Servants of the Sanctuary for 40 years and on behalf of all the guests he thanked the Association for such a wonderful dinner in such a wonderful atmosphere.

A well-struck course of Grandsire Caters followed rung by Mrs. Hairs 1-2, E. Rapley 3-4, F. I. Hairs 5-6, L. Weller 7-8, Geo. Francis 9-10.

Bringing the formal proceedings to a close, the Master asked the members to make a special note in their diaries on January 24th, 1985, when they would celebrate their centenary! They had had a wonderful evening and it would be a great mistake to let another 20 years or even 10 years pass before they met again. He thanked all those who had worked so hard for the success of the evening and, in particular, Mr. Arthur Riddington for his splendid services as master of ceremonies.

**THE COMPANY**

Others present, apart from the top table, included Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Blackman, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. W. Challen, Mr. and Mrs. Diserens sen., Mr. and Mrs. R. Diserens, Mr. and Mrs. A. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. G. Faiers, Mr. and Mrs. B. Farhall, Mr. and Mrs. G. Francis, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Harniss, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. J. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. K. Knight, Mr. and Mrs. J. Leppard, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Oatway, Mr. and Mrs. Patten, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Ponting, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Riddington, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Sheppard, Mr. and Mrs. D. Slater, Mr. and Mrs. E. Treagus, Mr. and Mrs. R. Wake, Mr. and Mrs. H. Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. R. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Woolven and Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Wood.

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**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**

THE winter general meeting of the Association was held at Halifax on January 16th. The larger than usual attendance justified the decision to have two towers available in the morning, when both Northwram and Elland bells were enjoyed. The belfry at All Souls', Haley Hill, was flooded out, but Mr. Henry Fielden had thoughtfully arranged for Queensbury bells to be used and a full belfry there rewarded his enterprise. The service was held at All Souls', in spite of the attendance of the fire engines to pump water from the belfry, and it was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. J. F. Walker.

Tea in the Crown Hotel was followed by the business meeting. Mr. Norman Chaddock invited the Association to hold its annual general meeting at Rotherham on May 1st, and Mr. John J. L. Gilbert reported that he was doing his best to arrange the Snowdon dinner in Sheffield on October 16th, 1965. Thanks were expressed to all who had helped in arranging the meeting, especially to Mr. Fielden, and to Mr. Harold Walker and the York Minster Society for the very enjoyable Snowdon dinner last October.

The steps taken by the committee, together with representatives of the nine District Societies in Yorkshire to form 'The Joint Council of Yorkshire Ringing Societies' were reported and approved unanimously. All the District Societies had agreed to join this council and had elected two representatives each. The Yorkshire Association then elected Mr. E. Hudson and Mr. W. F. Moreton as its two representatives. The first meeting of the Joint Council will be at York on February 6th.

The aims of the Joint Council are:

1. To represent all ringers in Yorkshire;
2. To promote an annual festival;
3. To provide a forum for the discussion of common problems;
4. To exchange ideas for the education and training of young ringers;
5. To consider a unified annual report;
6. To co-ordinate efforts for the furtherance of our art.

The fine modern ring of twelve at the Parish Church was rung after the meeting under the direction of the Western District Ringing Master, Mr. Gordon Benfield, his order of the day being 'Twelve-bell ringing only.'

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

The annual meeting of the Monmouth Branch took place at Chepstow on January 9th, when 60 were able to keep the ring of ten bells busy during the afternoon and evening.

The choral service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. J. Barrie-Evans; Mr. Austin Thomas was at the organ, and the lesson was read by Richard Owen, a Chepstow ringer. Tea was afterwards served in the Church Hall, and Mr. George Ward, of Abergavenny, thanked the Chepstow ringers who had given and prepared this.

Before the business meeting, members stood in silence to remember Mr. G. Monk, of St. Mellons, who had died on January 1st, aged 90. Amongst the many items of business was the election of Mr. Lionel Jones, tower leader at Usk, to the office of Branch Master. New members were elected from Usk, Abergavenny and Chepstow. Mention was made of a Branch member, Mr. William Horsington, who had been made a Freeman of Abergavenny in recognition of his great public service to the town.

Meeting places decided upon for the year were: Nash on May 8th, Bedwelty on July 10th and Bleanavon on October 9th. Ebbw Vale was chosen for the next annual Branch meeting.

**WARMINSTER RINGERS' DINNER**

The sixth annual dinner of the Minster Bellingers' Guild took place on January 9th when 31 members and friends sat down, under the chairmanship of the captain, Mr. N. G. Knee, to an excellent repast of turkey. Guests present included the Vicar and Mrs. Freemar, Mr. and Mrs. Pearson (Haslemere), Mr. and Mrs. C. White (Corsley), Mr. F. Slatford (North Bradley) and Mr. G. Grant (coach-driver for outings).

In a welcoming speech Mr. Knee thanked all present for the wonderful support which he receives each year from the ringers and their lady supporters, who help keep the Minster bells ringing twice on every Sunday for church services, which is the main function of the ringing band.

A varied and delightful entertainment followed: Messrs. Slatford, Knee, Shepherd and Norris (change ringing on handbells); Mr. and Mrs. Pearson and Catherine (songs, monologues, and tune ringing on handbells); and Mr. E. G. Shepherd a short introductory talk to the recording of bellringing, which sells with the book on ringing, which he has written. The record was played over by Mr. L. Hawkins to the delight of all. Other recorded music was provided as usual by Mr. Hawkins and arrangements for the event were once again in the capable hands of Mr. P. Roynon.

**PORTSMOUTH CATHEDRAL**

At the recently-held annual general meeting of the Ringers' Guild an interesting report was submitted by the Guild chairman. It included an account of his proposals for the formation of a Portsmouth Collegiate Ringers' Society, as a guest society of the Cathedral Guild, for the mutual benefit of both bodies. This has been approved by the Provost, carried into effect largely by students of the College of Technology, and is now functioning for Sunday Service ringing and practices at the Cathedral: with a weekly meeting for theory-study and silent-bell practice. The secretary is Mr. Ronald Bowron, c/o The College of Technology, Portsmouth.

Tower Guild officers for the ensuing year are: President, the Provost, the Very Rev. E. N. Porter Goff; Vice-president (life), A. Yorke-Bramble (chairman); Secretary-treasurer, Mrs. E. Jones; Tower Captain and Belfry Keeper, Alan Buswell; Auditor, R. M. Parker; Rest of committee members: F. Edwards, Mrs. C. Oliver, A. Dixon.

Another group of beginners is undergoing initial training.

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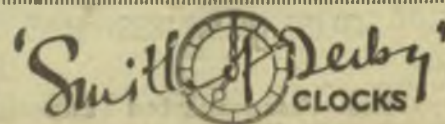
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## Letters to the Editor

### Conductor's Views on Limpsfield Chart Peal

Dear Sir,—As conductor of the peal to which Mr. Stevens refers in his letter (page 36), I must firstly refute his belief and state that rounds occurred only at the end of each extent. I am not aware of any factors which would invalidate the performance and I trust that the rest of the band share the same opinion.

I cannot, however, leave the matter at a plain rebuttal. I think there is already far too much back-biting between various factions of the Exercise through the columns of 'The Ringing World.' This accusation is yet another example of the damage which can be done by the 'finger-pointers' of the Exercise, for in truth the damage is already done. How easy it is to indict and how hard to vindicate. The reputations of those in the band will suffer not to mention that of their home towers and more important that of the parent Association. I believe that Mr. Stevens acted in good faith but must we take ringing so seriously that we should, in the name of 'the good of the Exercise,' destroy much of the goodwill and respect which exist?—Yours sincerely,

CHRISTOPHER F. MEW.

### Heathen in our Midst

Dear Sir,—What a joy the correspondence of fellow-ringers has become, now that it has been turned into a guessing-game; and what an unexpectedly varied—nay, motley—crew we appear to be, Atheist, Anarchist—and what's this?—Cornishman, no less! Blessed indeed are we all, now that the bad old days of the no-pseudonym rule have vanished, leaving 'The Ringing World' more colourful (albeit more bewildering) publication.

Would it be possible to take this delightful evolution a stage further, and make it a rule that no letter will be published except under an imaginative pom-de-plume? Then none of us need be afraid to express the most startling and controversial views. We may even dispute the cost of 'The Ringing World' without fear of retribution, or ostracism.

There are, of course, one or two snags to this idea. (There always are.) For one thing, nobody will know what anyone else is really thinking. And take the cases before us, of Atheist and Anarchist—to the majority of us their identities will ever remain a mystery, thus balking us—good Christians as we all apparently purport to be—of the chance of converting the heathen in our midst. But perhaps this is what our unknown friends intended when they decided not to come out into the open with their convictions; I had thought at first that it must be because they lacked the necessary courage.

Many thanks again for the new game. Unfortunately, I have no imagination at all, and as 'Disgusted' has become rather hackneyed, must reluctantly sign myself—Yours faithfully,  
D. A. BRAY.  
Whitchurch, Tavistock.

### John Wilnar

Dear Sir.—Further to your article on the bells of SS. Peter and Paul's, Newchurch, Kent, perhaps I may answer the query about John Welmer (sic), on page 7.

Firstly, his name was in fact John Wilnar, not Welmer, and I am surprised that the expert in question has not met any of his bells before. During the years 1618 to 1639 he turned out a large number of bells for Kent steeples from his foundry at Borden. Borden lies about one mile off the A.2, near Sittingbourne in Kent. Wilnar died on May 5th, 1640, and was buried in Borden Church. He was succeeded by a relative, Henry Wilnar, who had a very short career, being buried at Borden after dying on January 30th, 1644, and there are only two bells of his left, the third at Eastry and the tenor at Challock (two of the four at Challock 'disappeared' about ten years ago, but the Wilnar bell probably remains). The Wilnars were not natives of Borden, and where they came from is not known. Nor are there any bells of theirs in Borden Church, although there may have been before the present eight were cast in 1802—the tenor records a former ring of six. Stahlschmidt, writing in 1887, states that with two exceptions (black letter) the lettering of Wilnar was in Roman capitals, the same as those of Stephen Swan, whom the worthy Stahlschmidt had unsuccessfully tried to prove as Wilnar's predecessor.

I have had the pleasure of ringing at Newchurch twice in the last five years. On the former occasion it was discovered that the split in the tenor headstock was active to such a degree as to preclude the setting of the bell. I was left swinging on the end of the rope, and at the tender age of 16 vowed I would not touch a bell again (a vow which was never kept). Last year, some 3½ years after the above incident, we rang the front four; the draught is very long, the frame shifts terribly—it is medieval. The four Wilnar bells were augmented in 1845 by a Mears treble, since when I doubt if the bells have been touched. The 'go' is not so bad as one might expect, but the tone leaves something to be desired.—Yours truly,

Whitstable, Kent. DAVID CAWLEY.

### More about Staunton Harold

Dear Sir,—In reply to your readers who have asked who is responsible for ringing on the bells being banned at Staunton Harold, Leics, may I give the relevant details?

The wooden bell frame is in an advanced state of decay, and about two years ago the bell founders were consulted by the area secretary of the National Trust, Mr. J. Treanor. An estimate of £1,500 was submitted for the rehanging of the bells in a new frame, but the National Trust decided they could not set aside this amount for this purpose while other buildings in their charge were urgently in need of funds.—Yours faithfully,

THOMAS C. BELTON.  
Birstall, Leics.

### St. Andrew's, Newcastle on Tyne

Dear Sir,—I was most interested to read the reference to the bells of this church in last week's Belfry Gossip under the item 'Tyne-side Restorations.' I feel that further comment is called for, however, if only in the interests of factual reporting.

In the first place, the ring of six concerned could never have rung out in defiance of the Scots during the siege of Newcastle in 1644 as they were not in existence at that date. The bells were in fact cast by Richard Phelps at the Whitechapel Foundry in 1726, the tenor being about 16 cwt. (claimed in many early records as 19 cwt.).

Secondly, I consider that your correspondent is a trifle optimistic in implying a full restoration of the bells here. The bells are now very silent as they were lowered and removed to the Whitechapel Foundry in October of last year and work on tower repairs is continuing. I have been in touch with the Vicar on one or two occasions to obtain information about the future role of the bells and to offer advice and assistance with possible ringing, but he has always been most evasive in reply and claims that not enough money is yet to hand for the work. There is no tradition of ringing at this church as the bells have not been rung within living memory, and my own information is that the bells will probably be recast and rehung 'dead' for chiming only. I hope I may be proved wrong and the bells will be restored as a ring, but with the present attitude of the church authorities I cannot see any other prospect.—Yours sincerely,

K. ARTHUR.

Newcastle upon Tyne.

### Outings or Tower Grabs?

Dear Sir,—Many thanks to Mr. Maybrey for his interesting letter on Ringing Outings. However, I feel that he is confusing 'Ringing Outings' with 'Tower Grabs,' and therefore much of what he says is off the point.

I define 'tower grabbing' as attempting to ring as many towers as possible in as little time as possible, and this, I think, is to be discouraged, on the grounds that (a) it gives no pleasure to those taking part, and (b) it gives even less pleasure to those forced to listen.

Nothing sounds worse than bells rung far too fast (this inevitably results in heavy bells failing to come away from lead or clipping at dodges) or bells rung in a dilatory manner owing to the party being too anxious to get on to the next tower too soon.

To his suggestion of a Central Council Committee I would say 'no,' because it seems fantastically unworkable, and also that if Ringing Masters are to be regarded as responsible people (as presumably their election as such shows), they should not need watchdogs.

It has already seemed to me that many towers are closed to visiting parties, not because of damage done by them, but because of the attitude shown by some visitors to this matter. Obviously stays and ropes do get broken occasionally and surely the answer is either to repair or pay for the damage.—Yours faithfully,  
JOHN WEAVER.  
Southgate.

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## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

### Change of Officers in S.W. District

The departure of Frank Blagrove and his family for Southern Rhodesia at the end of last summer was a serious loss, even, as we hope, only a temporary one, for the South and West District where Frank had been a tower of strength and an enthusiastic district secretary since 1961. While members were trying to sort out their ideas of successor, the Association treasurer stepped into the breach then created and kept things going until the annual meeting which was held at Twickenham on January 16th.

To ease the way for the new secretary, the district committee had decided that the office should be relieved of the bulk of the financial side, including the collection of subscriptions — always one of the main tasks — by making the assistant secretary also treasurer for the district. On this basis, Mr. W. S. Deason, of Hampton, was elected secretary and Miss A. Horsforth, of All Hallows', Twickenham, assistant secretary and treasurer. The chairman, Mr. D. Fowles; the ringing master, Mr. J. Hill; and the auditor, Mr. J. B. Sansom, were all re-elected. Mr. P. A. Lawrence, of Hampton, was elected deputy ringing master in place of David Struckett, who would be going abroad later in the year. Also leaving the district is Michael Bartlett, of Staines, and his position on the central committee was filled by Peter Bevington, of St. Mary's, Twickenham.

The accounts showed a welcome increase in subscriptions over the previous year with the district membership at the end of the year at exactly 200, although 19 of these, mostly unattached members, had not paid their subscriptions for 1964.

The year's activities showed a quiet year, some towers with increased membership, others with less. Among the latter, it was noted with regret that the band at St. Stephen's, Ealing, no longer exists and that Bill Cook's travelling over long distances to keep things going has been of no avail. The striking competition at Harefield in September had to be abandoned through lack of support. The report was adopted after discussion.

Five ringing members were elected, viz: N. F. Evans, of All Hallows', Twickenham; Patricia Copas, David Price and Mrs. J. Sexton, of Hillingdon, and C. Reader, Hampton, Colin Stevenson, of Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia was elected a non resident life member.

Ringling took place on the bells of both towers at Twickenham with a variety of methods rung, as well as rounds and call changes for the inexperienced.

The Twickenham ladies, led by Mrs. Lovell and Mrs. Turner, put on their usual good tea which, together with their warm welcome, contributed so much to a successful and happy meeting.

## DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

### Chesterfield District

In spite of the almost continuous rain and the attraction of neighbouring F.A. Cup ties some 25 members and friends braved the elements to attend the District's first meeting in the New Year at Dronfield on January 9th. Ringing on the pleasant octave was under the new Ringing Master, Mr. C. J. Hughes (Old Whittington).

Mr. D. Cooper (Bolsover) presided at the business meeting which followed tea at the Green Dragon. The question of attracting more members to meetings was fully discussed and it was decided to have two special meetings for practice at future meetings — one elementary and the other advanced. Despite leaks in the tower with rain dripping on ringers, of 1, 2 and 3 further ringing was enjoyed.

Next meeting: March 13th, Dove (8), provisional, Special methods, Double Bob and Bristol. M.P.P.

## BATH & WELLS ASSOCIATION

### Frome Branch

Ringers from a wide area gathered at Shepton Mallet for the Frome Branch A.G.M. on January 9th. Ringing ranged from rounds to London Major and ended with an excellent touch of Stedman Triples for service. The Rector, the Rev. L. A. B. White, conducted the service, attended by 70 members, with a local young ringer, Mr. John Rose, playing the organ.

After a sumptuous tea, the meeting was held under the chairmanship of the Rev. Mr. Durston. The Branch secretary, Mr. E. Chivers, in his report for 1964, said that there was increased activity but no overall increase in membership. He complimented Hemington and Wanstrow ringers on their excellent progress, and also stated that the average attendance for meetings during the year was 47.

The retiring officers were all re-elected and 16 new names were proposed for membership. A long discussion took place over a proposal by Mr. Heyman that a striking competition should be held, the decision being deferred until the spring meeting.

Mr. G. W. Massey, Association peal secretary, asked for the co-operation of all the members in making this a record year for peals as on May 31st, 1965, the Association is 75 years old. In the vote of thanks he made special mention of Mrs. Curtis and her helpers for an excellent tea.

D. T. H. R.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

### Cambridge District A.D.M.

Though ringing at St. Bene't's had been arranged for 3 p.m. all the ropes had to be found and fitted before it was possible to begin ringing on January 9th. St. Andrew-the-Great's ringing chamber was not as crowded as in some previous years but methods and call-changes were rung to suit all tastes.

Canon A. L. Woodard conducted the service there, at which Mr. T. R. Wheeler played the organ, and later nearly fifty sat down to 'a glorious tea,' followed by the business meeting.

The Secretary's report recorded that meetings had been held each month, visiting 16 out of the 30 towers, and regretted that ringing at Guilden Morden and Littleton had declined. However, teaching was in progress at Little Shelford and Stapleford, and there was renewed interest at Bottisham and Chesterton. There were 108 ringing members. The Belfry Repair Fund stood at £48 9s. 10d., no bell restoration withdrawals had taken place that year, though members were reminded that there was still quite a large number of unringable towers in the area.

Officers elected were: President, Canon A. L. Woodard; ringing master, S. Brown, secretary and treasurer, B. D. Threlfall; belfry repair fund secretary and treasurer, B. Pratt (Mr. T. Reginald Dennis wished to retire); district committee, W. Newman, H. F. Churchman, J. G. Gipson and E. W. Bullman. District representatives nominated were G. Pearson, E. W. Bullman and B. Horrell. Miss J. A. Ivy, of Trumpington, was elected a member, and five non-resident life members' elections were ratified.

February meeting: Swaffham Prior, ringing and service; Bottesham, tea, meeting and ringing. J.S.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

### Marlborough Branch

Despite the atrocious weather, a successful meeting of the Marlborough Branch was held at West Overton on January 16th and members noted the various improvements to the tower through the efforts of Capt. Mansfield-Robinson. These included the installation of electric lighting complete with emergency equipment, in case of a mains failure.

Ringling was supervised by the Rev. Roger Keeley, district ringing master, the service conducted by the Vicar (Rev. N. A. Scudding) and a bountiful tea served under the direction of Mrs. J. D. Mansfield-Robinson and helpers. They were thanked by Mr. G. Newman. Owing to the high wind and heavy rain the intended visit to East Kennett was reluctantly cancelled. W.A.E.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION

### Southern District

THERE are bells on the hill outside Redhill, and when the Southern District of the Surrey Association held its annual meeting there on January 16th, the local inhabitants heard them ringing for a good part of the afternoon and evening.

The service was conducted by the Vicar of St. John's, the Rev. S. J. Dyer, who gave a spirited address on the message of the bells, calling Methodist, Presbyterian, and C. of E., each to his own particular place of worship. This he said was a magnificent example of church unity in these days of declining congregations.

Fifty ringers had tea in the Meadvale Village Hall before the start of the business meeting. Firstly, the Master, Mr. T. Bird, welcomed the towers of St. Martin's and Christ Church, Epsom, Ashted and Ranmore into the Southern District. There followed the election of five new members, Mrs. Dallison and Messrs. Brazier, Gocher, Stevens and Warren.

In his report the secretary said that 1964 had been a year to remember, being the year in which Mr. A. P. Cannon achieved his thousandth peal, and Mr. A. Bull his hundredth in one tower. The total of members had increased, and the average attendance at meetings had risen to thirty-one. The joint meeting with the Kent County Association at Oxted and Limpsfield had been a great success.

Nine peals had been rung in the District, including the first of Double Norwich by a resident band. The quarter peal total of twenty-eight was by no means complete as a number had not been published in 'The Ringing World,' and he therefore appealed to conductors to send all their quarters to the 'R.W.' for publication. After a six-sided election fight for the places on the committee, the resulting three names were the same as last year except for the addition of Mr. G. West to its ranks after his resignation as honorary secretary and treasurer, and the moving of Mr. K. Game into his place. The Master thanked Mr. West for his five years of service in what was the most demanding job in the District.

Mr. C. H. Cook was elected 'Ringing World' representative. Extensive discussion followed the Master's proposal for the formation of volunteer bands to assist struggling towers. As no definite decision was reached, the Master suggested that it be left to the committee to decide the best course of action.

Finally Mr. West read a letter he had received from Mr. Chesley, of Merstham, drawing members' attention to the fact that St. Katherine's bells were now ringing again after rehanging and augmenting to eight. Practices were being held on Wednesday nights and any help would be greatly appreciated in training a new band.

## SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

The January meeting of the Society was held at Sheffield Cathedral and St. Marie's. The afternoon's ringing took place at St. Marie's where a good standard was maintained.

Tea was arranged in St. Marie's Institute where the ringers received a cordial welcome from Canon Collins. During the business meeting the proposed Yorkshire Council of Ringers was discussed and the meeting elected two representatives to serve on it.

After tea ringing continued at the Cathedral, where methods from Bob Major to Yorkshire Royal and Stedman Cinques were rung.

Next meeting, Harthill and Killamarsh on February 6th. J.C.

## BARNSELY & DISTRICT SOCIETY

It was decided at the meeting of the Society at Horbury, near Wakefield, on January 9th to submit to the A.G.M. at Barnsley on February 13th new rules for the control of contests. Nine towers were represented and the vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. W. Moreton.

# MR. CLAUDE RUSH DELVES INTO 'CHURCH BELLS'

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## ALL SAINTS', NEWCASTLE

11 Oct., — The bells of this church were opened by the Union Society of Newcastle Change Ringers with a peal of Holt's Grandsire Trebles, 5,040 changes in 3 hours 1 minute. Tenor 19 cwt., being that glorious day when Admiral Duncan gallantly defeated the Dutch fleet off Camperdown, on the coast of Holland, and captured nine ships of the line and two frigates.

## ST. JAMES', BARROW-IN-FURNESS

12 Oct., 1878, for the first time in the district, half peal of Holt's ten-part Grandsire Triples, 2,520 changes in 1 hr. 28 mins. Tenor 15½ cwt. These bells were obtained by public subscription and dedicated on 25 July, 1877—St. James' Day. The bells were supplied and the work done by Mr. Mallaby of Masham.

## ST. MARY-LE-TOWER, IPSWICH

22 Oct. 1878, 5,021 Grandsire Caters, 3 hrs. 26 mins. Tenor 32 cwt. It is worthy of note that this is the first peal that has been rung in the present tower and it is upwards of twenty-eight years since one has been accomplished in Ipswich. Several attempts have been made but have proved unsuccessful.

## LAMERTON, DEVON

8 Oct., 1878, Church rebuilt after fire. Six old bells recast by Warners, Tenor 11 cwt. Now reopened.

## MONKLEIGH, DEVON

5 Sep., 1878. Bells reopened, augmented to 6 and rehung by Hooper and Stokes of Woodbury.

## APPLETON, BERKS.

9 Nov., 1878. The members of the Appleton Society of Change-ringers paid a last tribute of respect to the memory of the late Mr. G. White (the oldest member of the White family) by ringing on the muffled bells of the parish church 5,040 Grandsire Triples, 2 hrs. 58 mins. F. S. White on the treble and F. White, conductor, on 6th.

## ST. ANDREW'S, STEYNING, SUSSEX

Rev. M. G. Vine, Curate, writes: 'Our 6 bells being found to be unsafe, have been entirely rehung with new wheels, stocks, stays, etc., by Mr. J. Dalby, builder of Steyning, under the direction and supervision of Messrs. Creed and Dalby, Architects and Surveyors, of 40, Gt. Marlborough St., London.' The writer went on to say how well the ringers behaved and attended church, that they were not paid fixed salaries, and were instructed in change-ringing by Mr. H. Burstow, of Horsham, through the kindness of Colonel Ingram of Steyning. The paper praises their efforts and concludes, 'it would have afforded additional pleasure to the ringing community had we been able to chronicle at the same time the increase of the ring to 8. Amid the wealth of the neighbourhood we imagine that a strenuous effort made in that direction would be crowned with success.'

## MONKLEIGH, DEVON

An apparatus known as the dumb-bell practice apparatus invented by Mr. E. Seage of Exeter to assist learners in acquiring the art of scientific change-ringing has recently been fixed by him in the church steeple. The appliance has been successfully tested by the ringers. The apparatus has now become prevalent in Devonshire and the locality, and has proved itself a boon to ringers.

## CHARING, KENT

The dedication service of a ring of 6 bells (the gift of Bishop Tuffnell) was held 7 Nov., 1878. There was a numerous attendance. Bishop Tuffnell conducted the service after which a peal was rung by ringers from Mersham. Bells cast by Taylors and hung by Henty Bond of Burford, Oxford.

## JONATHAN PAVIER.

aged at least 99,

Royal Cumberland Society.—'All hail to Jonathan Pavier, the ringer aged 100 years.' On Saturday, 1 June, 1878... at St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green, 5,024 Kent T.B. Major in 3 hours 5 minutes. 'This performance celebrated a double event, being the anniversary of the presentation of a handsome testimonial to the conductor (John Cox) by his friends and in commemoration of Jonathan Pavier reaching his 100th birthday on 30 May, 1878.' (There seems to be some discrepancy in reports as to exactly when Jonathan became 100. In a recent item in these extracts, under the sub-heading 'The Sanitary Influence of Bellingring and its Melodies,' his birthday is shown as 31 May, 1779. If that date is correct, the commemorative peal took place at the commencement of his 100th year—a remarkable and joyful occasion anyhow!—C.R.)

He personally knew the celebrated John Noonan has been a Cumberland for nearly 70 years and is thought to be the first ringer who has lived to be a centenarian.' There was also a date touch of Stedman Triples at Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford, in his honour.

## ST. JAMES', BOLTON, NEAR BRADFORD

16 Nov., 1878, 10,176 Kent T.B. Major, 5 hrs. 59 mins. 'the longest peal ever rung by the Society.' Tenor 15 cwt. rung by J. W. Snowdon. The first peal ever on the bells, which were opened 30 Oct. and have been placed in the tower by the munificent liberality of Atkinson Jowett Esq., who also defrayed the entire cost of the erection of this Church. The bells... were cast and hung by Messrs. Shaw & Son, of Bradford, and are the first entire ring ever cast in that town. They are hung in two tiers.

## ST. MICHAEL'S, HEADINGLEY, LEEDS

2 Nov., 1878, 5,040 Treble Bob Minor, 3 hrs. 1 min. Tenor 12 cwt. 'the first peal of 5,000 ever rung on these bells.'

## EVESHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE

A new clock and set of chimes at a cost of nearly £2,000 has just (No. 1878) been erected in the Abbey Tower. Messrs. Gillett and Bland, entrusted with the work, appear to have given satisfaction. The quarter chimes are the 'Westminster' and there are seven tunes 'pricked' upon the barrel, it being arranged that a change can be effected daily—that for Sunday being the old favourite 'Hanover.' The clock faces (East and West fronts) have been regilded by a local artist. 'To complete fully their task, we beg to suggest to the worthy Vicar and Churchwardens the advisability of rehanging the bells (8) and organising a new company of young ringers, who should be trained by an efficient person to ring at all times decently and in order... Scientific half-pull ringing, in 1866, was unknown in the place... and no intelligence has yet reached us of any signs of a healthy movement being made in the direction of belfry reform...'

The next issue of 'Church Bells' records that on 15 Nov., 1878, by invitation of the Vicar 'nine members of the Worcester Cathedral Society rang touches of Grandsire Triples on the Abbey bells, it being the formal opening of the new clock and chimes. The bells were rehung and fitted with new frame some time since... Tenor 30 cwt.'

## ALL SAINTS, SHERBURN, YORKS.

Two of the ring of six have been recast and the others returned, all rehung in a new massive oak cage by Mr. Mallaby of Masham. The bells were opened on All Saints' Day, 1878—tenor 15 cwt. Services were held at 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Many clergy from the neighbourhood were present and took part in the services.

## FIRST TOUR OF THE YEAR

A TOUR in 1965 could hardly have been held before the first Saturday in the year and accordingly on January 2nd, six ringers brave the icy conditions to arrive at noon outside St. Mary's Church, Stoke Abbott, Dorset. This is a 14 cwt. five and we congratulate ourselves on having a spare ringer. At Broadwindsor, a touch of Grandsire started, then 'Let's have a quarter' cries John Cornelius and promptly calls one. While ringing two more members arrive and with eight, confidence—as if it was ever lacking—returns.

Off to Devon, only just, Hawkchurch, where the gentleman appointed to greet us has the key he also has a sense of humour and watches with glee, from the shadows, as our representative knocks on the door of a house. We find the bells very musical and during our short stay we have a ring with their second in command.

Uplyme and Dorset again, Charmouth St. Andrew's, a Mears and Stainbank three of 1836, now running on Messrs Taylor's ball bearings and surely not the 15 cwt. alleged. The bells down we prepare to leave, but hold our band grows, this three is irresistible, the bells are raised again and all are satisfied.

The fine eight of Whitechurch Canonorum follow, home of another Arcscott, one is already with us to watch the striking, and then down to the five at Chideock where Miss Atkey and Mrs. Pannell from Beaminster join us, Symondsburly, Bradpole and Lodders fall, for some, in quick succession, at the latter we fill the cold, clear evening air with some spirited carol singing as we wend our way down the church path.

Northwards to Netherbury, whose captain and his lady, Mr. and Mrs. Davis, had joined us earlier, before the eight of Beaminster bring the proceedings to a close.

It may be fairly added that the day's ringing was much enjoyed and our thanks are due to Melvyn Hillier who contributed much invaluable spawework. J.C.S./K.C.J.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

### West Lindsey Branch

As in former years the annual meeting of the West Lindsey Branch was held at All Saints', Gainsborough. The ringing on this melodious octave on January 16th included the special methods selected for this meeting—Bob Triples and Gainsborough Little Bob. The Vicar, Canon J. E. Roberts, conducted a shortened form of Evensong and gave the address.

By 6.15 p.m. the ringers had worked up big appetites for the excellent tea prepared by the local ladies in the Church School Hall. At the business meeting, presided over by the Vicar, the Branch secretary (Mr. Lunn) reported some well attended meetings during the year despite a drop in membership. The balance sheet was approved. The places and dates for Branch meetings were arranged, the next being Blyton on February 27th, and the outing this year is to Loughborough.

The president asked Mr. J. Bray, Master of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, to present the Sunday Service Ringing Cup to Mr. Denton, captain of the Stow ringers, who narrowly beat Saxilby, holders of the cup since it was given to the Branch.

Mr. G. E. Fairn concluded the meeting with votes of thanks to the Vicar, organist and, last but not least, the ladies who had prepared such a splendid tea.

Ringings was then resumed on the six bells at Lea. T. A. G.

## ST. ANDREW'S, GARGRAVE, YORKSHIRE

18 May, 1878.—5,040 changes in seven Treble Bob methods, 3 hours 18 minutes. Tenor 16 cwt. 'Supposed to be the first true 5,000 ever accomplished in Craven.'

## ST. MICHAEL'S, GARSTON, near LIVERPOOL

18 May, 1878.—5,088 Kent T.B. Major, 3 hours 22 minutes. Bells recently cast by Warners of London.

**OBITUARY**

**MR. J. W. LAKE**

With much regret we report the death of Mr. J. W. Lake, of 72, West Street, Bourne, Lincolnshire, on January 7th, at the age of 86.

Mr. Lake was born in Bourne Fen and lived the whole of his life in that area. He married in 1903, and came to reside in Bourne, following his trade as joiner wheelwright. As a ringer he was especially well known in South Lincs. An excellent striker and in his younger days as a six bell conductor, he was unsurpassed, and had called many multi-method Spliced Surprise Minor peals. He took part in the first known spliced peal in 14 methods, conducted by the late Rev. H. Law James in 1911 at Edenham. He was also an excellent ringer on eight- and ten bells. The number of peals to his credit is not known, but possibly number around 200. He is survived by his widow, Mr. and Mrs. Lake celebrated their diamond wedding in April, 1963, and received congratulations from the Queen.

The funeral service was held in Bourne Abbey Church on January 12th, and in his memory a half-muffled quarter peal was rung in the evening on the Abbey bells, where he had been leader and conductor for many years.  
C. T. H. B.

**MR. W. G. HISCOTT  
AN APPRECIATION**

Mr. Tom G. Myers writes:

I would like to add my tribute, to that of H. H. T.'s, on the passing of our old friend 'Bill' Hiscott. I had known him since my earliest childhood and been on many ringing excursions and had the privilege of standing in some of his peals.

'Bill' joined the Guild of Devonshire Ringers in June, 1901, and rang his first peal on October 3rd, 1903 (Grandsire Triples on H.M. Dockyard bells), and on December 3rd (just two months after) he rang in his first peal on ten at Charles Church, Plymouth (Grandsire Caters). He rang a number of peals before World War I, and between the two wars was one of the pioneers of 'Surprise' ringing in Devon and rang in the first 720 of Surprise Minor (Cambridge) on December 27th, 1924, at Holbeton.

He was a first class striker and his peals total for the Guild was noted for quality rather than quantity.

He was the last of the band that rang in the peal of Grandsire Caters on Exeter Cathedral bells on January 14th, 1905; and also Grandsire Cinques on January 9th, 1926, the Caters being the first on the bells by a resident band, while the Cinques was the first twelve bell peal by resident members of the Guild.

**MR. R. VEEVES**

A well-known Petersfield resident and ringer at Buriton and Petersfield died on January 5th, aged 63. He was a founder member of the Petersfield Rotary Club and took a practical interest in the Scout movement. His younger son, Andrew, rings in London with the University ringers.

The funeral service was held at Buriton on January 11th when ringers from Warnford, Liss and Buriton rang full-muffled after the service. There was ringing again in the evening, but the quarter peal of Doubles was unsuccessful. The following Sunday evening he was remembered with gratitude in a quarter peal rung at Petersfield.

**MR. EDWIN HUNT**

For 39 years a ringer at St. Michael's, Yorktown, Camberley, Mr. Edwin Hunt died on January 13th, aged 73. At the funeral service on January 19th, attended by as many local ringers as could leave work, the Vicar described him as, "a humble and unassuming Christian man, ready to do a good turn if possible." An in memoriam quarter peal, with the bell half-muffled, was rung in the evening.

Ed, as he was known, was born in Wiltshire and taught himself to ring on the four at Christon, near Devizes. Never a change ringer, he was a good tenor man who loved good striking. He had a few peals to his credit. His last pull was on November 1st when he told us of his impending admission to hospital.

**QUARTER PEALS**

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On Jan. 10th, 1,440 Primrose Surprise Minor: Katharine M. Guy 1, Margaret C. Godfrey 2, Wendy C. Wallace (first in the method) 3, E. G. H. Godfrey 4, C. H. Maevé 5, A. M. Maevé (first in the method 'inside' cond.) 6. Also on Jan. 17th, 1,272 Spliced Surprise Minor (in six methods): R. Rayfield 1, Katharine M. Guy 2, Wendy C. Wallace 3, Margaret C. Godfrey 4, E. G. H. Godfrey 5, A. M. Maevé (cond.) 6. First of 6-spliced by all the hand except conductor. For Evensong.

**ALWALTON, HUNTS.**—On Jan. 9th, 720 St. Martin's, 720 St. Simon's: W. Culpin 1, G. Davis 2, A. Waller 3, F. Sismey 4, R. Spencer (cond.) 5. An 84th birthday compliment to priest-in-charge, Dr. C. J. Grimes.

**CHICHESTER, SUSSEX.**—On Jan. 10th, at the Cathedral, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss F. Daintrey (first quarter) 1, Miss A. M. Smith 2, Miss F. Pocock 3, Miss E. W. Keys 4, M. J. Wake 5, W. Riddle 6, P. Stevens (first as cond.) 7, D. M. Boniface 8. Rung for the Epiphany Processional service.

**DITCHLING, SUSSEX.**—On Dec. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: N. J. Wright 1, Frances Gilbert 2, Kathleen Baldwin 3, A. W. Bond 4, D. P. Treble 5, S. W. Brown (cond.) 6, D. P. Snowswell 7, R. H. Gilbert 8. Rung for the induction of Canon M. H. R. Synge, as the new Vicar.

**EXETER, DEVON.**—At the Cathedral, on Jan. 17th, 1,440 Plain Bob Maximus: W. Harvey 1, Miss J. Smith 2, H. C. Spencer 3, Miss D. Lissenden 4, A. Truman 5, G. Eyles 6, C. Yates 7, F. Wrcford 8, C. Reeves 9, C. Bryant 10, C. P. Yates 11, F. Mack and N. Mallett (cond.) 12. First of Maximus 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11.

**HASSOCKS, SUSSEX.**—On Jan. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Briggs 1, G. Harniss 2, C. Robinson 3, R. Drower 4, R. Peckham (first as cond.) 5, Miss C. Peckham 6. First quarter 1 and 6.

**KIRKBY-IN-ASHFIELD, NOTTS.**—On Jan. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss S. Tannert 1, Miss E. A. Hill (first quarter) 2, G. Allcock 3, E. A. Harrison (cond.) 4, M. J. Kirk 5.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes, on Jan. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Hilda E. Oatway 1, Marilyn C. Smith 2, Susan Davis (first 'inside') 3, C. Rogers 4, A. M. Stacey 5, W. F. Oatway (cond.) 6, A. Fulwell 7, R. G. Mitchell 8. For Matins.

**MARKET DRAYTON, SALOP.**—On Jan. 13th, 1,280 Superlative Surprise Major: A. M. Hickman 1, E. Roberts (first in method) 2, H. F. White 3, T. Price 4, F. Price 5, R. Hazeldine 6, S. J. Hughes 7, W. H. Tyler (cond.) 8.

**MIDDLETON, LANCS.**—On Dec. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. J. Smethurst 1, L. Miller 2, Mrs. K. Miller 3, Miss J. Reynolds 4, G. Rothwell 5, F. Reynolds (cond.) 6. For the 250th anniversary of the back six.

**NEWPORT, MON.**—On Dec. 28th, at All Saints' Church, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Penelope J. Welch 1, Mary Pryor 2, S. Fenwick 3, M. M. Peterson 4, T. Yeomans 5, M. J. Pryor 6, N. W. H. Simon 7, D. J. Llewellyn 8. Conducted jointly by D. J. Llewellyn and N. W. H. Simon.

**OLD SWINFORD, STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.**—On Jan. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples (comp. C. H. Woodberry): M. D. Fellows 1, J. Watr 2, G. Westwood 3, M. J. Fellows (cond.) 4, F. G. Handley 5, E. W. Penn 6, J. C. Eisel 7, R. J. Chance 8. Rung as a welcome to the Rev. H. L. Davies, inducted to the living this day.

**PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.**—On Jan. 10th, 1,280 Oxford Treble Bob Major: Mrs. W. Daw 1, B. Harris 2, G. S. Bush 3, W. R. Barker 4, F. T. Boyall 5, J. F. Bird 6, J. H. Bluff 7, R. H. Daw (cond.) 8. For evening service, and birthday compliment to B. Harris, G. S. Bush and L. Hadman.

**SAWLEY, DERBYS.**—On Jan. 17th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Nita West 1, Cynthia Webb 2, Mrs. Simpson 3, W. Simpson 4, A. Humphrey 5, J. Harvey 6, C. Geary 7, D. Marshall (cond.) 8. First of Major 1 and 3.

**SHERBORNE ABBEY, DORSET.**—On Jan. 14th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: G. Gaylard 1, T. E. Marks 2, D. Beaufoy 3, T. Look 4, W. E. Turner 5, H. Gaylard 6, T. J. Setter (cond.) 7, G. Coward 8.

**WOLSTANTON, STAFFS.**—On Dec. 28th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: Miss H. F. Pardoe 1, Miss A. M. Baldwin 2, Miss E. M. Snell 3, Miss B. G. Dale 4, A. P. Foster 5, R. Wharton 6, G. R. Mordaunt 7, A. G. Tyers (cond.) 8. A birthday compliment to Miss E. M. Snell.

**WORMINGFORD, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Bob Doubles: B. Lord (first quarter) 1, M. Warren (first 'inside') 2, E. Leggett (cond.) 3, J. Avis 4, N. Avis 5, H. Warren (first quarter) 6.

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**BELFRY GOSSIP**

**Correction.**—In the peal at Wallington, Herts, No. 32 of C.C. collection of Cambridge Minor was also rung.

Don't forget your 1964 Index. Free to those who send the Editor a stamped addressed envelope. Other years also available.

Ringers on the move.—Last Monday our office staff cut 21 new stencils mainly for subscribers changing their addresses.

The quarter peal rung at Solihull on January 17th was the first as conductor for Graham Palmer, who celebrated his 21st birthday on that day. Graham is also a chorister at the Parish Church.

There is a change in the hon. secretary of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths. Mr. Frank Matthews has resigned and his place is taken by Mr. D. E. Gibson. Dennis Beresford continues as master.

Friends of Mr. J. Frank Smallwood will be pleased to know that he is better and except for the limitations imposed by 80 plus there are no after effects. He has had to knock off ringing, even for service, but hopes it is only temporary.

The five bells at Coddington, Notts, are to be rehung and retuned and are due at the Loughborough foundry at the end of the month. Local ringers have already raised a considerable sum of the total cost and a frame for six bells is to be installed.

We regret to hear of the passing of Mr. Charles F. Sayer, a well loved ringer at St. Peter's, St. Albans, who was librarian to the Hertford County Association until ill-health necessitated his resignation. To his memory a handbell peal was rung on January 15th.

Mr. Frank C. W. Knight, of 16 Vale Square, Ramsgate, was admitted last Tuesday to the Broak Hospital, Woolwich, for an operation for a brain tumour. He expects to be there for 12 weeks. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery and pray that after this he will be fully restored to health.

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## Yorkshire Association to Have Joint Council

The chief item of interest at the general meeting of the Yorkshire Association last Saturday was the newly-formed 'Joint Council of Yorkshire Ringing Societies,' which is to have its first meeting in York next month. It has come into being after three meetings of representatives of all the ringing Societies in the county.

While the Yorkshire Association 'covers' the whole county, the nine more local societies cater for the needs of the area around their name towns or districts. It has often been stated that the District Societies are more concerned with the learners, the Yorkshire Association with the more advanced ringers, and while there may be some truth in this, it is nowhere near the whole truth, and as a policy it is a bad one.

Because of the many organisations and seemingly different aims a certain lack of co-ordination has been felt, and it is really the purpose of the new Joint Council to get Yorkshire ringers together, literally to a certain extent, and metaphorically.

## Mr. Tom Myers Remembered

Mr. T. J. Myers refutes the claim made by the band who rang at East Budleigh on November 30th (page 9) that it was the first of Parker's One Part for the Guild and in the county. Mr. Myers' first peal with a bob bell was this celebrated One Part rung on October 6th, 1923, at Emmanuel, Plymouth, conducted by the Rev. E. S. Powell, it being his first attempt to call a peal of Grandsire Triples. We are pleased to learn that Mr. Myers is now convalescent after his illness and is able to take short walks as the weather permits. With the return of health and strength he looks forward to being able to earn his living at the bench and resume his activities in the belfry.

## Sussex Reflection

The 80th anniversary dinner of the Sussex County Association, held amid the glamour of the Royal Pavilion, Brighton, was no ordinary birthday. Excellently supported, both from within and outside the county, the hon. secretary of the Central Council had a most appropriate introduction to his speech when he said he first came to Sussex to find a wife! The Sussex Association of today has its galaxy of beautiful women and probably more than one male present that evening was wife-seeking. Many ringers think that a bell rope, properly handled, is one of the best ways of revealing a girl's grace and charm.

## Liverpool Triumph

The first peal on the bells of Liverpool Cathedral was rung last Saturday in 4 hours 2 minutes. It was 5,037 Grandsire Cinques conducted by Joseph Ridvard who had Dennis Jones strapping for him on the eleventh. There were also two men on the tenor. The peal was rung for the Diamond Jubilee of the Cathedral and as a welcome to the new Dean, the Very Rev. Edward H. Patey.

## Lightest of Bells Filmed

A B.B.C. TV film unit visited Mr. Frank D. Mack at Exmorell on January 16th with Michael Harman as interviewer. The film of these little bells will be broadcast at some future date on Spotlight South-West and possibly later on Points West. They also made a short recording for Sound Radio—News and Round-up for the South and West.

## Wilmslow Veteran 84

Although no longer actively engaged in ringing, Mr. John Wheadon enjoys being visited by fellow members of the band at Wilmslow, Cheshire. They rang a peal at this church recently as a birthday compliment to him. Mr. Wheadon was 93 on January 4th. For the benefit of would-be correspondents, his address is 7, Gorsey Road, Wilmslow.

## 40 Years On

By ringing in the peal at Upton-on-Severn on January 9th, the brothers Frank and Joe Lawrence achieved the unique feat of ringing the same bells to Grandsire Triples which they rang 40 years ago to their first peal. Sadly, only two others of the original band are still living, but in these days they take no active part in ringing. An enjoyable evening, including a meal, was had by the band afterwards, and many were the tales told of experiences during the 40 years.

## Bad Luck Broken

The Cowbridge, Glamorgan, Doubles peal band reunited in the University vacation to score a peal of Plain Bob at Bonvilston, called from the tenor by Lew Groom, his first as conductor. This broke an unwelcome run of bad luck for the band who had lost previous attempts due to inadequate trouser support, a jammed rope, and the disintegration of a tower joist respectively. The peal offers 86th birthday greetings to Mr. E. Thomas, a former ringer at Bonvilston and father-in-law of the late Mr. R. E. Coles, a leading ringer in the district.

## Lines by a 'Norwich Scholar'

How oft mankind exert their utmost powers  
To find amusement for their leisure hours;  
While some in bowls or cricket will unite  
And in such healthful exercise delight,  
Others on chess or music fix their mind,  
Requiring practice of no trifling kind;  
Those who are gifted with a tuneful voice  
In singing glees or such like strains rejoice;  
While some to far less noble arts descend—  
Their time thus wasted oft in ruin end.  
Then why should ringing be set down as  
naught

By some who never give the science thought?  
Its exercise amusement doth impart  
To those who are proficient in the art;  
In it our energies are all required—  
Mental and physical, and zeal untired.  
Its compositions intricate are found.  
While in its changes harmony abound.  
Then let those critics who our choice condemn  
Leave us to follow it—we grant the same to  
them.

'S.N.'

(Extract from 'Elements of Campanalogia,' by Henry Hubbard, June, 1854.)

## Practical Appreciation

To judge from the number of complaints one hears or reads about ringing (All Saints', Maidenhead, 'R.W.' January 15th, for instance) it might be thought that a large number of people do not like the sound of bells; however, I have never believed this to be so and the experience of a peal band at Caerphilly, Glamorgan, has strengthened my conviction that only a small minority dislike bell ringing.

After ringing the band was met outside the tower by a lady who said that she had liked the ringing so much that the ringers must be rewarded for their efforts; and with that she gave a very generous gift to be shared by the eight ringers. This took place on Boxing Day; so the band walked away with a most unexpected and welcome Christmas present.

## Collapsed in Ringing Chamber

The peal in 21 Doubles methods rung at Warnford, Hampshire, was to have been attempted in November last by a band which included Miss Susan Smith of Fareham; the ropes were adjusted and the peal about to begin when she collapsed in the ringing chamber and within two days had a major internal operation. Miss Betty Daysh kindly stepped into the breach and the peal was successfully rung as a twenty-first birthday compliment to Miss Maureen White whose birthday was on January 14th; the band extend all good wishes to her. The peal contained the most methods rung in the Alton and Petersfield District of the Guild and by all the band. The ringers wish Miss Susan Smith a complete recovery to good health, and they also thank Mr. and Mrs. T. White for entertaining them after the peal.

## Quex Park Peal Lost

A peal attempt was lost after 2 hours' good ringing, at Quex Park, Kent. The method was Plain Bob, and it was half-muffled for the late Mrs. Powell-Cotton, owner of the tower. Mrs. Powell-Cotton was a good friend to ringers and one of her ancestors, Mr. John Powell-Powell, built the famous tower and put in it the ring of twelve. The attempt was on the middle six (tenor 7 cwt.) by: P. Austin (first peal attempt) 1, F. C. W. Knight 2, D. L. Cawley 3, G. G. Firman 4, M. Ostler 5, K. J. Triplow (cond.) 6.

## Kidderminster Active

Miss Freda Salter, who has been in the forefront of a venture which has resulted in the bells of Kidderminster Parish Church being rung regularly for service on Sundays since Easter Day last, is the new secretary of the band of ringers there. Her father, Mr. Keith Salter, is the present captain of the ringers, succeeding Mr. Ray Skinner, who led the band when ringing was resumed in November after a long break. Her grandfather, the late Mr. T. J. Salter, was also a captain of Kidderminster Parish Church ringers. Her address is 164, Marpool Lane, Kidderminster.



**TOWER BELL PEALS**

**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**  
 HUISH EPISCOPI, Somerset.—At the Church of  
 St. Mary-the-Virgin.

*On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES**  
 Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb.

Frederick Sandy .. .. Treble	George Prescott .. .. 5
Walter S. Rice .. .. 2	George W. Massey .. .. 6
Edgar T. Skipsey .. .. 3	Rev. Roger O. Fry .. .. 7
Sydney G. Smith .. .. 4	David Gale .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. J. Parker. Conducted by George Prescott.  
 First peal in the method by all except conductor. First in the method as conductor.

**ASHCOTT, Somerset.**—At the Church of All Saints.  
*On Wed., Dec. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In 14 methods/variations. (1-3) Southrepps, (4-5) St. Columba, (6-7) Clifford Pl., (8-9) Little Ashton, (10-11) Rev. Canterbury, (12) Wychbold. (13-14) Plain Bob, (15-16) Old, (17-19) April Day, (20-21) Seighford, (22-23) Kennington, (24) Dedworth, (25-28) Plain Bob, (29-32) All Saints, (33-42) Grandshire. Tenor 12 cwt. 21 lb.

*Angela French (14) .. Treble	Janice Haggett (16) .. 4
David Dean (14) .. .. 2	Keith Prime .. .. 5
Freda Prime .. .. 3	Keith Cavill .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Keith Prime.  
 \* First peal. First in 14 methods by all except the conductor.  
 First peal by an all Ashcott Sunday Service band.

**THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD**

**LONDON.**—At the Church of St. Giles, Cripplegate.  
*On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES**

I. M. Smith (Peterhouse) Treble	W. T. Cook (Jesus) .. 7
V. Nutton (Selwyn) .. 2	F. E. Haynes (St. Cath's) 8
J. M. H. Hunter (Trinity) 3	C. M. Press (King's) .. 9
L. R. H. Smith (Queens') 4	S. C. Walters (Pembroke) 10
A. S. Hudson (Clare) .. 5	C. H. Rogers (Emmanuel) 11
K. J. Triplow (Selwyn) .. 6	K. J. Darvill (St. Cath's) Tenor

Arranged by Andrew S. Hudson. Conducted by Hadley Hunter.

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**

**BOLLINGTON, Cheshire.**—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.  
*On Sat., Jan. 9, 1965, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Neil Lomas .. .. Treble	John Booth .. .. 5
Margaret Booth .. .. 2	Alan Sharples .. .. 6
Brian Schofield .. .. 3	Denis Mottershead .. .. 7
*Alan Schofield .. .. 4	John Robinson .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. Wilde. Conducted by Denis Mottershead.  
 \* First peal of Surprise.  
 A wedding compliment to Miss Kathleen Bailey and Mr. James Thornhill, who were married the same afternoon at St. Christopher's, Port Shrigley.

**NORBURY (Hazel Grove), Cheshire.**—At the Church of St. Thomas.  
*On Sat., Jan. 9, 1965, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5376 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

John P. Fidler .. .. Treble	Frank Osbaldiston .. .. 5
Derek F. Yates .. .. 2	Alan McFall .. .. 6
Robert J. Warrilow .. .. 3	Basil Jones .. .. 7
C. Kenneth Lewis .. .. 4	A. Peter Whitehead .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.  
**WILMSLOW, Cheshire.**—At the Church of St. Bartholomew.  
*On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In five methods:—(1) London Surprise, (2) Kent T.B., (3) and (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Oxford T.B., (6) and (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt.	
*Peter S. Oliver .. .. Treble	Neil D. Lomas .. .. 4
J. Derek Smith .. .. 2	Alan Sharples .. .. 5
Rev. Christopher J. Rees 3	Denis Mottershead .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Denis Mottershead.  
 \* First peal.  
 Rung by the local band as a 93rd birthday compliment to Mr. John Wheadon.

**THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

**DERBY.**—At the Cathedral Church of All Saints.  
*On Sat., Dec. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Harold Taylor .. .. Treble	David W. Larkin .. .. 6
Joseph C. Woolley .. .. 2	John F. Murlin .. .. 7
Gordon A. Halls .. .. 3	Douglas Derbyshire .. .. 8
J. Ashmore Dodd .. .. 4	Michael R. Blore .. .. 9
Sampson P. Walklate .. 5	Alan Taylor .. .. Tenor

Composed by Edgar C. Shepherd. Conducted by John F. Murlin.  
 Harold Taylor has now 'circled the tower.'

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION**

**GREAT DUNMOW, Essex.**—At the Church of St. Mary.

*On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In eleven methods, comprising 576 each Cambridge, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire, 448 Bristol, and 384 each Ashtead, Cassiobury, Lincolnshire, London, Rutland and Uxbridge. with 124 changes of method. Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb. in E.

Peter G. Brown .. .. Treble	Philip J. Rothera .. .. 5
*Patrick W. Saltmarsh .. 2	Dennis A. S. Symonds .. 6
*Joe E. G. Roast .. .. 3	Ian R. Panton .. .. 7
Peter J. Eves .. .. 4	James L. Towler .. .. Tenor

Composed by Norman Smith. Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.  
 \*150th peal together. Most Major methods to a peal by all the band except ringer of 2nd. Most Major methods to a peal on the bells and for the Association.

A birthday compliment to ringer of sixth and an engagement compliment to Philip J. Rothera and Miss Susan Funnell.

**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**

**PRESTEIGNE, Radnorshire.**—At the Church of St. Andrew.

*On Sat., Dec. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's 12 part. Tenor 15 cwt. 7 lb. in F	
Robert A. Hatcher .. Treble	†John W. Hope .. .. 5
*Colin A. Lewis .. .. 2	Austin T. Wingate .. .. 6
*Lyndon H. Hatfield .. 3	George T. Cousins .. .. 7
*Marcus C. W. Sherwood 4	Harry F. Hatfield .. .. Tenor

Conducted by George T. Cousins.  
 \* First of Triples. † First 'inside.'

**BUILTH WELLS, Breconshire.**—At the Church of St. Mary.

*On Thurs., Dec. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt.	
Lyndon H. Hatfield .. Treble	John W. Hope .. .. 4
Julie A. V. Caligari .. .. 2	Colin A. Lewis .. .. 5
Austin T. Wingate .. .. 3	George T. Cousins .. .. Tenor

Conducted by George T. Cousins.  
 The first peal of Minor on the bells.

**ALLENMORE, Herefordshire.**—At the Church of St. Andrew.

*On Fri., Jan. 1, 1965, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of Oxford Bob, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Cambridge Surprise, and Plain Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt.	
Peter D. Sell .. .. Treble	George T. Cousins .. .. 4
*David Morton .. .. 2	William E. Thompsett .. 5
Austin T. Wingate .. .. 3	Wilfrid F. Moreton .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.  
 \* First in seven methods. First in seven methods on the bells.

**LINTON, Herefordshire.**—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

*On Sat., Jan. 9, 1965, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In four methods, being 30 extents of Grandshire, and four each of St. Martin's, St. Simon's and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in A.	
*Julie A. V. Caligari .. Treble	George T. Cousins .. .. 4
Peter D. Sell .. .. 2	John F. I. Turney .. .. 5
Peter D. S. Caligari .. .. 3	†Desmond Bowers .. .. Tenor

Conducted by George T. Cousins.  
 \* First peal of Doubles. † First peal. First of Doubles on the bells.

**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**

**HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, Herts.**—At the Church of St. Mary.

*On Sat., Jan. 9, 1965, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 19 cwt. 1 qr. 4 b. in E.	
Walter Ayre .. .. Treble	C. Valerie Mills .. .. 5
*Ann P. Bond .. .. 2	Keith D. Waples .. .. 6
Augustine V. Good .. .. 3	Peter W. Harper .. .. 7
Clare Higby .. .. 4	Antony R. Kench .. .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. Worsley. Conducted by Peter W. Harper.  
 \* First peal attempt. First peal as conductor.  
 Rung to mark the 87th birthday of Herbert Gates, regular ringing member of this tower, with the best wishes of the band and other friends in the district.

**DUNSTABLE, Beds.**—At the Priory Church of St. Peter.

*On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb. in E flat.	
C. Valerie Mills .. .. Treble	*Peter W. Harper .. .. 5
Walter Ayre .. .. 2	Howard Collings .. .. 6
Augustine V. Good .. .. 3	*Reginald E. Sheppard .. 7
*Brian M. Barker .. .. 4	Antony R. Kench .. .. Tenor

Composed by Roger Baldwin. Conducted by Antony R. Kench.  
 \* First peal in the method. First in the method by a Western District band.

**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**  
**KNEBWORTH, Hertfordshire.**—At the Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Thomas a Becket.  
*On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5024 LAPAL SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 12½ cwt.  
 J. Stuart Hutton .. .. Treble Colif A. S. Harwood .. 5  
 Vernon Green .. .. 2 Gerald E. Penney .. .. 6  
 Claudia A. Critchley .. 3 Edwin G. Buck .. .. 7  
 G. William Critchley .. 4 J. Richard Castledine .. Tenor  
 Composed by E. W. Tipler. Conducted by G. William Critchley.  
 First peal in the method by all the band.  
 In memoriam Charles F. Sayer.

**ASTON CLINTON, Buckinghamshire.**—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.  
*On Sat., Jan. 2, 1965, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**  
 In seven methods, being one extent each of Norwich, Beverley, Surfleet, York, Cambridge, London and Wells. Tenor 13 cwt. in F sharp.  
 H. George Hart .. .. Treble D. Kay Adkins .. .. 4  
 Elsie K. Hart .. .. 2 Roger Baldwin .. .. 5  
 S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 3 Kenneth R. Dunstan .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Roger Baldwin.

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**  
**LEEDS, Kent.**—At the Church of St. Nicholas.  
*On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5000 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL**  
 No. 3 version. Tenor 17½ cwt. in E.  
 Ian H. Oram .. .. Treble Ralph Bird .. .. 6  
 \*Ann Jenner .. .. 2 \*Andrew J. Corby .. .. 7  
 Stanley Jenner .. .. 3 \*Dennis A. Chapman .. 8  
 Doris E. Colgate .. .. 4 Thomas Cullingworth .. 9  
 Arthur S. Richards .. 5 Philip A. Corby .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Philip A. Corby.  
 \* First peal in the method.

**EDENBRIDGE, Kent.**—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.  
*On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5184 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 14 cwt. 7 lb. in F sharp.  
 Ann Jenner .. .. Treble D. Paul Smith .. .. 5  
 \*Lucile M. Corby .. .. 3 \*Edward J. Jenner .. .. 6  
 \*Judith M. Corby .. .. 3 Philip A. Corby .. .. 7  
 \*Isabel M. Pearce .. .. 4 Stanley Jenner .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by Stephen J. Ivin. Conducted by Stanley Jenner.  
 \* First peal in the method.  
 A birthday compliment to Edward J. Jenner.

**ERITH, Kent.**—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.  
*On Fri., Jan. 15, 1965, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**  
 Carter's odd-bob. Tenor 15 cwt. in G.  
 George J. Butcher .. .. Treble Martin L. Howe .. .. 5  
 Frederick J. Cullum .. .. 2 Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. 6  
 Herbert E. Audsley .. .. 3 Bernard F. L. Groves .. 7  
 Christopher T. Osenton .. 4 James T. Stevens .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.

**WROTHAM, Kent.**—At the Church of St. George.  
*On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5152 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 In eight methods, comprising, 960 London, 928 Watford, 768 Bristol, 672 Cambridge, 512 Dorchester, 448 each of Superlative and Pudsey, and 416 Lincoln, with 118 changes of method, and all the work of each method for each bell.  
 Tenor 20 cwt. 10 lb. in E.  
 Hilary F. Martin .. .. Treble Robert W. Hinde .. .. 5  
 Andrew J. Corby .. .. 2 \*Christopher T. Osenton .. 6  
 \*Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. 3 Bernard F. L. Groves .. 7  
 \*David S. Osenton .. .. 4 \*Martin L. Howe .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by A. J. Pitman. Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.  
 \* First peal of 8-Spiced. First of 8-Spiced as conductor.

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**  
**OLDHAM, Lancashire.**—At the Church of St. Mary.  
*On Sat., Jan. 2, 1965, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS**  
 Tenor 35 cwt.  
 Frank Osbaldiston .. .. Treble Derek F. Yates .. .. 7  
 C. Kenneth Lewis .. .. 2 Ernest Bennett .. .. 8  
 William H. Dowse .. .. 3 Alan McFall .. .. 9  
 Harold C. Lonyon .. .. 4 Basil Jones .. .. 10  
 Robert J. Warrilow .. .. 5 Robert B. Smith .. .. 11  
 John Worth .. .. 6 A. Peter Whitehead .. Tenor  
 Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by John Worth.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, Lancashire.**—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.  
*On Tues., Dec. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5280 LAMBETH SURPRISE MAXIMUS**  
 Tenor 25 cwt. 81 lb. in D.  
 Anthony D. Sansom .. .. Treble John Robinson .. .. 7  
 Robert B. Smith .. .. 2 Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 8  
 Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 3 Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 9  
 Susan Funnell .. .. 4 Frederick Shallcross .. 10  
 C. Kenneth Lewis .. .. 5 John H. Fielden .. .. 11  
 Basil Jones .. .. 6 Peter Border .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by Frederick Dench. Conducted by Robert B. Smith.  
 A birthday compliment to Miss Eileen Cross, of Ashton-under-Lyne.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, Lancashire.**—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.  
*On Tues., Dec. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5280 LAMBETH SURPRISE MAXIMUS**  
 Tenor 25 cwt. 81 lb. in D.  
 Trudy Seipel .. .. Treble David Chadderton .. .. 6  
 Eileen Cross .. .. 2 C. John Clegg .. .. 7  
 Wendy M. Lee .. .. 3 Derek J. Marshall .. .. 8  
 Margaret Wright .. .. 4 Jeffrey Brannan .. .. 9  
 Christine Andrew .. .. 5 Frederick Shallcross .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Frederick Shallcross.  
 Rung half-muffled in memory of Dr. Malloch.

**ACCRINGTON.**—At the Church of St. James.  
*On Sun., March 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**  
 Seven different extents. Tenor 11½ cwt.  
 Gayle V. Ryan .. .. Treble Anthony J. Helliwell .. 4  
 Judith P. Winterbottom .. 2 Richard J. Parker .. .. 5  
 Roger Leigh .. .. 3 Robert A. Bolt .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Robert Bolt.

**SALFORD, Lancashire.**—At the Church of The Sacred Trinity.  
*On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**  
 Being four extents of Plain Bob and three of St. Clement's.  
 Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 17 lb. in G.  
 \*Margaret Whitehead .. Treble John W. Gander .. .. 4  
 \*A. Stephen Taylor .. .. 2 †Roger L. Coley .. .. 5  
 Clive Calton .. .. 3 David J. Baker .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by David J. Baker.  
 \* First peal. † First of Minor. First as conductor.  
 Rung by an all-resident band as a wedding compliment to Mary and Philip Jones.

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**  
**LEICESTER.**—At the Church of St. John-the-Divine.  
*On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 SWINDON SURPRISE ROYAL**  
 Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.  
 \*Roland H. Cook .. .. Treble Alan E. Hartley .. .. 6  
 Beryl E. Cawser .. .. 2 William A. Lacey .. .. 7  
 J. Edward Cawser .. .. 3 Brian S. Chapman .. .. 8  
 Denis A. Frith .. .. 4 A. Maxwell Lindsey .. 9  
 Malcolm E. Wade .. .. 5 R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by J. Edward Cawser.  
 \* 150th peal. First peal in the method by all the band and for the Guild.  
 Rung as a birthday compliment to the Vicar, the Rev. W. B. Williams, and on the fifth anniversary of his induction.

**WIGSTON MAGNA, Leicestershire.**—At the Church of All Saints.  
*On Sat., Dec. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 16 cwt. 11 lb. in E.  
 Malcolm E. Wade .. .. Treble A. James Poynor .. .. 5  
 Sam J. Haines .. .. 2 W. Arthur Riddington .. 6  
 R. Roy Watkin .. .. 3 Russell S. Morris .. .. 7  
 Brian C. Law .. .. 4 Brian S. Chapman .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by Nathan J. Pitstow. Conducted by A. James Poynor.  
 Rung on St. Stephen's Day.

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**  
**SPALDING, Lincolnshire.**—At the Church of SS. Mary and Nicholas.  
*On Mon., Dec. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
 Tenor 15½ cwt.  
 \*Julie Kendrick (15) .. .. Treble Bernard B. Tyrell .. .. 5  
 Roger D. Bailey .. .. 2 Cyril R. Burrell .. .. 6  
 Frank Taylor .. .. 3 Brian Harris .. .. 7  
 \*Janet Hubbard (15) .. .. 4 Raymond H. Daw .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Brian Harris.  
 \* First peal.

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**

FULNEY, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Paul.  
On Mon., Jan. 18, 1965, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**  
Tenor 144 cwt.

Ronald C. Noon .. .. Treble	Bernard B. Tyrell .. .. 5
George W. Massey .. .. 2	Raymond H. Daw .. .. 6
Denis Woods .. .. 3	Cyril R. Burrell .. .. 7
Frank Taylor .. .. 4	Brian Harris .. .. Tenor

Composed by Henry Dains. Conducted by Brian Harris.  
\* First peal of Double Norwich.

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

On Mon., Dec. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven extents in 14 methods, viz. (1) Berwick and Hexham. (2) Ipswich and Norfolk. (3) Lightfoot and Wearmouth. (4) London and Wells. (5) Cambridge and Primrose. (6) York and Durham. (7) Beverley and Surfleet. Tenor 15 cwt.

Denis Woods .. .. Treble	George W. Massey .. .. 4
*Frank Taylor .. .. 2	Cyril R. Burrell .. .. 5
Raymond H. Daw .. .. 3	Brian Harris .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Brian Harris.  
\* First peal in 14 Surprise methods.

BLYTON, Lincs.—At the Church of St. Martin.  
On Mon., Dec. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being four 720's of Plain Bob, and three of Grandsire rung alternately. Tenor 12 cwt.

*John Hyman .. .. Treble	†Melvin Rose .. .. 3
†John Underwood .. .. 2	†Stephen L. Green .. .. 4

Geo. Leslie A. Lunn .. Tenor  
Conducted by Geo. Leslie A. Lunn.

\* First peal. † First of Doubles. First peal on the bells.

**THE LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

CARDIFF, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.  
On Thurs., Jan. 14, 1965, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 26 cwt. 4 lb. in D.

Thomas Yeomans .. .. Treble	Geoffrey J. B. Stickland .. 5
Elizabeth Brown .. .. 2	Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. 6
Penelope J. Welch .. .. 3	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 7
Donald G. Clift .. .. 4	Nicholas W. H. Simon .. Tenor

Composed by Arthur Craven. Conducted by David J. Llewellyn.  
The first peal of Surprise Major on the bells.

BONVILSTON, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Jan. 9, 1965, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES**

Being 42 six-scores (4 callings). Tenor 12 cwt.

Iolo Davies .. .. Treble	Christopher Ricketts .. .. 4
Ellis N. Thomas .. .. 2	Gareth H. Jones .. .. 5
Paul M. Evans .. .. 3	W. J. Lewis Groom .. .. Tenor

Conducted by W. J. Lewis Groom.  
First peal as conductor.

An 86th birthday compliment to Mr. E. Thomas, a former Bonvilston ringer.

**THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION**

ALTON, Staffs.—At the Church of St. Peter.  
On Sat., Jan. 9, 1965, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 22½ cwt. in E flat.

Richard Wharton .. .. Treble	Paul J. Atkins .. .. 5
Christine Birks .. .. 2	Roy Worrall .. .. 6
Norman Sherratt .. .. 3	Dennis Latham .. .. 7
Harold Dowler .. .. 4	Walter Sherratt .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. Craven. Conducted by Dennis Latham.  
First of Surprise Major as conductor.

Rung as a 16th birthday compliment to Miss Christine Birks.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**

HIGH WYCOMBE, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of All Saints.  
On Sat., Jan. 9, 1965, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES**

Tenor 29 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb.

Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay .. Treble	John Hartless .. .. 7
James E. Daniels .. .. 2	R. Roger Savory .. .. 8
David P. Hilling .. .. 3	Philip N. Tubbs .. .. 9
Raymond Haines .. .. 4	Michael J. Best .. .. 10
Reginald W. Rex .. .. 5	Frederick E. Collins .. .. 11
Frank L. Harris .. .. 6	Lewis F. Cobb .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. Hattersley. Conducted by Frank L. Harris.

OXFORD.—At the Church of St. Ebbe.

On Tues., Jan. 12, 1965, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

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

Edward J. Evans .. .. Treble	Diana Reeves .. .. 5
Charles Coles .. .. 2	Robert A. Reeves .. .. 6
Ernest G. Jones .. .. 3	Christopher C. Clarke .. 7
Peter J. Heritage .. .. 4	Edward R. Venn .. .. Tenor

Composed by David J. Marshall. Conducted by Edward R. Venn.

BUCKLAND, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 3 Hours.

**A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 17 cwt. in E.

Frederick R. Scott .. .. Treble	Anthony R. Peake .. .. 5
J. Keith Ward .. .. 2	Gordon W. Land .. .. 6
Anthony D. Sansom .. .. 3	Edward R. Venn .. .. 7
Robin G. Leale .. .. 4	Brian Bladon .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. Sedgley. Conducted by Edward R. Venn.  
First peal of Lincolnshire as conductor.

BLADON, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Martin.

On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In three methods, being 12 extents Plain Bob. 5 Rev. Canterbury, and 25 Grandsire. Tenor 6 cwt.

Garth A. Porter .. .. Treble	†David Floyd .. .. 4
*Peter G. Holden .. .. 2	*James F. List .. .. 5
Roy H. Jones .. .. 3	†M. Douglas Morgan .. Tenor

Conducted by Roy H. Jones.  
\* First of Doubles. † First in three methods. ‡ First peal.

A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Patching of Northleigh on their silver wedding and as a farewell to Miss Marilyn Bird upon her departure to Newcastle.

**THE OXFORD SOCIETY**

OXFORD.—At the Cathedral Church of Christ.

On Sat., Jan. 9, 1965, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES**

Tenor 30 cwt.

William Hibbert .. .. Treble	John W. Thorp .. .. 7
Edward R. Venn .. .. 2	Edgar J. Smith .. .. 8
Brian R. White .. .. 3	William A. Yates .. .. 9
Walter F. Judge .. .. 4	John E. Camp .. .. 10
Frdk. A. H. Wilkins .. .. 5	George W. Holland .. .. 11
J. Richard Chaundy .. .. 6	Francis A. White .. .. Tenor

Composed by Charles W. Roberts. Conducted by Walter F. Judge.

**THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY**

SUNNINGWELL, Berks.—At the Church of St. Leonard.

On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5140 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR**

Tenor 8½ cwt. in B flat.

Seven extents.	
John W. Thorp .. .. Treble	Roger M. Heyworth .. .. 4
Paul H. Brand .. .. 2	Anthony P. Foster .. .. 5
G. Robert Mordaunt .. 3	Bruce Wakefield .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Bruce Wakefield.  
First peal of London for all except the conductor.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Bruce Wakefield, Master of the Society.

**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**

PETERBOROUGH, Northants.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Dec. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In six methods, viz: (1) Single Court. (2) Spliced Kent and Oxford F.B.. (3) Kent T.B.. (4) Oxford T.B.. (5) St. Clement's. (6) Single Oxford. (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lb.

Geoffrey Davis .. .. Treble	Bernard Branston .. .. 4
Alfred Waller .. .. 2	Roy W. Spencer .. .. 5
Gilbert Cowlin .. .. 3	Raymond H. Daw .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Roy W. Spencer.  
Rung as a farewell to Rev. J. H. Butcher until recently Vicar of this parish.

EDITH WESTON, Rutland.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Jan. 9, 1965, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents: C.C.C. Nos. 1, 2, 7, 9, 10, 23, 25.

Tenor 7 cwt.	
J. Martin Thorley .. .. Treble	Brian Harris .. .. 4
*Geoffrey T. Norris .. .. 2	Gerald W. Reynolds .. .. 5
Christopher Groome .. 3	Raymond H. Daw .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.  
\* First peal.

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**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**

ISHAM, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Jan. 9, 1965, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.  
 \*John Worley .. .. Treble | \*Richard L. Cowley .. .. 4  
 Eric J. Chapman .. .. 2 | \*Charles Richardson .. .. 5  
 \*Edward C. Buckley .. .. 3 | Denis G. Pearson .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Denis G. Pearson.

\* First peal of Minor. First as conductor.

Rung by members of the St. Mary-the-Virgin, Finedon, band for the Feast of the Epiphany.

STAVERTON, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Fri., Jan. 15, 1965, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR**

Stanley F. Webb .. .. Treble | Roger W. Smith .. .. 4  
 \*Patrick I. Chapman .. .. 2 | Charles E. Trueman .. .. 5  
 Alan A. Paul .. .. 3 | David J. Marshall .. .. Tenor

Conducted by David J. Marshall.

\* Has now completed the family of London, including version not accepted. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb. in G.

THORNHAUGH, Northants.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 480 Grandsire, 960 each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Martin's and St. Simon's, 1,680 Plain Bob (480 in April Day variation).  
 Bernard Branston .. .. Treble | Alf Waller .. .. 3  
 Gilbert F. Cowlin .. .. 2 | \*Raymond H. Daw .. .. 4  
 Brian Harris .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Brian Harris.

\* First peal of Doubles. Tenor 6 cwt.

Rung for the induction of the Rev. G. H. Bradshaw as Vicar of Wittering, Wansford and Thornhaugh.

PATTISHALL, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of the Holy Cross.

On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR**

Being one 1,440 and five extents in 34 methods, viz.: 288 Carlisle, 192 Morpeth, 168 each of Whitley and Canterbury, 120 each of Alnwick, Northumberland and Newcastle, 96 Sandiacre, 72 Chester, 48 each of Wooler and Munden, (1,440 by A. Relfe), (3) 120 each of Rossendale, Annable's London and Netherseale, 216 Lightfoot, 96 Stamford, 48 Wearmouth, (4) 360 each of Westminster and Allendale, (5) 216 Cambridge, 144 each of Norfolk and Ipswich, 72 each of Hull, Primrose and Bourne, (6) 288 Durham, 120 each of Surfleet and Beverley, 72 each of York and Berwick, 48 Hexham, (7) 360 Cune-castre, 288 London, 72 Wells, with 112 changes of method.  
 Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. in G.

Barry E. Saunders .. .. Treble | Alan A. Paul .. .. 4  
 James Linnell .. .. 2 | Charles E. Trueman .. .. 5  
 Roger W. Smith .. .. 3 | Graham C. Paul .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Charles E. Truman.

The greatest number of Spliced Surprise Minor for all the band and for the Guild. First of Surprise on the bells.

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

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

On Thurs., Dec. 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS**

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.  
 Susan Funnell .. .. Treble | Martin D. Fellows .. .. 7  
 Jennifer M. B. Cook .. .. 2 | Robert C. Kippin .. .. 8  
 David R. Ingram .. .. 3 | Norman J. Goodman .. .. 9  
 John C. Eisel .. .. 4 | George E. Fearn .. .. 10  
 Michael J. Fellows .. .. 5 | J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. 11  
 Maurice G. Ingram .. .. 6 | Clifford A. Barron .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**

COLSTON BASSETT, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Divine.

On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

George A. Dawson .. .. Treble | Peter Woolven .. .. 5  
 John G. Hallett .. .. 2 | Peter R. Humphrey .. .. 6  
 Susanna Poppleston .. .. 3 | \*Richard A. G. Inglis .. .. 7  
 Simon Humphrey .. .. 4 | William L. Exton .. .. Tenor

Composed by George Cross.

Conducted by William L. Exton.

\* First of Major 'inside.'

Tenor 22 cwt. ¼ qr. 4 lb. in D.

NORTH MUSKHAM, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Wilfrid.

On Sat., Jan. 2, 1965, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents (ten callings). Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb.  
 F. William Midwinter .. Treble | David T. Williamson .. .. 4  
 Harold Stevenson .. .. 2 | Frederick G. Hooper .. .. 5  
 Clarence F. Briggs .. .. 3 | David D. Parsons .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Frederick G. Hooper.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. J. W. Wilson (Sutton-on-Trent). Miss Gillian Pritchett (Balderton), both ringers in the Newark district, and following the funeral at this church of Mr. P. J. Jack-

**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD**

PATSHULL, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Thurs., Jan. 14, 1965, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 18 lb.  
 \*Terry J. Greaves .. .. Treble | John H. Taylor .. .. 4  
 †David J. Bates .. .. 2 | §Remi M. Hodister .. .. 5  
 †A. Elizabeth Timmins .. 3 | Michael W. Fairey .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Michael W. Fairey.

\* First peal of Minor. † First of Surprise. ‡ First of Surprise 'inside.' § First in the method.

**THE SUFFOLK GUILD**

BURGH, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Andrew.  
 On Fri., Dec. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of York, Surfleet, Beverley, London and Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B., Double Court, Plain Bob.  
 Tenor 8 cwt. in A.  
 Alan R. Bridges .. .. Treble | Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 4  
 Cecil W. Pipe .. .. 2 | Leslie N. Melton .. .. 5  
 B. Gillian Schofield .. .. 3 | George E. Thoday .. .. Tenor

Conducted by George E. Thoday.

The conductor's 300th peal.

BARKING, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Fri., Jan. 8, 1965, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Consisting of one extent of Oxford T.B. and three extents each of Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in G.  
 Robert E. Lester .. .. Treble | John J. Prentice .. .. 4  
 E. James Lockwood .. .. 2 | Gilbert R. Goodship .. .. 5  
 Neville F. Whittell .. .. 3 | Raymond F. Taylor .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Robert E. Lester.

Rung half-muffled as a token of respect to Canon S. H. De la Bere (Rector 1925-1964), whose funeral took place on January 5th.

**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**

HEENE, Worthing, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Botolph.

On Wed., Jan. 13, 1965, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's Twelve-Part (six obs.). Tenor 10½ cwt.  
 Leonard Stilwell .. .. Treble | J. Richard Wilson .. .. 5  
 Robert Wake .. .. 2 | Henry D. Butler .. .. 6  
 \*Michael J. Wake .. .. 3 | Henry C. Weaver .. .. 7  
 Raymond P. Wood .. .. 4 | †Roy M. Cox .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Leonard Stilwell.

\* First of Triples. † First peal.  
 Rung to welcome the new Vicar, the Rev. G. A. Potter, who was inducted the previous day. Also a 50th birthday compliment to Henry C. Weaver.

**THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD**

WARNFORD, Hampshire.—At the Church of Our Lady of Warnford.

On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In 21 methods, being two extents each of Stedman Slow Course, Coxwell Place, St. Botolph, Westminster II Bob, Blackburn Place Bob, St. Hilary Bob, New Bob, Huntspill Bob, St. Vedast Bob, St. Nicholas Bob, Winchendon Place Bob, St. Remigius Bob, Stedman, Grandsire, Reverse St. Bartholomew Bob, St. Simon's Bob, St. Martin's Bob, St. Osmund Bob, Shipway's Place Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 10 lb.  
 Mary E. White .. .. Treble | Derek J. White .. .. 4  
 Betty J. Daysh .. .. 2 | Charles E. Bassett .. .. 5  
 Ramon A. Stone .. .. 3 | Thomas White .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Charles E. Bassett.

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION**

UPTON-ON-SEVERN, Worcestershire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Jan. 9, 1965, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part (Groves' Variation). Tenor 12½ cwt.  
 Charles Haylings .. .. Treble | Denis R. Morris .. .. 5  
 Joseph E. Lawrence .. .. 2 | Ernest F. Cubberley .. .. 6  
 Fred Hawkes .. .. 3 | \*John Clements .. .. 7  
 Frank Lawrence .. .. 4 | Leonard Dovey .. .. Tenor

Conducted by John Clements.

\* First peal of Triples.  
 Rung on the 40th anniversary of the 2nd and 4th ringers' first peal. The composition, method and bells they rang were the same on each occasion.

CLENT, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Leonard.

On Sat., Jan. 16, 1965, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 11 cwt. 18 lb. in F sharp.  
 Peter L. Bill .. .. Treble | Geoffrey Westwood .. .. 5  
 \*M. Irene Ellsmore .. .. 2 | C. Frederick Jukes .. .. 6  
 John C. Eisel .. .. 3 | Martin D. Fellows .. .. 7  
 A. Bryan Ellsmore .. .. 4 | †Michael J. Fellows .. .. Tenor

Composed by John R. Mayne. Conducted by Michael J. Fellows.  
 \* First peal of Surprise Major 'inside.' † 200th peal (aged 17)

# QUARTER PEALS

## DATE TOUCHES

**EMNETH, NORFOLK.**—On Dec. 10th, 1,964 Plain Bob Doubles: G. Knight 1, D. Feck 2, P. J. Stokes 3, G. J. Mann (cond.) 4, A. K. Phillips 5. Rung for the 100th birthday of P. H. Phillips, grandfather of the tenor ringer.

**KIRKBY-IN-ASHFIELD, NOTTS.**—On Jan. 1st, 1,965 Doubles methods and variations: Miss A. G. Harrison 1, Miss E. J. Foster 2, M. J. Kirk 3, E. A. Harrison 4, J. A. Harrison (cond.) 5.

**WOLLATON, NOTTS.**—On Jan. 17th, 1,965 Minor (being one extent and two 600's of Kent Treble Bob and 45 of Kent and Original): P. R. Humphrey 1, Miss G. J. Foster 2, C. R. Daft 3, Miss S. Poppleston (cond.) 4, P. W. Hawcock 5, S. Humphrey 6. First quarter as conductor. A birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3rd, and an engagement compliment to P. W. Hawcock and Miss M. Bennett.

**ARDINGLY, SUSSEX.**—On Jan. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Hilda E. Oatway 1, H. Burton 2, S. H. Wood 3, W. F. Oatway 4, E. Knapp 5, A. E. Laker (cond.) 6.

**ASH, SURREY.**—On Jan. 10th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Angela J. Smart 1, Angela Hawes 2, Joan Reyner 3, A. K. Tuck 4, S. T. A. Russell 5, P. G. Smart 6. First of Surprise 2, 3 and 4. For Evensong.

**ASHCOTT, SOMERSET.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 All Saints' Doubles: Joy Bagz (14) 1, Janice Haggart 2, Angela French (14) 3, K. Cavill 4, K. Prime (cond.) 5, D. Dean (14) 6. First in method by all. First on the bells. For All Saints' Day, the method being composed by W. H. Cavill, of Ashcott.

**BALDOCK, HERTS.**—On Jan. 17th, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: J. I. Dear 1, M. Orme 2, D. Salisbury 3, S. Hutton (first in the method) 4, J. S. Dear 5, D. Sutcliffe 6, E. Buck (cond.) 7, R. Castledine 8.

**BENTLEY, YORKS.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Mrs. E. Anderson 1, Mrs. E. Wylie 2, Miss P. Leigh 3, A. Mullinger 4, J. Whitham 5. For Harvest Festival. Also on Jan. 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Mrs. E. Anderson 1, Miss P. Leigh 2, Mrs. E. Wylie 3, R. J. Sanderson 4, J. Whitham 5. Conducting shared by 4 and 5. For carol service.

**BLETSOE, BEDS.**—On Jan. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. G. Edgson 1, P. J. Payne 2, J. B. Long 3, W. C. Budd 4, C. M. Payne (cond.) 5, J. Ames 6. Rung for the rededication of Bletsoe Church after extensive repairs.

**BOURNE, Lincs.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,320 Minor (Single Court and Cambridge Surprise): C. T. H. Bradley 1, D. Reeson 2, F. French 3, C. Wade (cond.) 4, W. Fayers 5, H. Burrell 6. Rung half-muffled to the memory of J. W. Lake, 1879-1965.

**BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.**—At the Norman Tower, on Jan. 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: C. Stannard (cond.) 1, A. W. Rolfe 2, J. Stannard 3, A. Ballam 4, H. Clarke 5, P. Everett 6, W. Goodship 7, J. Kerry 8, R. Stannard (first quarter) 9, J. Banks 10. To welcome the return of C. Stannard to the company, after his recent operation.

**CHISWICK, MIDD.**—On Oct. 26th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Julie S. Armstrong 1, L. Carole Andrews 2, R. J. Cooles 3, A. R. Millidge 4, R. E. J. Dennis 5, M. J. Uphill 6, J. W. Euston (cond.) 7, J. H. Gaze 8. To commemorate the bicentenary of the death of William Hogarth (October 26th, 1764), who is buried in the churchyard.

**CHOLSEY, BERKS.**—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Margaret Salt 1, R. Partridge 2, J. Money 3, Angela Ayres 4, T. Palmer 5, G. K. Cook (first as cond.) 6, H. Eccott 8. Rung to celebrate the 21st birthday of David Taylor, a local ringer.

**CHURCHDOWN, GLOS.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: L. Sheasby 1, R. W. Gould 2, C. Clarke 3, R. J. Daniels 4, C. Rouse (cond.) 5, S. W. Hargreaves 6. Half-muffled, in memoriam Leonard James Ivor Whiting, ringer at this church for many years, interred this day, aged 57 years.

**CLAYFRLEY, SALOP.**—On Jan. 10th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: J. Courtman 1, W. Francis 2, G. Goodson 3, C. Jones 4, F. Hinton 5, F. Bennett 6, V. Parton (first as cond.) 7, A. Nurse 8. A compliment to Mr. E. A. Drew, captain of the local band, on the occasion of his 70th birthday.

**CORSLEY, WILTS.**—On Jan. 6th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: Miss P. Sellick 1, N. Kne 2, R. Garret 3, L. Hawkins 4, C. White (cond.) 5, R. Holly 6. A 79th birthday compliment to J. Fricker, a local ringer, who has completed 60 years of ringing.

**DERBY.**—At the Cathedral, on Jan. 10th, 1,337 Stedman Caters: J. C. Woolley 1, H. Taylor 2, A. Taylor 3, M. R. Blore 4, J. B. Stennitt 5, G. A. Halls (cond.) 6, S. P. Walklate 7, D. Derbyshire 8, D. Friend 9, C. Thrower (first quarter) 10. For Epiphany.

**EAST COKER, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 9th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: G. Hebben 1, M. T. Hebben 2, M. G. Dodson 3, R. W. Rice 4, G. Jones (first in method) 5, D. J. Westlake 6, W. S. Rice (cond.) 7, C. J. Hornett 8.

**FINEDON, NORTHANTS.**—On Jan. 7th, 1,440 Plain Bob Major: J. Worley 1, E. Buckley 2, K. Chapman (first of Major) 3, R. Cowley 4, E. Chapman 5, R. Whitworth 6, C. Richardson 7, D. Pearson (first as cond.) 8.

**FULHAM, LONDON.**—At All Saints', on Jan. 3rd, 1,273 Grand-sire Triples: C. J. N. Dalton (first on eight bells) 1, Miss M. E. Powell 2, Miss D. A. Deverell 3, Mrs. G. G. Meyer 4, L. C. Way 5, M. J. Uphill 6, C. M. Meyer (comp. and cond.) 7, A. J. Hampton 8. For the service of lessons and carols.

**GLOUCESTER.**—On Dec. 22nd, at St. Mary-de-Crypt, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: R. Dale 1, P. Clarkson 2, R. Hazel 3, L. Edwards 4, P. Gould 5, P. Allen 6, L. Barry (cond.) 7, J. Whiting 8. For the 30th anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. J. Whiting.

**HEMINGTON, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 3rd, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: Dawn White 1, F. Phelms 2, P. Gould 3, H. Hawkins 4, B. Hawkins (cond.) 5, N. Perkins 6. Rung for Confirmation service, when five Hemington ringers were candidates. Also on Dec. 10th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: Dawn White, (15) 1, Sandra Weaver (14) 2, Ernest Penny (14) 3, Edward Penny (16) 4, Jennifer Durston (15, cond.) 5, B. Hawkins (18) 6. Rung by a 'teen-age' band.

**HYTHE, KENT.**—On Jan. 16th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Elizabeth A. Todd 1, Rose Wratten 2, Rachel J. Sinden 3, G. J. Neilson 4, B. L. Marks 5, C. T. Hillis 6, A. P. S. Berry (cond.) 7, R. P. Brotherton 8. Rung to celebrate the wedding that day of Myrtle J. Cook (ringer at Lypne) to Norman J. Butcher.

**KINGSTON-UPON-THAMES, SURREY.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,282 Cambridge Surprise Royal: W. Jackson 1, Caroline Carpenter 2, Rosamund Rawlings 3, R. Coles 4, A. Bishop 5, Deborah Hopkins 6, D. Wilkins 7, M. Bangham (cond.) 8, R. Harris 9, K. Newman 10.

**LIGH-ON-MENDIP, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 13th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: Patricia E. Trim 1, D. J. Withers (cond.) 2, Sylvia E. Trim 3, T. Nicholls 4, H. Crabbe 5, A. I. Tucker 6. Rung to celebrate the 17th birthday of Patricia E. Trim.

**LIFTON, DEVON.**—1,260 Grand-sire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering): W. Manning 1, G. Mudge 2, H. Hicks 3, J. Mitchelmore 4, J. Benoy 5, C. Parsons 6, W. C. Boucher (cond.) 7, L. Cundy 8. Rung for the golden wedding of Mr. Bickle, churchwarden, and Mrs. Bickle.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes', on Dec. 13th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: T. Lewis 1, T. E. Sone 2, Miss M. A. Ladd 3, Mrs. O. Tester 4, D. P. Smith 5, E. J. Ladd 6, C. Tester 7, J. W. Smith (cond.) 8. For Evensong. Also on Jan. 17th, 1,400 Kent Treble Bob Royal: P. J. Spice 1, E. J. Ladd 2, Miss M. A. Ladd 3, T. E. Sone (cond.) 4, Mrs. O. Tester 5, T. Lewis 6, Miss D. Colgate 7, J. W. Smith 8, D. P. Smith 9, C. Tester 10. For Evensong.

**LYTCHETT MATRAVERS, DORSET.**—On Jan. 18th, 1,272 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: Kathleen S. Fuller 1, Judith A. Robertson 2, D. R. Fuller 3, G. W. Elmes 4, M. J. Young 5, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 6. First of Treble Bob 1 and 3. First in the method by all.

**MILTON ABBOT, DEVON.**—1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: W. Manning 1, M. Bould 2, R. Bould 3, H. Hicks 4, W. C. Boucher (cond.) 5, L. Cundy 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of W. Hill.

**NAILSEA, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: H. Hardwidge 1, C. Kortwright 2, T. Phillips 3, P. Blake 4, J. Lott (first quarter) 5, L. Derrick (cond.) 6. A compliment to ringer of 4th, on his 80th birthday.

**NETHERBURY, DORSET.**—On Dec. 31st, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: B. Tither 1, G. Hawkins (first quarter) 2, John Davis 3, Mrs. D. Davis 4, Jesse Davis (cond.) 5, W. Lewis 6. Believed to be the first quarter by the Sunday service band.

**NEWENT, GLOS.**—On Jan. 9th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: T. Stevens 1, W. Jenkins 2, M. V. Powell (cond.) 3, F. Turner 4, K. Tyler 5, B. Mackett 6. Last quarter on bells before rehanging.

**NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.**—On Jan. 13th, 1,260 Minor (720 St. Clement's, 540 Plain Bob): Miss P. A. Drew 1, Miss H. A. Walters 2, Miss R. J. Kemp 3, A. J. Luxford 4, P. J. Joyce 5, M. D. Trigg (cond.) 6. By the Southampton University Guild as a birthday compliment to ringer of the second.

**PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.**—At the Church of St. John, on Dec. 20th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Ruth Haw 1, J. H. Bluff 2, G. S. Bush 3, W. R. Barker 4, F. Boyall 5, L. Hadman 6, J. W. Haw 7, B. Harris (cond.) 8. For Evensong service.

**PETERSFIELD, HANTS.**—On Jan. 17th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: Valerie Rushforth 1, H. DeCombe 2, K. Sansom (cond.) 3, K. Tipper 4, D. White 5, Cdr. Jackson 6. For Evensong, and in memoriam Mr. R. Reeves, who died on January 5th.

**PLYMOUTH, DEVON.**—At the Church of St. Andrew, on Nov. 8th, 1,259 Grand-sire Caters: Miss J. Marks 1, Miss Y. Porter 2, R. Bell 3, Mrs. M. Bould 4, J. Perkins 5, D. Wheeler 6, F. E. Day (cond.) 7, H. F. Myers 8, D. R. Bould 9, A. W. Myers 10. For Harvest Festival. Also on Dec. 22nd, 1,259 Grand-sire Caters: Miss J. Marks 1, Mrs. M. Bould 2, H. H. Thomas 3, H. Milford 4, A. Collings 5, J. Perkins 6, F. E. Day (cond.) 7, D. R. Bould 8, A. W. Myers 9, W. Marks 10. For Lord Mayor's carol service. Also on Dec. 25th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples (Parker's One-part): Miss J. Marks 1, A. Collings 2, F. E. Day (cond.) 3, H. Milford 4, J. Perkins 5, A. M. Myers 6, H. F. Myers 7, W. Marks 8.

**PORTSMOUTH, HANTS.**—At the Cathedral, on Jan. 16th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Grand-sire, Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob): Mrs. E. Jones 1, Patricia Samuel 2, R. I. Bowron 3, A. A. J. Buswell 4, K. P. Gilliver (cond.) 5, A. Dixon 6. Rung on the front six.

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—On Jan. 17th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: C. F. Mew (cond.) 1, Ruth Carr 2, Alison M. Mann 3, B. J. Bull 4, B. H. Coatsworth 5, A. R. Millidge 6, D. C. Brookes 7, A. R. Paterson 8. For Evensong.

**ROCHESTER, KENT.**—At the Cathedral, on Dec. 20th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: C. Davidson 1, D. S. Osenton 2, C. Jarrett 3, C. E. J. Norris 4, B. Trill 5, G. Phillipot 6, C. T. Osenton (cond.) 7, L. Crouch 8. A golden wedding compliment to the captain, Mr. C. E. J. Norris, and his wife.

**SEVENOAKS, KENT.**—On Jan. 17th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Judith M. Corby 1, Anne J. Rainey (first quarter of Major) 2, Lucile M. Corby 3, P. A. Corby 4, R. V. Fuller 5, W. J. Manning 6, D. Woodcock 7, A. J. Corby (first in the method as cond.) 8.

**SHIPTON-UNDER-WYCHWOOD, OXON.**—On Jan. 13th, a quarter peal of mixed Doubles: K. T. Wakelield 1, D. M. Lewis 2, W. H. Lewis (cond.) 3, B. W. Cooper 4, E. J. Townsend 5, T. Lewis 6. Rung for the birth of a son to Sheila, daughter of the conductor and sister of ringers of 2 and 6, who was a former ringer at this tower.

**SOLIHULL, WARWICKS.**—On Jan. 17th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: W. Leeson 1, T. J. Warner 2, V. W. Riggs 3, C. W. Bragg 4, R. J. Cann 5, G. Palmer (first as cond.) 6, G. E. Fearn 7, A. Crabtree 8.

**TORTWORTH, GLOS.**—On Jan. 9th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: G. Miners 1, N. Martin 2, R. Hedges (first as cond.) 3, C. H. Legge 4, G. Chamberlain 5, P. Wilcox 6. In honour of the Rev. W. A. Peel, who is leaving Tortworth after 33 years.

**TROWBRIDGE, WILTS.**—On Jan. 17th, 1,259 Grand-sire Caters: R. H. Johnston 1, Mrs. F. A. Penn 2, G. H. Harding 3, C. P. Quartley 4, N. P. Spencer 5, R. Gardner 6, R. H. Lucas 7, F. A. Penn 8, R. D. Quartley (first of Caters as cond.) 9, G. Davis 10. First quarter 1 and 6. For Communion.

**TURRAMURRA, NEW SOUTH WALES.**—On Jan. 10th, 1,272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Patricia Rynn (first quarter) 1, Margaret Goodyer 2, Enid Roberts 3, Walter Knight 4, John Rainsford 5, William Watson (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**WARNFORD, HANTS.**—On Jan. 13th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): B. Pink 1, Mary White 2, R. A. Stone 3, K. G. Waller 4, C. E. Bassett (cond.) 5, T. White 6. A 21st birthday compliment to Maureen White.

**WESTBOURNE, SUSSEX.**—On Jan. 14th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: L. Stilwell (cond.) 1, W. H. Riddle 2, Anne M. Smith 3, W. F. J. Cope 4, E. Treagus 5, P. Stevens 6, E. Winifred Keys 7, H. R. Morgan Marshall 8. A compliment to Mr. M. Meeten (lay reader) and Mrs. Meeten, on their golden wedding.

**WOULDHAM, KENT.**—On Dec. 27th, 1,440 Minor (Double Oxford and Plain Bob): C. Davidson 1, J. W. Coleman 2, Rev. P. N. Bond 3, C. S. Jarrett 4, D. S. Osenton (cond.) 5, C. T. Osenton 6. A farewell to the incumbent, Rev. G. A. Robson.

**WEST COKER, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: M. T. Hebben 1, R. W. Rice 2, G. Jones 3, M. G. Dodson 4, D. J. Westlake 5, G. Hebben 6, W. S. Rice (cond.) 7, C. J. Hornett 8. First of Bob Triples 5 and 6.

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### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

**CLAYTON.**—The address of the Rev. Tony Clayton is now Blankney, 76, Franciscan Road, Tooting Graveney, S.W.17. 6185

### PERSONAL

Thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle; thou shalt throw down mine enemies under me.—Psalm xviii, 39.

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We regret that one or two errors have crept into the new touches on page 79.

1. The lengths of the quarter peals of Triples in the last column shown as 1,280 should be 1,260.

2. In the second calling a 'H3' has been omitted from the second 'course.' The calling should be

	1,260	W	H
	23456	W	H
	52436	—	3
	52346	—	1 3
	24356	2	3
	26543	—	O
	35426	—	F
	23456	—	3

On the back end paper the method names Stansted and St. Edmundsbury College Triples should be transposed.

We have also been notified that the secretary of the Furness and Lake District of the Lancashire Association is Mr. T. F. Metcalfe, 49, Station Road, Flookburgh, Grange-over-Sands, and that the convener of the Records Committee of the Central Council (Mr. F. T. Blagrove) is not now at his Windsor address being at present in Rhodesia.—W. Viggers, M. Hodson. 6185

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Next practice at St. Nicolas', Guildford, for those wishing to practise for Cathedral on February 20th from 6 to 9 p.m. Surprise Royal on 2nd February, at 7.30 p.m. 6172

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**OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.**—The 1965 Tour will be centred on Truro between April 17th and April 23rd. Any non-resident member interested please contact C. Taylor, Truro School, Truro, as soon as possible. 6163

**PERSONAL PEAL ANALYSIS, 1964.**—If you want your total checked send details to Mr. James R. Taylor, 15, Greenacre Road, Whitechurch Bristol 4. Particulars wanted of tower- and handbell peals ring (separate totals) with numbers conducted in parentheses.

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—An Executive Committee meeting will be held in the vestry of Holy Trinity, Guildford, at 3 p.m. on Saturday, February 13th. Main business—annual report. 6135

Will those whose Subscriptions to 'THE RINGING WORLD' are outstanding please remit without delay or notify cancellation of order. Forgetfulness in not replying to our reminders adds to the cost of production and entails additional work to our busy staff.

**NORTHERN UNIVERSITIES.**—Meeting in Rotherham and Sheffield, Saturday, February 6th. Towers available:—Rotherham a.m.: St. Stephen's, Eastwood. 10.30–11.30; All Saints 11.30–1. Sheffield p.m.: St. Mary's, Handsworth 1.45–2.45; St. John Evan, Ranmoor 3.15–4.30; St. Marie's R.C. 4.30–5.45; Cathedral 6.30–7.45. Own arrangements for lunch and tea. 6134

**ST. KATHERINE'S, MERSTHAM.**—A Dedication service will be held instead of Evensong on Sunday, January 31st, at 6.30 p.m. Ringing will commence at 3 p.m. Tea at 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss B. Searle, 27, Orpin Road. Tel. Merstham 72. Please by Saturday, January 23rd. All are welcome. 6145

**UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY ANNUAL DINNER CHURCH HOUSE RESTAURANT, WESTMINSTER, S.W.1. on February 13th, 1965, at 6.30 for 7 p.m.**

Please send 22s. 6d. to Miss B. Dale, Westfield College, London, N.W.3, who will also supply ringing details, by February 8th. Visitors welcome. 6151

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### CANCELLED

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The meeting on January 30th at Stockport is cancelled.—C. K. Lewis. 6204

### MEETINGS

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—Annual meeting, January 30th. St. Mary's and Holy Trinity bells 3 p.m. Service at Holy Trinity 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. S. G. Ponting, Highdown, Milford, Godalming. NO St. Nicolas' bells afterwards. 6097

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—Annual general meeting, Hemel Hempstead, January 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss S. Williams, 7, Midland Road, Hemel Hempstead. 6160

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Central District.—Annual district meeting, Wood Green, January 30th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Further ringing till approx. 8.30 p.m. 6104

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—A.G.M., Chilvers Coton (10) on January 30th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. in Constitutional Club. Names for tea to Mrs. D. Beamish, 21, Gipsy Lane, Nuneaton, Warwicks. Further ringing in the evening. Gentlemen cordially invited.—S. E. Chesterton, Hon. Sec. 6131

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—Annual District meeting Basingstoke January 30th. St. Michael's bells 3 p.m. All Saints' bells 2.30. Service 4. Tea 4.45 p.m. Names, please, to John Chesterman, Leacroft, Sherborne St. John, Basingstoke. 6161

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.**—Isle of Wight District.—Annual meeting, Newport, January 30th. Bells 3.4.15 p.m. Service. Tea and business meeting to follow. Carisbrooke bells available afterwards.—A. M. Guy, Hon. Sec. 6138

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station) on Monday, February 1st, at 7 p.m. 6174

### ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

Business Meeting at 'THE RISING SUN' CARTER LANE, E.C. on Tuesday, February 2nd, at 8.15 p.m. Practices in February, all commencing 6.30 p.m.  
2nd—St. Paul's Cathedral.  
9th—St. Michael's, Cornhill.  
16th—St. Lawrence's, Jewry.  
23rd—St. Giles', Cripplegate.  
Members are asked to note that a meeting will be held at Exeter on May 29th, 1965. Local members particularly are asked to support this meeting and the attendance of other provincial members and companies is cordially invited.—John Chilcott 6191

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—Meeting Saturday, February 6th, Harrold. Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30. tea 5 p.m. Names to C. Payne, 32, George Street, Clapham, Beds. Bring your subscriptions. 6155

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Warwick Archdeaconry District.—Meeting at Lillington, Saturday, February 6th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. and after tea. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to me.—P. S. Bennett, College Farm, Bearley, Stratford-upon-Avon. 6126

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Meeting at Christ Church (10), North Shields, on Saturday February 6th. Bells from 2.30, tea at 4.30. service 6 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. S. Hewitt, 34, Albury Park Road, Tynemouth. 6203

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ely District.—Meeting at Fordham (6), Saturday, February 6th. Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30. tea 5 p.m. Important meeting concerning striking competition. Special methods: Double Oxford and Annab's London. 6198

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Gloucester Branch.—Meeting at Barnwood on Saturday, February 6th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., tea 5 p.m. Names to P. Clarkson, Hon. Sec., 28, Richmond Gardens, Longlevens, Glos., by 3rd (all welcome). 6190

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leatherhead District.—Annual general meeting at Leatherhead on February 6th. Bells (10) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify, by February 3rd. Mr. A. J. Smith, 25, Hillely Field Lane, Fetcham, Leatherhead, Surrey. 6154

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bridgnorth District.—Annual meeting will be held on February 6th, at Bridgnorth, Ringing St. Mary's 3, service 4.30, tea 5. Ringing St. Leonard's after tea. Names for tea by Wednesday, February 3rd, to Miss V. Edge, 10, The Crescent, Much Wenlock. 6167

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Watford District.—Annual District meeting, Saturday, February 6th, Watford, Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m., tea 5 p.m. Names essential to R. G. Bell, 131, Hamper Mill Lane, Watford. Tel Watford 27936.—G. W. Seaman, Dis. Sec. 6132

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—Quarterly meeting at Rainham on February 6th. Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m. Tea for those who notify Mr. F. J. Cheal, 49, Ivy Street, Rainham, by previous Wednesday.—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 6182

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—Meeting at Accrington on Saturday, February 6th. Bells (8) 3 p.m., tea 5 p.m., business to follow. Reduced charge for tea, if name sent to Mr. A. Helliwell, 24, Turkey Street, Accrington by Wednesday.—B. A. Tomlinson, Branch Sec. 6171

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—Meeting at St. James', Poolstock, on Saturday, February 6th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m., service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. L. Williams, 4, Coronation Street, Poolstock. 6165

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leicester District.—Meeting February 6th, Whetstone. Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m., tea 5. in Schoolroom. Names for tea to Mrs. Needham, 43, Victoria Road, Whetstone, by Feb 3rd.—A. J. Poynter, Dis. Sec. 6178

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**—Loughborough District.—Monthly meeting February 6th. at Hathern. Bells (6) 3 p.m., tea 4.30, service at 6 p.m., tea in Church Rooms. Names for tea not required. 6127

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—S. and W. District.—February 6th. Heston. Bells (8) from 3, service 4.30, tea to follow in Church Hall. Subscriptions now due to Miss Horsforth, please.—W. S. Deason, Hon. Sec., 12, Cardinal Walk, Hampton, Middlesex. 6164

**NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION**.—Meeting at Tunstall. February 6th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Committee meeting 4 p.m., service 5 p.m., tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to P. Adkins, 20, Jaycene Avenue, Tunstall, Stoke-on-Trent.—D. J. Midgley, Acting Hon. Sec. 6180

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Southern Branch.—Annual meeting, Thetford, Saturday, February 6th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, February 3rd, to Mr. H. B. Fuller, 97, Nelson Crescent, Thetford.—C. F. W. Philippo, Hon. Sec. 6146

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—North Bucks Branch.—Monthly practice February 6th. at Newport Pagnell. Bells (8) from 6 p.m.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Culworth Branch.—Annual meeting Chacombe, Saturday, February 6th. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous.—A. E. R. Walker, Eydon, Rugby. 6192

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Guilsborough Branch.—Meeting, Spratton, Saturday, February 6th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to J. E. Goddard, 45, Station Road, Long Buckley, Rugby. 6185

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Peterborough Branch.—A.G.M., Stamford, Saturday, February 6th. Bells, St. Martin's (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. All Saints' (6) available in evening. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to J. H. Bluff, 81, New Cross Road, Stamford.—R. H. Daw, Sec. 6193

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Northampton Branch.—A.G.M. postponed until Saturday, February 6th. All other arrangements stand.—B. E. Frost, Hon. Sec.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**—Devizes Branch.—Meeting on Saturday, February 6th. West Lavington (6). Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30. Names for tea: A. Knight, 6, Southwick Road, North Bradley, Trowbridge. 6139

**SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY**.—Monthly meeting York, February 6th. Bells (6) Inst. of Advanced Architectural Studies, 2 to 3.45. Evensong, Minster 4, tea 5 (Railway Inst.). Minster bells (12) 6.30 to 8.15. Names please to Mr. H. Walker, 1, Flavian Grove, Clifton, York, before Feb. 4th.—L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec. 6193

**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY**.—Next meeting Killmarsh, February 6th. Bells (6) 3 p.m., tea 5 p.m. Names please by Thursday, February 4th, to Mr. J. J. L. Gilbert, 10, Pye Bank Close, Sheffield, 3.—J. Seager. 6197

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS**  
**ANNUAL DINNER**  
 February 6th, 1965 at  
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 at 6 for 6.30 p.m.  
 Ringing arrangements: St. John's, Hackney 10.45-12; St. Leonard's, Shorditch, 12-1.15; St. Michael's, Cornhill, 3-4.15; St. Lawrence Jewry 4-5. Other ringing being arranged. 6196

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**—Nottingham District.—Meeting Nuthall, February 6th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Ambrose, 62, Parkfields Road, Nuthall, Nottingham by February 3rd.—S. Adams. 6181

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Northern Division.—Annual Divisional meeting, Saturday, February 6th. Crawley. Bells (8) 3 p.m., service 4.30. Tea 5, for those who notify Mr. G. Jennings, 5, Malthouse Road, Crawley, by Wednesday, February 3rd.—E. L. Hairs, Hon. Div. Sec. 6166

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Christchurch District.—Annual meeting at Ringwood, on Saturday, February 6th. Ringing from 2.30 p.m., service 4.30 p.m., tea and meeting 5.15 in the Star

Inn. Ringing to follow. Names essential for tea (3s. 6d.) to L. F. Cobb, 182, Southampton Road, Ringwood, by Tuesday, Feb. 2nd. 6194

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Portsmouth District.—Annual general meeting St. Mary's, Portsea, February 6th. Bells 3.30, service 5, tea 5.30 in Youth Centre. Evening ringing at Cathedral 7.15 till 9. Names for tea to Mrs. Siddorn, 134, Church Road, Portsmouth, by previous Wednesday please.—L. Duguid. 6173

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (WIRRAL BRANCH)**  
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**EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD**.—Meeting on February 13th. at Speldhurst (8) 3-5 and 6-7 p.m., tea 5 p.m. Alternative evening ringing will be arranged. Names for tea by February 11th to Miss M. A. Ladd, 4, William Street, Tunbridge Wells, Kent. 6168

**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS**—East Devon Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Broadhembury on Saturday, February 13th. Bells from 3 p.m., service 4.15, tea and meeting after. Names for tea by 10th to Webb, Oakwell, Millhead Road, Honiton, Phone 521. 6171

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Llandaff Branch.—Annual meeting to be held at Pontypridd on Saturday, February 13th. Ringing from 2.30 p.m., service at 4 p.m., tea and business to follow. Names for tea by February 8th, to Mr. W. J. Goodfellow, Sec., 33, Brook Road, Fairwater, Cardiff. 6169

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION**  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
 Saturday, February 13th  
 St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside 2-3; St. Clement Danes, Strand, 4-5.30; service 5.30 followed by tea and meeting George Hotel, Strand. Handbell Competition. Social Evening. Names essential to Miss M. E. Powell, 56, Narbonne Avenue, S.W.4. KEL 2390, Annual Dinner February 27th, 1965. Tickets at A.G.M.—Miss V. E. Dupre, Hon. Sec., 63, Woodlawn Road, S.W.6. REN 4423. 6189

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Eastern Branch.—Annual meeting Great Yarmouth, February 13th. Bells (13) from 2.30 p.m., service 4.15, tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, February 10th certain please, to Mr. P. G. W. Newstead, 23, Barnard Ave., Gt. Yarmouth.—N.P.J.C., Branch Sec. 6053

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Eastern Branch.—Annual branch meeting, Great Yarmouth, February 13th. Bells (13) from (please note) 3.30 p.m., service 4.15, tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, February 10th, certain please to Mr. P. G. W. Newstead, 23, Barnard Avenue, Great Yarmouth.—N.P.J.C., Branch Sec. 6179

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Davenport Branch.—Meeting, Harpole, Saturday, February 13th. Important. Names for tea to me not later than Monday previous please.—F. W. Hancock. 6179

**SURREY ASSOCIATION**.—Practice meeting and social on Saturday, February 13th, at St. John-the-Baptist, Croydon. Bells 6.30 p.m. Social 7.30 in Church Hall. Refreshments 2s. 6d. Names to Mrs. F. E. Collins, 17, Hamilton Road, Thornton Heath, Croydon, by previous Monday, please. 6187

**SUFFOLK GUILD**—North-West District.—Practice meeting at Brandon (6) on Saturday, February 13th. Bells 6.30 p.m. to 9 p.m.—A. F. Ballam, Dis. Sec. 6184

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Annual general meeting of the Winchester District will take place at New Alresford on February 13th at 2.30 p.m.—R. Collis, Sec. 6175

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Meeting at Kirkby-in-Furness on Saturday, February 20th. Please note change of date. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to the Rev. C. E. Whitaker, The Vicarage, Kirkby-in-Furness, Lancs.—T. F. Metcalfe. 6197

**QUARTER PEALS**

**CUTTINGHAM, E. YORKS.**—On Jan. 17th, 1,288 Spliced Plain and Little Bob Major: Mrs. Renee Page-Jones 1, Jean Woodbridge 2, K. Goldthorpe 3, C. L. D. Munday 4, J. I. Booth 5, C. C. Brown 6, P. Scroston 7, R. D. Gibson (cond.) 8. First of Spiced Plain and Little for all except 3 and 8. Rung for Evensong.

**HENLEY, SUFFOLK.**—On Jan. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: T. Gooderham 1, L. P. Brain (first quarter 'inside') 2, S. Hammond 3, H. W. Egglestone (cond.) 4, C. Loke 5, R. Groom 6. For morning service.

**LONDON.**—At St. Vedast's, Foster Lane, on Jan. 17th, 1,296 Spliced S. Minor (six methods): Yvonne Edwards 1, R. E. J. Dennis 2, R. D. Bailey (cond.) 3, T. G. Pett 4, A. H. Smith 5, R. O. Humphries 6. For morning service by U.L.S.C.R.

**LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICS.**—At the Bell Foundry Campanile, on Jan. 4th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: S. Humphrey 1, Miss E. J. Foster 2, R. A. G. Benfield (cond.) 3, Miss S. Poppleston 4, P. Humphrey 5, G. A. Dawson 6, B. S. Payne 7, G. R. Edwards 8.

**MARTIN, HANTS.**—On Dec. 14th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Hans Juhkental 1, J. Baverstock 2, P. T. King (first as cond.) 3, W. Perrins 4, R. N. Marlow 5, K. Owen (first quarter) 6.

**NOTTINGHAM.**—At the Church of St. Peter, on Jan. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Miss S. Poppleston 1, P. Hawcock 2, P. Humphrey 3, Miss M. Chilton 4, S. Foskett 5, R. Green 6, S. Humphrey 7, G. A. Dawson 8, R. Inglis 9, J. R. Pratchett (cond.) 10.

**OVER, CAMBS.**—On Jan. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Patricia White 1, D. Murler 2, P. Leggett 3, W. Bavin 4, J. Causer 5, A. Payne (cond.) 6. A compliment to Miss P. White, upon her engagement to Mr. G. Thurlbourn.

**RAWMARSH, W. YORKS.**—On Jan. 16th, 1,320 Doubles (three methods): D. Burling 1, J. Smalley (first quarter) 2, A. King 3, G. Pilkington 4, M. King (cond.) 5, D. Hutton 6. First of Doubles for 1, 2 and 4.

**RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 17th, 1,260 Spiced Grandsire and Stedman Triples: Miss S. Hayward 1, P. Bedford 2, T. Jones 3, F. May 4, M. Hallett 5, D. Belcham 6, A. House (cond.) 7, W. Ward 8. A 21st birthday compliment to P. Bedford, also to Gerald and Liz Sandwell on the birth of a daughter.

**SAPCOTE, LEICS.**—On Dec. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: K. Isaacs (first quarter) 1, Christine J. Stratford 2, B. C. Burrows 3, L. Watkins 4, M. E. Brown (cond.) 5, A. Chapman 6. Rung for the toy service. Also on Jan. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: K. Isaacs 1, Dorothy Page 2, L. Watkins 3, J. Watkins 4, B. L. Burrows 5, M. E. Brown (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to Mr. A. V. Stratford, treasurer of this church, whose funeral took place this day.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: June Wood 1, M. Wood 2, D. Sretton 3, Carol Corton 4, D. Stenson 5, A. Mildred 6, K. Mildred (cond.) 7, M. Brown 8.

**SPRINGFIELD, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: K. Brown 1, Miss M. Pantou 2, I. R. Pantou 3, B. G. Brinkley 4, P. J. Rothera 5, P. Brown (cond.) 6. Rung fully muffled in memoriam Rev. J. B. H. Britter (late Rector), who died suddenly on January 2nd.

**WARSP, NOTTS.**—On Dec. 27th, 1,440 Warkworth Surprise Minor: Miss A. C. Rooke 1, J. T. Rooke 2, G. Challans 3, F. Cooke 4, D. H. Rooke 5, H. T. Rooke (cond.) 6. For carol service. Also on Jan. 3rd, 720 London Surprise Minor and 600 Oxford T.B. Minor: J. T. Rooke 1, D. H. Rooke 2, R. Lucas 3, F. Cooke 4, F. Flint 5, H. T. Rooke (cond.) 6.

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