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These famous bell-founding firms have kindly consented to this adaptation of their advertisements to meet the pressure on our space, due to the compulsory reduction in the number of our pages this week.

CHRISTMAS QUIZ

THIS week we publish the solution of the Christmas Quiz, and there is no lack of evidence that the introduction of this feature and the Crossword created widespread interest. Not all of our readers enjoyed this innovation. Writes one whose opinions we respect; 'Please do not waste precious space on puzzles, quizes and general frivolity. They may be suitable for less dignified journals, but a serious technical paper like ours may surely be spared. There may be some small demand for these things, but I think in this case "The Ringing World" can do some good educative work by forming taste and raising standards.'

On the other hand, the competitors have included leading personalities in the Exercise, men who give leadership. One, in offering his congratulations and thanks to 'Kewsett' for the interest and entertainment provided, adds that both have given rise to considerable discussion in his district. From one of our humbler ringers comes the following comment at the end of his paper, in which he returned seven out of ten correct replies: 'Not yet being (after years and years of hunting) off the treble to Grandsire, I can hardly hope that the foregoing will show anything more than a dismal ignorance of the art of ringing. I should, however, like to thank "Kewsett" for his very entertaining posers, which have given me much enjoyment during Christmas. And may it not be long before he's at it again.'

One other comment from an old friend of 'The Ringing World': 'Please give us some more; they can be very educational in the ringing field. . . . The quiz gave us quite a lot to chat about. One ringer, in fact, said to me on Christmas Eve, "If you can tell me the Welsh Cathedral with the detached campanile, I'll swop that answer for any other one in the quiz. I've spent hours scanning the Encyclopædia Britannica, and know it isn't Llandaff, Bangor, etc., but can't find out which it is!"' The Editor was impressed by the number of young competitors. Answers in some cases went to several pages and diagrams were introduced in regard to the peal at Westminster Abbey to show the axis of rotation and the axis of symmetry! The response has led us to conclude that it was a stimulating experiment that justified the space occupied, and the mathematically inclined among our readers are more numerous than we imagined.

TWELVE BELL PEAL

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 6, 1947, *in* 4 *Hours and* 3 *Minutes.*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANGES;
Tenor 26¾ cwt. in D.

*JOSEPH W. WHITTAKER	*Treble*	†WALTER ALLMAN	7
†ALAN A. POTTS (15) ...	2	JAMES C. E. SIMPSON ...	8
*JAMES FERNLEY	3	*GEORGE LEDSHAM ...	9
JOHN E. BIBBY	4	†ERIC J. GILBERT	10
*CYRIL VALENTINE	5	*RALPH G. EDWARDS ...	11
*C. KENNETH LEWIS ...	6	*JOHN WORTH ...	*Tenor*

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by JOHN WORTH.
* First peal of Surprise Maximus. † First twelve-bell peal. First peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus for the Guild.

TEN BELL PEALS

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.
LONDON COUNTY ASSN. & N. SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 6, 1947, *in* 3 *Hours and* 9 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 16½ cwt. in E.

*MRS. K. F. J. PARR	*Treble*	SQUIRE CROFT	6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER	2	*DAVID J. CHARNLEY ...	7
MRS. OLIVE L. ROGERS	3	HAROLD W. ROGERS ...	8
†MRS. M. H. HOPGOOD	4	GEOFFREY DODDS ...	9
‡MISS SHEILA E. HARRIS	5	JAMES BULLOCK	*Tenor*

Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by HAROLD W. ROGERS.
* First peal of Plain Bob. † First peal. ‡ First peal of Bob Royal. For the 65th birthday of Mr. Harry Brooks.

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Dec. 8, 1947, *in* 3 *Hours and* 8 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES;
Tenor 13½ cwt.

LEONARD TREVOR	*Treble*	*MRS. D. E. BEAMISH ...	6
JAMES F. CLARKE ...	2	*JOHN GIBBONS	7
*JAMES DRAYCOTT	3	*HARRY HARRIS	8
*FRANK TROTMAN	4	*ARTHUR H. BEAMISH ...	9
*JOHN THOMPSON	5	*JOHN E. S. MORETON...	*Tenor*

Composed by EDGAR C. SHEPHERD. Conducted by A. H. BEAMISH.
* First peal of Grandsire Caters. First on ten for 3, 7 and 8.

WISBECH, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., Dec. 9, 1947, *in* 3 *Hours and* 23 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;
Tenor 21 cwt.

WALTER JARVIS	*Treble*	JAMES PHILLIPS	6
*MISS M. LONGBOTTOM	2	WALTER STOREY	7
FRED WIGMORE	3	WALTER FREEMAN	8
HARRY PIGGINS	4	HARRY MEANS	9
*MISS MARY WHITLOCK...	5	*FRED MOYES	*Tenor*

Composed by J. CARTER (CCC. 30). Conducted by F. WIGMORE.
* First peal. First of Grandsire Caters by all.

LONDON, S.W.
ALL SAINTS', FULHAM, SOCIETY.
On Sat., Dec. 13, 1947, *in* 3 *Hours and* 17 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, FULHAM.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5091 CHANGES;

*MICHAEL V. CHILCOTT	*Treble*	*JOHN W. STEPHENSON...	6
HERBERT LANGDON ...	2	WILLIAM J. PAICE ...	7
J. FRANK SMALLWOOD...	3	JOHN PHILLIPS	8
*GORDON R. ALLSOP ...	4	ALFRED B. PECK	9
WILLIAM LANGDON ...	5	JOHN E. CHILCOTT ...	*Tenor*

Composed by W. T. ELSON. Conducted by J. FRANK SMALLWOOD.
* First peal in the method. Tenor 20 cwt.

BROMSGROVE, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 13, 1947, *in* 3 *Hours and* 20 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 18 cwt.

H. JAMES TURNER	*Treble*	SIDNEY T. HOLT	6
WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT	2	NORMAN J. GOODMAN...	7
GEORGE E. LARGE ...	3	THOMAS HEMMING ...	8
DENIS R. MORRIS	4	*REGINALD WOODYATT ...	9
CLIFFORD SKIDMORE ...	5	THOMAS W. LEWIS ...	*Tenor*

Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by SIDNEY T. HOLT.
* First peal of Surprise Royal.

CREWE, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 13, 1947, *in* 3 *Hours and* 17 *Minutes,*
AT CHRIST CHURCH,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;
Tenor 20 cwt.

HOWARD HOWELL ...	*Treble*	GEORGE A. PACKER ...	6
HARRY F. HOLDING ...	2	ARTHUR V. PEARSON ...	7
*RICHARD D. LANGFORD	3	EDW. V. RODENHURST	8
RICHARD T. HOLDING...	4	†ARTHUR PRITCHARD ...	9
CYRIL TABERNER	5	ALAN F. THIRST ...	*Tenor*

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by H. HOWELL.
* 100th peal. † 150th peal.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

WHITTLE-LE-WOODS, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 6, 1947, *in* 3 *Hours and* 15 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,
A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 21 cwt.

CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE ...	*Treble*	E. ROGER MARTIN ...	5
THOMAS BARKER	2	*EDW. COWPERTHWAITE	6
*G. ALEC DIMMOCK ...	3	JOHN CHARNOCK	7
JOHN JACKSON	4	ARTHUR HATCH	*Tenor*

Composed by ED. TIMBRELL. Conducted by CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE.
* First peal of Surprise. First peal in the method by all the band and in the branch.

EWHURST, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 6, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 58 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 11 cwt.

WILLIAM T. BEESON	*Treble*	ERIC T. LEE	5
FREDERICK A. MUNDAY	2	†LESLIE WARNER	6
*MRS. F. A. MUNDAY ...	3	C. ERNEST SMITH ...	7
LEONARD STILWELL ...	4	*NOEL STACEY ...	*Tenor*

Conducted by C. ERNEST SMITH.
* First peal. † First peal 'inside.'

SALFORD, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., Dec. 9, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 48 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED TRINITY,
A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5000 CHANGES;

HAROLD WALKER ...	*Treble*	*FRANK REED	5
RONALD H. DOVE ...	2	*ALBERT FORD	6
*MARY WALSHAW	3	*RICHARD BENSON	7
*HERBERT LUDKIN ...	4	CLIFFORD A. VESSEY ...	*Tenor*

Composed and Conducted by CLIFFORD A. VESSEY.
* First peal in the method. Tenor 11½ cwt.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Dec. 11, 1947, *in* 3 *Hours and* 8 *Minutes,*
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Pitstow's Variation. Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.

ALFRED H. PULLING	*Treble*	WILLIAM J. ROBINSON ...	5
WILLIAM T. BEESON ...	2	RONALD J. C. HAGLEY ...	6
FREDK. A. MUNDAY ...	3	HAROLD A. MAY	7
GEORGE W. STEERE ...	4	WM. H. INWOOD ...	*Tenor*

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

FARNHAM, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 13, 1947, *in* 3 *Hours and* 5 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Pitstow's Variation. Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.

ALFRED H. PULLING	*Treble*	CHAS. W. R. GRIMWOOD	5
G. SYDNEY JOYCE	2	T. MARK WHITE	6
WILLIAM J. ROBINSON ...	3	HERBERT G. ANDREWS...	7
THOMAS E. DENYER ...	4	HAROLD A. MAY	*Tenor*

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

BRADFORD-ON-AVON, WILTSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 13, 1947, *in* 3 *Hours,*
AT CHRIST CHURCH,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 12 cwt.

CHARLES BUTCHER ...	*Treble*	FREDK. S. SLATFORD ...	5
MRS. F. A. PENN	2	PERCIVAL W. J. HARDING	6
FRANK A. PENN	3	JOHN H. HUNT	7
REGINALD H. NEWTON...	4	FREDK. W. BURNETT ...	*Tenor*

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by JOHN H. HUNT.

NORTH MIMMS, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 13, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 54 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF EALING SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 13 cwt.

HENRY HODGETTS	*Treble*	*ERIC B. HARTLEY ...	5
*DENNIS A. BAYLES ...	2	*THOMAS H. FRANCIS ...	6
*PATRICIA HOLMES ...	3	FREDK. W. BRINKLOW	7
FRANCIS KIRK	4	HAROLD G. CASHMORE...	*Tenor*

Composed and Conducted by HAROLD G. CASHMORE.
* First peal in the method.

HUSBORNE CRAWLEY, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 13, 1947, *in* 3 *Hours and* 7 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

JOHN CHURCH	*Treble*	†ANDREW C. SINFIELD	5
BETTY SPICE	2	EDMUND J. HOBBS ...	6
†C. HENRY HARDING ...	3	LEWIS H. BYWATERS ...	7
†RONALD J. SHARP ...	4	†BRYAN F. SIMS	*Tenor*

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by BETTY SPICE.
* First peal of Surprise Major. † First peal in the method. The first peal in the method as conductor. Tenor 18¼ cwt.

CHATHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 13, 1947, *in* 3 *Hours and* 5 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 25 cwt.

*ALEXANDER S. WATT ...	*Treble*	RONALD E. NORRIS ...	5
FREDK. RICHARDSON ...	2	THOMAS BEAUMONT ...	6
CYRIL S. JARRETT ...	3	WILLIAM A. J. KNIGHT...	7
†VICTOR A. JARRETT ...	4	CHARLES E. J. NORRIS...	*Tenor*

Conducted by WILLIAM A. J. KNIGHT.
* First peal. † First peal of Triples. For the King's birthday.

CRAYFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 13, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 56 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,
A PEAL OF SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Containing 2,496 changes of London, 1,344 Bristol, 640 Cambridge and 608 Superlative, with 126 changes of method. Tenor 12¾ cwt.

EDWIN BARNETT	*Treble*	FREDK. J. CULLUM ...	5
EDWIN A. BARNETT ...	2	PHILIP A. CORBY	6
HARRY HOVERD	3	CHARLES W. ROBERTS ...	7
*GEOFFREY V. MURPHY...	4	ERNEST C. S. TURNER ...	*Tenor*

Composed and Conducted by E. A. BARNETT.
* First peal of Spliced Surprise. First peal of Spliced Surprise as conductor.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Sat., Dec. 13, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 47 *Minutes,*
AT BISHOP RYDER'S CHURCH,
A PEAL OF BELGRAVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

GEORGE F. SWANN ...	*Treble*	FRANK E. PERVIN ...	5
*EDGAR C. SHEPHERD ...	2	THOMAS W. SHEPPARD	6
REV. M. MELVILLE ...	3	*FRANK E. HAYNES ...	7
HENRY H. FEARN ...	4	GEORGE E. FEARN ...	*Tenor*

Composed by CHAS. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by FRANK E. PERVIN.
* First peal of Belgrave Major. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lb.

DERBY.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 13, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 52 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-part (7th observation). Tenor 16 cwt.

*ALBERT E. THOMPSON...	*Treble*	WILLIAM A. PARSONS ...	5
*CHARLES W. WALKLAKE	2	JACK BAILEY	6
†HENRY K. WATERFIELD	3	BARNABAS G. KEY	7
FRANCIS R. LOWE ...	4	WALTER SHAW	*Tenor*

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.
* First peal. † First peal away from tenor.

DEVIZES, WILTSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 13, 1947, *in* 3 *Hours and* 5 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 19¼ cwt.

JACK MUSSELL	*Treble*	*RONALD MARLOW	5
WILLIAM A. THEOBALD ...	2	PETER ANGER	6
FRANCES A. EDGAR ...	3	LEONARD HARRIS	7
LESLIE A. PAGE	4	FRANK L. HARRIS ...	*Tenor*

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by FRANK L. HARRIS.
* First peal of Major.

SOUTHAMPTON.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 13, 1947, *in* 3 *Hours and* 11 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

E. JOAN SALMONS ...	*Treble*	RICHARD SMITH	5
NESTA D. SMITH	2	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ...	6
CHARLES H. KIPPIN ...	3	LESLIE A. TREMEER ...	7
*REV. K. W. H. FELSTEAD	4	ERNEST F. SALMONS ...	*Tenor*

Composed by F. DENCH. Conducted by CHAS. H. KIPPIN.
* First peal of Treble Bob Major. To celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Melville. Tenor 16¼ cwt. in F.

AUDLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat, Dec. 13, 1947, *in* 3 *Hours and* 14 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES-THE-GREAT,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Middleton's. Tenor 15¼ cwt.

*REG. ROWLEY ...	*Treble*	NEVILLE R. HOLLAND...	5
WILLIAM P. DEANE ...	2	RICHARD J. WARRILOW	6
*FREDERICK E. WILSHAW	3	JOHN WORTH	7
†ARTHUR PEAKE	4	CHARLES H. PAGE ...	*Tenor*

Conducted by JOHN WORTH.
* First Surprise peal. † First peal of Cambridge Major. First peal of Surprise on the bells.

DITCHEAT, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 13, 1947, *in* 3 *Hours and* 17 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

ALEC MUNDY	*Treble*	HENRY J. SANGER ...	5
*H. PERCY SPARKS ...	2	*EDWARD J. CHIVERS ...	6
*FREDERICK SAVAGE ...	3	RONALD G. BECK	7
THOMAS W. KIMBER ...	4	JOSEPH T. DYKE ...	*Tenor*

Composed by H. W. WILDE. Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.
* First peal in the method. Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

SIX BELL PEALS

BOSLEY, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 29, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 45 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven extents called differently. Tenor 5 cwt

*MISS JUNE HENSHAW ...	*Treble*	SIDNEY HOUGH, JUN. ...	4
F. HORSFIELD	2	JOHN W. L. SLACK ...	5
CHARLES W. LAWTON ...	3	MRS. C. W. LAWTON ...	*Tenor*

Conducted by CHARLES W. LAWTON.
* First peal. First peal as conductor. A visual aid to memory was used by the conductor.

COUND, SHROPSHIRE.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 6, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 54 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Ten callings. Tenor 12 cwt.

FREDK. G. BEDDOW ...	*Treble*	CLIFFORD BARRON	4
WILLIAM A. FARMER ...	2	ARTHUR PRITCHARD ...	5
A. EDWARD REEVES ...	3	CHARLES E. EDWARDS...	*Tenor*

Conducted by ARTHUR PRITCHARD.
First peal of Stedman Doubles by all.

TAXAL, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 6, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 55 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two extents of Plain Bob, three extents of Kent Treble Bob and two extents of Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 11¾ cwt.

MISS YVONNE BOTHAM	*Treble*	ERIC SIMPSON	4
*MISS MAVIS BOTHAM ...	2	†SAM DEPLEDGE	5
ARTHUR HIBBERT	3	JAMES A. MILNER	*Tenor*

Conducted by JAMES A. MILNER.
* First peal in three methods 'inside.' † First peal.

CURRY MALLET, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Dec. 10, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 59 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven different extents. Tenor 11 cwt.

*DENNIS R. BEST ...	*Treble*	*FREDERICK WELCH ...	4
MRS. E. S. POWELL ...	2	REGINALD BEALE	5
*REGINALD WELCH ...	3	JOHN T. LOCK	*Tenor*

Conducted by REGINALD BEALE.
* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor as conductor.

BOOTLE, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Dec. 8, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 35 *Minutes,*
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two extents each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and one of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

E. EDMONDSON	...*Treble*	J. HALE	4
JOHN BROWN	2	W. H. DEACON	5
T. S. HORRIDGE	3	JOHN MCKEE	...*Tenor*

Conducted by JOHN MCKEE.
In memoriam James McKee, brother of the conductor and a member of the local band 1923-1939, who was killed in action June, 1940.

WORCESTER.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Dec. 10, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 38 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt. in B.

*HORACE J. BENTLEY	...*Treble*	GEORGE E. LARGE	4
WM. H. A. COMPTON	2	†ALBERT E. HUMPHRIES	5
ALLEN MORGAN	3	THOMAS W. LEWIS	...*Tenor*

Conducted by GEORGE E. LARGE.
* First peal of Minor. † First of Minor on an 'inside' bell.

HALSALL, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Dec. 10, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 35 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being one 720 of Oxford Treble Bob, three each of Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

*MISS VERA DRAPER	...*Treble*	J. POUNDS	4
A. MAWDSLEY	2	R. CRITCHLEY	5
C. ACKERS	3	W. CORE	...*Tenor*

Conducted by W. CORE.
* First peal.

LEICESTER.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wed., Dec. 10, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 27 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven different 720's. Tenor 8 cwt.

HAROLD J. POOLE	...*Treble*	*WALTER P. WHITEHEAD	4
MRS. H. J. POOLE	2	*ALAN CATTELL	5
JILL POOLE	3	*HERRICK B. BOWLEY	...*Tenor*

Conducted by WALTER P. WHITEHEAD.
* First peal of Cambridge Minor. First peal of Minor on the bells.

AUGHTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Dec. 11, 1947 *in* 2 *Hours and* 23 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 2,160 Kent Treble Bob and 2,880 of Plain Bob. Tenor 5½ cwt.

*ALFRED ABRAHAM	...*Treble*	ROBERT LARKEY	4
JAMES TAYLOR	2	‡MRS. PHYLLIS BOOTH	5
†MISS A. ABRAHAM	3	WM. H. DEACON	...*Tenor*

Conducted by WILLIAM H. DEACON.
* First peal. † First 'inside.' ‡ First of Minor.

CRANFORD, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Dec. 11, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 42 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being an extent each of Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Single Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9¾ cwt.

LEONARD TOSELAND	...*Treble*	BERNARD J. SADDINGTON	4
*MISS ENID WALKLAKE	2	BURLEY P. MORRIS	5
*JOHN SHATFORD	3	*GEOFFREY E. WATSON	...*Tenor*

Conducted by GEOFFREY E. WATSON.
* First peal in seven methods.

FITZHEAD, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Dec. 12, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 54 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Forty-two six-scores, ten callings. Tenor 12 cwt.

DOUGLAS BELLAMY	...*Treble*	FRANK BRANCHFLOWER	4
RAYMOND WINTER	2	CLAUDE W. J. TARR	5
ARTHUR VENTON	3	WILLIAM COMMINS	...*Tenor*

Conducted by CLAUDE W. J. TARR.

CLUTTON, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 13, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 43 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven extents. Tenor 13 cwt.

*LEONARD F. ELLIS	...*Treble*	F. CECIL MOGFORD	4
†THOMAS W. HARRIS	2	*C. J. FORD	5
JOHN W. OWEN	3	ANDREW J. CORRIGAN	...*Tenor*

Conducted by ANDREW J. CORRIGAN.
* First peal of Plain Bob. † First of Plain Bob 'inside.'

BICKER, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 13, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 44 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHIN,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 8¼ cwt.

NORMAN B. FOVARGUE	*Treble*	WILLIAM B. DAWSON	4
*ROBERT HOWARD	2	†JOHN P. MORRISS	5
CYRIL WANDER	3	GEORGE R. DAWSON	...*Tenor*

Composed by REV. E. BANKES JAMES. Conducted by C. WANDER.
* First peal on an 'inside' bell. † First Surprise peal.

HANDBELL PEALS

PUDSEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Dec. 3, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 4 *Minutes,*
At 9, PEMBROKE ROAD,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

JOHN AMBLER	1-2	WILLIAM BARTON	5-6
FRED HODGSON	3-4	ERNEST BETTS	7-8

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by WILLIAM BARTON.

BOURNEMOUTH.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 6, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 4 *Minutes,*
At 26, WELLINGTON ROAD,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-part (7th observation).

WILLIAM G. YOUNG	1-2	MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY	5-6
DANIEL T. MATKIN	3-4	FRANCIS S. WILSON	7-8

Conducted by DANIEL T. MATKIN.
First peal of Triples as conductor 'in hand.' An 82nd birthday compliment to Eli Walters, of St. Peter's band, and John W. Jones, of Newport, Mon.

EPSOM.
THE UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Dec. 7, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 13 *Minutes,*
At 74, HOOKFIELD,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5104 CHANGES;
Tenor size 16 in B flat.

PHILIP M. J. GRAY	1-2	EDWIN J. LINDLEY	5-6
RICHARD F. B. SPEED	3-4	GEOFFREY DODDS	7-8

Arranged and Conducted by EDWIN J. LINDLEY.

LEICESTER.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Tues., Dec. 9, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 9 *Minutes,*
AT THE VERGER'S LODGE, ST. MARGARET'S VICARAGE,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-part (7th observation).

WALTER P. WHITEHEAD	1-2	ERNEST MORRIS	5-6
CHARLES MARSHALL	3-4	JOSIAH MORRIS	7-8

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.
First peal of Triples 'in hand' as conductor.

SIBLE HEDINGHAM, ESSEX.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Thurs., Dec. 11, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 10 *Minutes.*
AT VICTORIA VILLAS,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

EDWIN JENNINGS	1-2	ALBERT CATTERWELL	5-6
ERNEST W. PYE	3-4	OLAVE E. BROYD	7-8

Composed by G. E. JENNINGS. Conducted by ERNEST W. PYE.

BUSHEY, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Dec. 12, 1947, *in* 2 *Hours and* 19 *Minutes,*
AT THE ROYAL MASONIC JUNIOR SCHOOL.
A PEAL OF JERSEY SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

HENRY HODGETTS	1-2	HAROLD G. CASHMORE	5-6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY	3-4	FREDK. W. BRINKLOW	7-8

Composed and Conducted by HAROLD G. CASHMORE.

'THE RINGING WORLD'

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BELFRY GOSSIP

December was a very successful month for the Southwell Guild in the matter of augmentations. They were Radcliff-on-Trent, 6 to 8, on Dec. 3rd; Warsop, 4 to 6, on Dec. 13th; and Rampton, 4 to 6, on Dec. 21st.

Mr. Sam Dopledge, now in his 60th year, has scored his first peal at Taxal, Cheshire, where he learnt to ring over 40 years ago.

Chester Diocesan Guild have something to talk about with their first peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus for the Guild. Nine of the participants have rung the extent of Cambridge from Minor to Maximus, and Mr. John Worth has called peals in the method accordingly. All are resident members.

In honour of the 65th birthday of Mr. Harry Brooks, a peal of Bob Royal was rung at Isleworth, in which eight of the company were members of the local band. Mr. Brooks has a 42 years' membership at this tower, and his daughter, Mrs. Kathleen Parr, rang the treble.

Chilvers Coton Sunday service ringers have now mastered Grandsire Caters with the first peal on the bells since the dedication of the trebles last May. Eight of company rang their first of Grandsire Caters.

A similar performance is recorded from Wisbech by the Sunday service band. With this peal Mr. F. Wigmore registered his 100th peal.

Last week we recorded the congratulations of the Preston Branch to the Wigan Branch on their first Surprise peal. Wigan can now reciprocate. Preston have scored their first of Yorkshire.

The 50 years' membership of the Bedfordshire Association of Mr. Douglas Harris, of Woburn, was commemorated by a peal of Cambridge on the bells of the village. The history of the Bedfordshire Association which appeared in 'The Ringing World' of January 3rd, 1947, was written by Mr. Harris.

We have now a second member on the Central Council for the Care of Churches. Since the report of the Council went to print the Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow has been elected to represent Norwich Diocesan Advisory Committee.

Peal ringers had a very successful Christmas. To date we have received records of 37 peals on Boxing Day and 31 on the Saturday.

Notoriety has come to the College Youths through the medium of one of our national Sunday papers. At St. Paul's, London, they are credited with ringing 3,900 changes in half an hour on Christmas Eve! Five other mistakes appear in the report; it is possible that Mr. Richard Deal will be chaffed for his prowess. Why should so many mistakes be recorded for the benefit of an uninitiated public?

Ringer, chorister and sexton at Simpson, Bucks, for 55 years, Mr. H. Turner was complimented on his 70th birthday by 1,260 Grandsire Doubles. Ringers: G. Guest 1, H. Giles 2, J. H. Brooks 3, F. Hanks 4, C. W. Smith (conductor) 5, H. Turner 6.

An interesting 50 peals in 1947 has Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd. They include the extent of Stedman from Doubles to Cinques on handbells and the extent of Cambridge from Minor to Maximus in the tower. It also includes two tower-bell peals in a day, two handbell peals in a day and a tower and handbell peal in a day.

Mr. Harold A. May rang fifty peals in 1947. His 50th of Stedman was scored on December 11th. Have any of our under 21-years-old ringers a half-century of Stedman to their credit?

Also to ring 50 peals in the year is Mr. Philip A. Corby.

Some very promising youngsters recently took part in a peal of Stedman Caters at Fulham. They are the brothers Chilcott, Michael, aged 13, and John, aged 16. They have been trained by Mr. Horace Belcher. Also taking part were Gordon Allsop and John Stephenson, both aged 18, who have been trained by Mr. H. M. Page. They all rang their bells well and were complimented by Mr. H. Langdon on their performance. Nice work, boys. Keep it up!

Golden Wedding Congratulations

TO MR. AND MRS. W. WOLSTENCROFT.

The good wishes of their friends in all parts of the country will be extended to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wolstencroft on January 12th, when they celebrate their golden wedding. They now live with their son-in-law and only daughter, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Hawkins, at Stoke Poges, Bucks.

It was in the early '90's that Mr. Wolstencroft took up ringing, and for over 50 years he was leader and conductor at St. Peter's Church, Ashton-under-Lyne.

For a number of years he was secretary to the Manchester Branch of the Lancashire Association and chairman of the Bowdon and Stockport Branch of the Chester Diocesan Guild.

Mr. and Mrs. Wolstencroft rang together in a peal to celebrate their silver wedding. Mrs. Wolstencroft took part in nine peals between the two Great Wars. At the 1918 Armistice she rang in the only complete band of lady ringers to ring on Armistice Day. She also rang on VJ-Day when she was aged 74. Unfortunately, illness now prevents her from taking an active part in ringing. She was chairman of the Northern Branch of the Ladies' Guild until 1945, relinquishing the office owing to illness.



MR. AND MRS. WALTER WOLSTENCROFT.

Warsop's Bells

DEDICATION OF A NEW SIX.

Saturday, December 13th, 1947, was undoubtedly a red-letter day for many of the parishioners of SS. Peter and Paul's, Warsop, if the number of non-ringers at the dedication service was any criterion, for the church was packed to capacity before service time.

The old four were of mixed origin, the dates being 1615, 1737, 1747 and 1812. Three of these were recast by Taylor in 1913, and now the addition of two tenors by the same firm has put Warsop in possession of a first-class six with a tenor 14¼ cwt. in F.

The fifth was the result of a bequest by the late Mr. F. Rolling, a one time sexton of Warsop, and the tenor was subscribed for by the parishioners as a war memorial to the fallen of the parish.

The dedication was performed by the Bishop of Southwell, who, although not actually a ringer, is greatly interested in ringing, and loses no opportunity in his position as Guild president to stress the importance of concerted assistance to outlying towers.

A few rounds were rung after the prayers under the tower, and at the conclusion of the service a well-struck 720 of Kent Treble Bob by H. Kent 1, F. Flint 2, S. Slaney 3, C. Wright 4, T. Groombridge, jun. 5, and H. T. Rooke (conductor) 6, concluded the first part of the proceedings. Ringers of 1, 3 and 4 were from Bolsover, 5 from Nottingham, 2 and 6 of the local company.

Tea in the Parish Hall was the next item where some 60 parishioners and church workers were joined by the Bishop and about 40 ringers, with Mr. Paul Taylor representing the founders.

The Rector (the Rev. R. G. Cornwell) in a short speech mentioned the pride of Warsop people in their new bells and congratulated the founders on their product. Mr. Paul Taylor replied.—It was pleasing to note that the Rev. P. H. F. Sturdy, one of the curates, and Churchwarden Mr. F. Blackburn were among those who stood in for rounds during the evening.

On the following evening, December 14th, for evening service, a 720 Bob Minor was rung by five of the local band and a visitor, the first 720 by three of the band. To sum up, Warsop people are to be congratulated on acquiring a first-class ring of six, and certainly the local captain, Mr. H. J. Rooke, is to be commended for his efforts in keeping a company together and interested to this extent in an erstwhile four-bell tower, ready to reach out and embrace six-bell ringing. T.G.

BELLS FOR AMERICAN WEDDING

The bells of Wickhambreaux Church, Kent, were rung at 4.20 p.m. on December 27th to coincide with a wedding at Bridgewater, Mass.

The occasion was the marriage of Miss Peggy Laker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Fitzroy Laker, of Bridgewater, Mass., formerly of Wickhambreaux, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Smith, of Grove Road, Wickhambreaux, to Mr. John M. Beattie, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Milton Beattie, of South Street, Bridgewater Mass.

The bride's father was formerly a member of the Wickhambreaux company of change ringers. Mr. Harrison Smith, although now over 80 years old, took part in the wedding ring

OBITUARY

MR. FRANK LAWTON.

The death of Mr. Frank Lawton in hospital after a few weeks' illness is a grievous loss to the ringers of Moorside Church, Oldham. He was 64 and had been a ringer at Moorside for about 45 years.

Mr. Lawton had rung about 100 peals, one being the record for the bells of 10,000 odd Kent Treble Bob Major. He was the only ringer at Moorside who had his name on peal tablets for Plain Bob, Grandsire, Kent and Stedman, rung between 1905-1939.

Full of enthusiasm, he started to learn Double Norwich with the rest of the band about two years ago, and later Cambridge. Mr. Lawton was a perfect ringer and striker and gave that steadying influence to the band. He was always present and punctual and attended the services he rang for, both morning and night. Up to his death he was a sidesman and also the Sunday School superintendent for many years. From this source he was instrumental in building the present band.

The funeral service was on December 29th close to the church and bells he loved. Four of his fellow-ringers acted as pall bearers, and as the cortege approached the muffled bells were rung full pull and stand. A course of Grandsire Triples was rung over the open grave: I. Kay 1-2, H. Barlow 3-4, V. Sykes 5-6, F. Dunkerley 7-8. Immediately after the funeral a fully muffled peal of Double Norwich was accomplished in three hours. I.K.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN.

SOUTH AND WEST DISTRICT.

A very successful meeting was held at Twickenham on December 20th, and was attended by about 40 members and friends from Bedford (St. Paul's), Bushey Heath, Chislehurst, Clewer, Ealing (St. Mary's and St. Stephen's), Guildford, Hempstead, Gloucester, Hersham, Heston, Hounslow, Isleworth, Kew Gardens, Leicester Cathedral, Osterley, Richmond, Romford, Ruislip, Streatham (St. Leonard's), and Twickenham.

The bells were raised about 3 p.m. and were kept going at intervals till about 8.30 p.m. Methods rung under the supervision of Mr. F. A. Finch (Ringing Master) included Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob and Double Norwich and Cambridge and London Surprise Major—with rounds for learners.

A short service was conducted by the Vicar and president of the Association (Preb. W. P. Cole Sheane, M.A.), assisted by the Rev. H. J. Cooke. Tea in the Church Hall was kindly provided by the president and local company, and this was followed by a short business meeting, presided over by the president.

The following elections were made: Mr. R. J. Carlton, SS. Mark and John's College, Chelsea (confirmation); Mr. C. A. Portsmouth, Harlington, Mr. W. J. Ellis, Streatham (re-election); and the following members of the local company: The Rev. H. J. Cooke, Messrs. B. Lillyman and D. Lovell and Mrs. J. Turner (late Miss J. Stapleton), re-elected. It was decided to hold the next monthly meeting on January 17th, if possible at Feltham, alternatively at Ruislip, and the annual branch meeting at Heston on February 21st.

The Ringing Master proposed a warm vote of thanks to the president for all his kindness and to the local company, especially Mr. and Mrs. Lovell for providing the tea, and to the organist. Those present were also glad to have an opportunity of ringing with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Poole (Leicester), who paid a flying visit, and Miss Betty Snice (Bedford); also to welcome back Mr. J. Herbert after his illness, though not yet able to ring; to meet Mr. H. J. Eldred, of Gorleston, who has come to reside in the district, and to welcome the return to Twickenham of the local captain, Mr. E. A. Morris, after service with the Forces. The Ringing Master also referred to his friend and 'legal adviser,' Mr. Frank Smallwood, who had a few words to say, in his usual racy manner, and was listened to with appreciation.

Christmas Quiz

'Kewsett's' answers to the Christmas Quiz are as follows:—

(1) Chichester; St. David's.
(2) Grandsire Doubles. Call bob at 2.
(3) None.
(4) 36 bells.
(5) Manchester Town Hall.
(6) Beaumaris, Anglesey.
(7) It did not. There are eight bells at Westminster Abbey, and so the peal must have been rung on handbells, as no method below Caters admits of a peal of 5,001.
(8) Noel only.
(9) 279,999,720.
(10) In order starting from treble: William, Henry, Mary, Sue, Walter, Eric, John, Bertram.

No competitor answered all the questions correctly. Those adjudicated nearest to whom book prizes have been sent are:—

E. E. Speake,
56, Ranelagh Road,
Blakenhall,
Wolverhampton.

Walter W. Wolstencroft,
1, Cherry Orchard Close,
Stoke Poges,
Near Slough, Bucks.

Harold V. Frost,
43, Leyland Avenue,
St. Albans, Herts.

THE CROSSWORD.

The solution to the Crossword is as follows: ACROSS: Beccles, words, lures, ring out, stirred, oasis, baffle, ask why, inked, audited, talkers, rooms, lasts, dreaded. DOWN: Bells, Cardiff, Bristol, kills, loser, ladders, stride, passed, windows, dirge, roots, Watford, satisfy, dosed.

The first correct solution was received from

John H. Hunt,
44, Bellfield,
Titchfield, Hants.

SURREY ASSOCIATION

NORTH-WESTERN DISTRICT.

A meeting was held on November 29th at St. Stephen's, Clapham Park. Ringing commenced with 120 Grandsire Doubles to greet a wedding couple just leaving the church. A short service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. C. Carter.

At the meeting Mr. Collins mentioned the death of Mr. C. Pothecary, and the members stood in silence. Nominations were received for district officers as follows: Master, F. Collins; secretary, R. Lathbury; treasurer, H. N. Pitstow; auditor, C. Dean; committee, Messrs. R. Davies, W. Massey, D. Parsons.

Some excellent ringing, in which a few local ringers participated, continued till 8.30 p.m.

GOLDEN WEDDING PEALS

Peals in honour of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Melville are recorded in this issue. That at Guildford, where their silver wedding peal was rung, was also for the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. H. Randall, of Eastleigh, grandparents of Mr. H. A. May. There was also a peal of Kent Treble Bob at Southampton and the following quarters:—

WONSTON.—On Dec. 11th, 720 Double Oxford Bob Minor: Mrs. W. R. Melville 1, Miss N. Smith 2, L. Tremeer 3, W. R. Melville 4, R. Smith 5, C. H. Kippin (conductor) 6.

SOUTHAMPTON.—At St. Michael's on Dec. 14th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: M. Butler (first of Stedman) 1, J. Hope 2, C. H. Kippin 3, Mrs. C. H. Kippin 4, J. Faithfull 5, W. R. Melville 6, Rev. K. W. H. Felstead (first quarter as conductor) 7, G. Shearing 8.

Mr. E. Morris scored another success at Overseal on Tuesday, December 2nd, when he conducted A. J. Corrigan's (Bristol) six-part of Grandsire Triples. This composition is now rung for the first time. It is 27 years since the 2nd ringer (H. Carter) rang his last peal.

QUARTER PEALS

BRAFIELD, NORTHANTS.—1,260 Stedman Doubles: C. Longland 1, G. Care 2, S. Ruddlesden 3, N. Chaddock 4, P. Jones (cond.) 5. First quarter in method for 1, 3 and 4.

BURFORD, OXON.—On Dec. 21st, 1,316 St. Clement's Bob Triples: J. G. Collett 1, F. Soden 2, T. H. J. Prince 3, F. W. Soden 4, B. S Nichols (composer and cond.) 5, T. W. Timms 6, W. J. Dixon 7, G. R. Miles 8. First in method by all the band.

CHEDDAR, SOMERSET. — On Dec. 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Richardson 1, E. Wickham 2, W. Sargent 3, H. Fountain 4, E. Fisher (cond.) 5, J. Filer 6, E. D. Binning 7, A. Hill 8. 7.6.8 behind.

COUNTESTHORPE, LEICS.—On Dec. 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: L. E. Chapman 1, W. Kilby 2, B. Hubbard 3, J. Morris 4, N. Moyes (first as cond.) 5, W. Wilson 6. First quarter in the method by the band.

CHELMSFORD, ESSEX. — At St. Mary's, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: H. Allen 1, A. Hume 2, H. Devenish (cond.) 3, Miss A. White 4, R. C. Thrift 5, E. Runter 6, E. Clark 7, H. Bradley 8. First quarter-peal on the bells with the 13th bell included.

DERBY.—On Dec. 11th, 1,248 Bob Major: A. E. Thompson 1, F. R. Lowe 2, C. Walklate 3, George Freebrey (cond.) 4, S. Walklate 5, H. Letts 6, H. K. Waterfield 7, B. Dudley 8. First quarter by 1, 3 and 7.

DOUGLAS-IN-PARBOLD, LANCS.—On Dec. 14th, 1,280 Bob Major: C. Rigby 1, Miss M. E. Ridyard 2, H. Leyland 3, W. Rimmer 4, N. Rigby 5, T. Marshall 6, R. Kenrick 7, J. Ridyard (cond.) 8. In memoriam Luke Pye, a member of the local band.

HENSTRIDGE, SOMERSET.—On Dec. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: H. Doel 1, R. Higgins 2, J. Chilcott 3, J. Hannam 4, P. Sparks (cond.) 5, K. Humphries 6. First quarter for 1, 2 and 4.

HONITON CLYST, DEVON.—On Dec. 14th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: R. Sandford 1, E. E. Retter 2, Miss E. Lomas 3, Miss Q. Pring 4, W. D. Ashdown 5, J. Salway 6, G. E. Retter (cond.) 7, A. Holway 8. First in the method by all.

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE. — On Dec. 14th, quarter-peal Stedman Caters: W. Gayes 1, A. Challinor 2, A. Potts 3, June Henshaw (first quarter) 4, S. Hough 5, A. V. Rees 6, J. Worth (cond.) 7, G. Farrer 8, E. Seed 9, H. Wood 10.

MANGOTSFIELD, GLOS. — On Dec. 13th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: F. Skidmore 1, Miss M. Hilliar 2, C. R. Harding 3, V. E. Wills 4, R. G. Bryant 5, S. Riches 6, J. W. Smith (first quarter in method as cond.) 7, A. Hilliar 8.

MOSSLEY, LANCS. — On Dec. 14th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: R. Taylor (cond.) 1, H. Taylor 2, E. Garside 3, H. Pickles 4, F. Welham 5, R. Walker 6, J. Clayton 7, J. Burgess 8.

PELSALL, STAFFS.—On Nov. 20th, for the Royal Wedding, 2,520 Grandsire Doubles: N. Rowley (first half-peal) 1, H. Claridge 2, G. Cooper 3, P. G. Golder 4, J. Gregory (cond.) 5, W. Rowley 6.

PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX.—1,320 Kent Treble Bob Royal on Dec. 7th: W. S. May 1, D. Coombes 2, G. Frost 3, S. Croucher 4, W. Perry 5, E. Rapley 6, F. C. May 7, P. Sadler 8, F. B. Lufkin 9, F. Gant (cond.) 10. Longest length 2, 4 and 8.

SPALDING, LINCS. — On Dec. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Bennett 1, S. E. Bennett 2, R. Smith 3, C. Wander 4, G. W. Mills 5, W. Hollingworth 6, J. G. Ames (cond.) 7, Miss D. Lawson 8.

STURRY, KENT. — On Dec. 6th, 3,600 of Cambridge, Kent and Oxford and Plain Bob Minor: H. R. French 1, Miss B. Phillpott 2, C. E. Buesden 3, T. G. Holmes (longest length) 4, G. R. French 5, B. J. Luck (cond.) 6.

WIDFORD, HERTS.—On Dec. 10th, 1,440 Bob Doubles: W. Devoil 1, J. Suckling 2, C. Ladley 3, L. Ladley 4, Dr. D. Hollis (cond.) 5, A. Carter 6. First quarter for 3 and 6.

NOTICES

GOLDEN WEDDING

WOLSTENCROFT—HALL. — On Jan. 12th, 1898, at St. Peter's Church, Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancs, Ada Hall to Walter Wallace Wolstencroft. Present address 1, Cherry Orchard Close, Stoke Poges, Bucks. 2886

DEATH

CHAPMAN.—On Dec. 25th, 1947, at 1, Broadway, Kettering, James Edward, loved husband of Elizabeth Chapman, aged 72 years.

MISCELLANEOUS

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PUBLICATIONS

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MEETINGS

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Maidstone District. — Linton (8), Sat., Jan. 10th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names to Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher, Kimmeridge, Ditton, Kent. 2823

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Banbury Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Deddington, Sat., Jan. 10th. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4. Tea 4.45. Please notify.—E. Pearson, Adderbury West, Banbury. 2819

NORWICH ASSOCIATION.—North Norfolk Branch. — Annual meeting will be held at Marsham on Saturday, Jan. 10th. Bells (8) from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. in Reading Room at 2s. per head. 2838

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern District. —Annual meeting at Bocking, Jan. 10th. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting afterwards.—H. A. Pratt, District Secretary. 2846

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. Division.— Annual meeting, Brentwood (8), Saturday, Jan. 10th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea to follow. —J. H. Crampion, 7, Cedar Avenue, Chadwell Heath. 2845

SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Annual meeting, Jan. 10th. Bells 2. Service 5. Meeting 6. Dinner 7 (dinner for ticketholders only). —T. H. Foster. 2911

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. — Lincoln District.—Annual meeting, Washingborough, Saturday, Jan. 10th. Bells available 2.30. Service 4.—John Freeman, Hon. Sec., 95, Sincil Bank, Lincoln. 2844

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Saturday, Jan. 10th, St. Stephen's (8), Rochester Row, Westminster, 2.30 to 4.30. St. Margaret's (10), 5.45 to 7.15. Business, St. Stephen's Vestry, 7.45.—H. W. Rogers, Sec. 2879

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.—Uckfield (8), Jan. 10th, 3. Tea 5. Will members of committee attend if possible?—C. A. Bassett. 2850

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Frome Branch. — Annual meeting, Saturday, Jan. 10th, Frome. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. 2848

CHESTER GUILD.—Macclesfield Branch.— Annual meeting, St. Michael's, Macclesfield (12), Jan. 10th, 3 p.m. Own tea arrangements. —C. W. Lawton, Hon. Sec. 2869

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech District.— Annual, Terrington St. John (6), Saturday, Jan. 17th. Service 4.30. Tea 5 (please bring food).—W. Buckenham, Marham, King's Lynn. 2913

MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD. — Next meeting, Winshill (6), Jan. 17th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Names for tea, 5, to J. W. Cotton, Overseal, Burton-on-Trent. 2912

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. — Gainsborough District.—Annual meeting, All Saints', Gainsborough, on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Bells available afternoon and evening. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea for those who send their names to me by previous Tuesday.—George L. A. Lunn, Hon. Sec., Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. 2910

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — The next General Meeting will be held at Wakefield Cathedral on Saturday, Jan. 17th. The new ring of 12 bells, tenor 35 cwt., available from 2.30 p.m. to 4.45 p.m. and after meeting until 9 p.m. Committee meet in Chapter House 3 p.m. Tea (2s. 6d.) served 5 p.m. in Cathedral schools. Applications for tickets by 14th to J. H. Kirby, 99, York Street, Wakefield. General meeting on same premises immediately afterwards.—L. W. G. Morris, General Secretary, 65, Lilycroft Road, Heaton, Bradford. 2839

SOUTHWELL GUILD.—Nottingham Dist.— Annual, St. Mary's (10), Nottingham, Jan. 17th. Bells 2.30. Tea 5 p.m., Milton Cafe. Names to Mr. Jennison, 7, Tettenbury Road, Basford, Nottingham. All welcome. 2849

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—Quarterly meeting at Rainham (8) on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea to Mr. F. Cheal, 49, Ivy Street, Rainham, Kent, not later than Jan. 13th. Ringing at Rochester Cathedral after the meeting. — B. W. May, Hon. District Secretary. 2851

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. — South-West Branch.—Annual meeting, Plymouth Emmanuel, Jan. 17th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Names to T. G. Myers by Jan. 12th. 2790

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Annual meeting. Chertsey, Saturday, Jan. 17th. Bells (8), 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify J. B. Hessey, 11, Queen Street, Chertsey, by 14th latest.— F. E. Hawthorne, Hon. District Sec. 2858

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. — North-Eastern Division.—Annual meeting at Mistley (6) on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Bells 2 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m., followed by business. Names for tea must be sent to me not later than Jan. 12th.—H. J. Millatt, Wood View, Thorington, Colchester. 2860

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. — South-Eastern Division.—The annual meeting will be held at Great Baddow (8) on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Numbers for tea to A. H. Everett, Rose Cottage, Boreham. 2863

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. — Peterborough Branch. — Annual meeting, St. Andrew's, Whittlesey, on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Service 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—W. H. Waldron, Hon. Sec., 137, Scotney Street, Peterborough.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — St. Albans District.—Annual meeting, St. Albans, Saturday, January 17th. St. Michael's (6) 2.30 p.m. Tea at Nell Gwyn Tea Rooms (near church) 4.30 p.m. Business meeting following. Cathedral (12) from 6.30 p.m.—T. J. Southam, Dis. Sec. 2907

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD. —Portsmouth District.—Annual meeting, Alverstoke, Jan. 17th. Usual arrangements. Names by Jan. 10th.—J. H. Hunt, 44, Bellfield, Titchfield, Hants. 2866

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Cathedral on Saturday, Jan. 17th, at 4.30 p.m. —Frank Reynolds, Branch Sec. 2871

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Quarterly meeting, Bedworth, Saturday, Jan. 17th. Tea provided. — Notify C. E. Beamish, 21, Gypsy Lane, Nuneaton. 2908

WORCESTERSHIRE (Northern).—Meeting, Halesowen, Saturday, Jan. 17th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business.—Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., Bowling Green Lane, Stourbridge, Worcs. 2873

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ross District.—Annual meeting, Ross, Jan. 17th, 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.30, Central Cafe. Please notify me by Jan. 14th.—W. T. Poston, Vieulands, Walford Road, Ross-on-Wye. 2882

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Annual meeting, Huntingdon, All Saints' (6), Saturday, Jan. 17th. Bells 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—F. W. Lack, Acting Secretary. 2884

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Syston District.—Annual meeting, Syston, Jan. 17th. Bells 3.30. Tea, Church Hall, 5. Names, please, to Mr. E. Payne, 6, The Green, Syston, by Jan. 13th. 2891

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—Meeting, Stone (6), 3 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 17th. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Notify by Jan. 14th.—M. W. Malpass, Stone, Falfield, Glos. 2890

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. — Crewe Branch. — Crewe (10 bells), annual meeting, Jan. 17th, 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Refreshments. Names by 13th.—Richard D. Langford, 118, Ruskin Road, Crewe. 2889

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Western Division. —Practice meeting, Rogate (6), Jan. 17th, 3 p.m. Tea (names by Jan. 14th).—E. Treagus, 78, Kyoto Court, Bognor Regis. 2887

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Eastern Division.—Annual district meeting, All Saints', Hertford, Saturday, Jan. 17th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Short service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting, including election of officers for 1948. Names for tea not later than Jan. 13th to G. Radley, Dis. Sec., 6, Nursery Road, Turnford, near Hoddesdon, Herts. 2893

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Ilkeston District.—Annual meeting, Sandiacre, Jan. 17th, 2.30. Tea provided. Names to F. Shaw, 38, Inglefield Road, Ilkeston, by Jan. 14th. Subs. for 1948 now due. 2894

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—Annual district meeting at Luton (8), Saturday, Jan. 17th. Bells 3 p.m. Meeting in tower 4.30. Own tea arrangements. — H. C. Hillyard. 2895

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Glaston Deanery.—Annual, Wells, St. Cuthbert's, Saturday, Jan. 17th. Cathedral bells (10) 2 to 4, St. Cuthbert's 3. Service 4. Tea and meeting, Wickendens, after. Notify for tea by Tuesday, 13th.—W. H. Marsh, Dovecotes, Street, Somerset. 2899

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.— Next meeting, Brentford (6), Jan. 17th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. (Collection for Bishop's Fund). Tea and meeting Church Hall after. Names to undersigned by Jan. 15th.— J. E. Lewis Cockey, 1, Listoke, Edgehill Road, W.13. Perivale 5320. 2906

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OXFORD GUILD.—Sonning Deanery Branch.—Annual meeting at Wokingham on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Service in St. Paul's Church, 4 p.m. Tea and meeting in St. Paul's Rooms. No ringing at St. Paul's. All Saints (8) after meeting. Notify for tea by Jan. 14th.—B. C. Castle, The Briars, Westfield Road, Winnersh, Wokingham. 2877

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Annual meeting, Cambridge, Saturday, Jan. 17th. Service, 4.15 p.m., St. Andrew-the-Great. Tea and business, 5 p.m., St. Andrew's Vestry. Bells: St. Andrew-the-Great (8), 2.30 to 4.15 p.m.; St. Benet's (6), 2.30 to 4.15 p.m.; St. Mary-the-Great (12), 6.30 p.m. onwards.—H. L. Martin, Dis. Sec. 2900

HAWKHURST AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Annual meeting, Hawkhurst (8), Jan. 17th, 3 p.m. Names for tea to me not later than Tuesday, 13th.—R. Tappenden, Gun Green, Hawkhurst. 2902

PETERBOROUGH GUILD.—Kettering Branch.—Annual, Kettering (10), Jan. 17th, 2.45. Names for tea.—G. Watson, 31, Church Street, Burton Latimer, Kettering. 2905

ST. MICHAEL'S, ALDERSHOT.—New Year's party in aid of Bells Restoration Fund, Saturday, Jan. 24th. Tickets (2s.) from Miss E. Stewart, 30, Church Hill, Aldershot. Donations also gratefully received. 2898

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—Quarterly meeting, Deal, Saturday, Jan. 24th. Bells from 2.45. Service 4.15, followed by tea and business. Names for tea must reach Mr. H. Ansell, 31, St. Leonards Road, Deal, not later than Wednesday, Jan. 21st.—B. J. Luck, Hon. Sec. 2909

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—Meeting at Bilston, Saturday, Jan. 24th. Bells at 3 p.m.—H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton. 2901

HEREFORD GUILD.—Bromyard District.—Annual meeting, Bromyard, Saturday, Jan. 24th. Bells (6) 3 o'clock. Tea and meeting 4. Service 5. Tea provided for those who let me know by Tuesday morning, Jan. 20th.—A. S. Tomkins, Post Office, Bredenbury, Hereford.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cary Deanery.—Annual meeting, Wincanton (8), Jan. 24th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Please notify for tea by Jan. 20th.—H. C. Linton, Alhampton, Ditcheat. 2892

DEVON GUILD.—Aylesbeare Branch.—Annual meeting, Littleham, Exmouth, Jan. 24th. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Jan. 19th to B. Pidgeon, East Budleigh. 2885

SOUTHWELL GUILD.—Newark Branch.—Annual meeting, Sutton-on-Trent (8), Jan. 24th, 2.30. Tea for those who notify Miss Burchnall, Station Road, Sutton-on-Trent, by 20th.—J. W. Raithby, District Secretary. 2887

PETERBOROUGH GUILD.—Wellingborough Branch.—Annual branch meeting, Irthlingborough (8) on Jan. 24th. Service 4. Names for tea early to A. Bigley, 30, Allen Road, Irthlingborough. 2880

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.W. District.—Annual meeting at Harlow Town (8), Saturday, Jan. 24th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Names for tea by Jan. 21st, please, to G. Blake, Hon. Sec., 96, Burford Street, Hoddesdon, Herts. 2896

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—North-Western District.—Annual meeting at Croydon on Saturday, Jan. 31st. St. Peter's bells (10) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Nominations for district officers by Jan. 17th. Subscriptions due 1948. Names for tea by Jan. 24th to R. Lathbury, Hon. Dis. Sec., 15, Russell Road, Walton-on-Thames. 2883

METROPOLITAN POLICE GUILD.—Ringing has recommenced at St. George's, Southwark. Fridays, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sundays, 5.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—J. G. A. Prior, Hon. Sec., 21a, Fieldhouse Road, S.W.12. 2865

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