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MORE ABOUT THE GROUP THEORY

DOCTOR JOHN E. SPICE'S article on a Mathematical Theory of Change Ringing has created interest. Squadron Leader A. York Bramble suggests that the application of Group Theory to problems in change ringing is very timely. 'There have been,' he writes, 'frequent "mathematical" considerations of it; but hardly anyone, apart from the late W. H. Thompson, had hitherto set out any specific treatment of the subject in truly mathematical or "scientific" fashion. Only a week previously we read a note by one claiming originality in, and by inference, I think, mathematical (or scientific) consideration of, some aspects of the theory of change ringing; but these claims can hardly be substantiated.'

Mr. Brian D. Price, while welcoming Dr. Rankin's work with enthusiasm, writes that it would be a mistake to think that it is the first thorough approach to Group theory in change ringing that has been made. Rather it is that such advances have not been made public simply because there has not been a demand for such knowledge among ringers.

His letter continues: 'After a study of W. H. Thompson's papers, it is clear to me that he knew much more of Group Theory than Dr. Spice's article would suggest. The so-called Thompson Papers in "Grandsire" are not the originals, but rather a much-simplified extract of them from the point of view of the practical composer. Last year I made efforts through his relations and associates to find any remaining papers and to preserve his unpublished works (he died in 1934 at Brighton). The Central Council ought to have these in its library. Where are the genuine Thompson Papers?

'There are three good reasons for knowing that Thompson was conversant with Group Theory. Firstly, he used the dodecahedron for plotting the lead-ends of Grandsire Triples. This in itself has a very deep connection with Groups. Secondly, he almost completely explored part composition of peals of Grandsire Triples (I have found only one plan that he missed). This involves an exploration of sub-groups among the lead-ends. Thirdly, from his handling of Q-sets, not only in the well-known case of the extent of Grandsire Triples, but also in the part-diagrams of his, and in using various singles and other calls, it is clear that he knew the general law of Q-sets.

'In 1944 I proved the general law of Q-sets as follows: "When an odd-membered Q-set is altered in calling it does not alter the oddness or evenness of the total number of round blocks." Similarly, substituting "even-membered" and "does alter." This law is only operative for one-way traffic through the Q-set. For instance, one can compose the extent of Original Minor with bobs only. This may be what Dr. Rankin has proved. I am convinced that W. H. Thompson had proved it too.

'Another law I proved, which W. H. Thompson must have known, is as follows: "It is necessary and sufficient for the part-ends of a composition in similar parts to form a sub-group." There is a definite technique in part-composition utilising Groups with which composers such as John Carter, Law James, J. W. Parker must have been familiar, although they may not have known the term "Group." John Carter could not have composed his odd-bob peals of Stedman Triples by trial and error.

'It is my humble opinion that processes such as splicing Surprise methods, or composing the extent of Bristol Surprise with the tenors together, can never be done by any other than "ad hoc" methods.'

TWELVE BELL PEAL

BUCKFAST, DEVON.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, *in* 4 *Hours and* 5 *Minutes,*
AT THE BENEDICTINE ABBEY OF ST MARY,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;
Tenor 41¼ cwt. in C.

J. FRANK SMALLWOOD	*Treble*	DANIEL D. COOPER	7
JOHN THOMAS	2	THOMAS G. MYERS	8
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY	3	JOHN PHILLIPS	9
G. STEDMAN MORRIS	4	A. WILLIAM MYERS	10
FREDK. W. HOUSDEN	5	GEORGE E. FEARN	11
CHARLES W. ROBERTS	6	FREDK. E. COLLINS	*Tenor*

Composed and Conducted by CHARLES W. ROBERTS.

TEN BELL PEALS

PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Apr. 3, 1948, *in* 3 *Hours and* 20 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF PRITTLEWELL SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 18½ cwt.

MRS. P. A. CORBY	*Treble*	ALAN WHITE	6
ARTHUR S. RICHARDS	2	FREDERICK J. CULLUM	7
*LEONARD H. BOWLER	3	FRANK B. LUFKIN	8
GEOFFREY V. MURPHY	4	CHARLES W. ROBERTS	9
ERIC A. DENCH	5	PHILIP A. CORBY	*Tenor*

Conducted by PHILIP A. CORBY.
* First peal of Surprise Royal. The first peal in the method. A wedding compliment to Mr. C. W. Woolley and Miss M. D. Telford and to Mr. K. S. B. Croft and Miss M. M. Lyon.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.
LONDON COUNTY ASSN. & N. SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 3, 1948, *in* 3 *Hours and* 13 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;
Tenor 16½ cwt. in E.

*MISS AUDREY M. CASTLE	*Treble*	§ALAN F. THIRST	6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER	2	‡SQUIRE CROFT	7
MRS. OLIVE L. ROGERS	3	CHARLES W. OTTLEY	8
†MRS. K. F. J. PARR	4	HAROLD W. ROGERS	9
‡N. G. HOLLINGWORTH	5	JAMES BULLOCK	*Tenor*

Composed by YORK GREEN. Conducted by HAROLD W. ROGERS.
* First peal on ten bells. † First in the method 'inside.' ‡ First of Kent Treble Bob Royal. § 50th peal.

WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Tues., April 6, 1948, *in* 3 *Hours and* 12 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5067 CHANGES;
Tenor 26½ cwt. in D.

HOWARD HOWELL	*Treble*	ARTHUR T. DUTTON	6
*ALLAN ELLSMORE	2	ARTHUR BOTTERILL	7
RICHARD J. WARRILOW	3	HENRY E. GREEN	8
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER	4	ARTHUR V. PEARSON	9
J. DENNIS HOLDEN	5	AUBREY M. PICKERING	*Tenor*

Composed by JAMES E. GROVES. Conducted by HOWARD HOWELL.
* First peal on ten bells.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, *in* 3 *Hours and* 4 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
No. 3 version. Tenor 18½ cwt. in E flat.

E. JOAN SALMONS	*Treble*	FRANK E. DARBY	6
JESSIE M. KIPPIN	2	THOMAS G. BANNISTER	7
ROYDON DAVIES	3	TONY PRICE	8
*THOMAS H. FRANCIS	4	*ERNEST F. SALMONS	9
JOHN F. GALYER	5	CHARLES H. KIPPIN	*Tenor*

Composed by F. E. DARBY. Conducted by CHARLES H. KIPPIN.
* First peal of London Surprise Royal.

NOTTINGHAM.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, *in* 3 *Hours and* 11 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5023 CHANGES;
Tenor 35 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in C sharp.

MRS. J. COTTERELL	*Treble*	GEORGE W. CREASEY	6
*MRS. J. E. TURLEY	2	SIDNEY BRIGGS	7
HAROLD PAILING	3	JOSEPH A. FENTON	8
CLEMENT GLENN	4	FREDK. A. SALTER	9
WILLIAM G. THORPE	5	WALTER NICHOLS	*Tenor*

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.
* First peal in the method.

HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, *in* 3 *Hours and* 40 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 30½ cwt.

RALPH COLES	*Treble*	*MISS M. I. GOODSHIP	6
FRED HAYES	2	GILBERT R. GOODSHIP	7
*MISS DOREEN COKER	3	ROLAND BIGGS	8
*MISS SYLVIA COKER	4	WALTER LEE	9
†GEORGE MARTIN	5	F. DONALD BOREHAM	*Tenor*

Composed by J. W. MOORHOUSE. Conducted by FRED HAYES.
* First peal of Royal. † 600th peal.

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, *in* 2 *Hours and* 58 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 13½ cwt.

JOHN E. S. MORETON	*Treble*	†DOROTHY E. BEAMISH	6
*WALTER P. WHITEHEAD	2	†ARTHUR H. BEAMISH	7
FRANK W. PERRENS	3	*PAUL K. WILLIAMSON	8
ALBERT WALKER	4	*THOMAS W. SHEPPARD	9
FRANK E. PERVIN	5	LEONARD TREVOR	*Tenor*

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by FRANK E. PERVIN.
* First peal of Yorkshire Royal. † First peal in the method. First peal of Yorkshire Royal as conductor, on the bells and for the Guild.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

SHERBORNE, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Apr. 3, 1948, *in* 3 *Hours and* 42 *Minutes,*
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Pitstow's Transposition. Tenor 46 cwt. 6 qr. in B flat.

ALFRED H. PULLING	*Treble*	T. MARK WHITE	5
WILLIAM J. ROBINSON	2	HERBERT G. ANDREWS	6
JOHN H. HUNT	3	ROGER O. FRY	7
HAROLD A. MAY	4	A. PATRICK CANNON	*Tenor*

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.
In honour of the weddings of C. K. Lewis and Mary Elkins and Kenneth S. B. Croft and Madeline M .Lyon. Also a birthday compliment to Mrs. M. Pope.

GREAT WALTHAM, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Apr. 3, 1948, *in* 3 *Hours and* 18 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND LAWRENCE,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 26½ cwt.

HORACE J. MANSFIELD	*Treble*	†OWEN J. ROGERS	5
*DAVID A. ROGERS	2	‡HUMPHREY W. GARDNER	6
†PETER CHILDS	3	LEONARD DAY	7
ARTHUR EDWARDS	4	ARTHUR H. EVERETT	*Tenor*

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD (C.C.C. 115).
Conducted by HORACE J. MANSFIELD.
* First peal. † First peal 'inside.' ‡ First of Major on tower bells.

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NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Apr. 3, 1948, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

WILLIAM FERNLEY	*Treble*	*ERIC SIMPSON	5
*MISS JUNE HENSHAW	2	ARTHUR HIBBERT	6
WILFRED STEVENSON	3	JAMES A. MILNER	7
JAMES FERNLEY	4	JOSEPH WITTAKER	*Tenor*

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by JAMES FERNLEY.
* First peal of Treble Bob Major. In honour of the wedding of C. K. Lewis and Mary Elkins. Tenor 14¾ cwt.

BOWDON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 3, 1948, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

ALAN J. BROWN	*Treble*	TOM WILDE	5
MRS. C. W. LAWTON	2	*SYDNEY HOUGH, JUN.	6
CHARLES W. LAWTON	3	JOHN WORTH	7
ALAN A. POTTS	4	PETER LAFLIN	*Tenor*

Composed by J. WASHBROOK. Conducted by JOHN WORTH.
* First peal in the method. A wedding compliment to C. K. Lewis and Mary Elkins. Tenor 15 cwt.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF SOUTHCATE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

GEORGE W. HOWLETT	*Treble*	*NOLAN GOLDEN	5
JACK KING	2	GEORGE SAYER	6
*ERIC G. BENNETT	3	ERNEST WHITING	7
ARTHUR G. BASON	4	HENRY TOOKE	*Tenor*

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.
* 100th peal together. The first peal in the method. Was rung as Superlative Surprise, Rochester Variation, at Southgate, Middlesex, in 1907. Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

STAINES, MIDDLESEX.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 3, 1948, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 18 cwt.

PHYLLIS M. MAYNE	*Treble*	G. WILLIAM MORRIS	5
JOHN R. MAYNE	2	CECIL C. MAYNE	6
WALTER SPARROW	3	RICHARD E. PRICE	7
WILLIAM WELLING	4	TONY PRICE	*Tenor*

Composed by J. HUNT. Conducted by TONY PRICE.
First peal in the method as conductor.

LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 3, 1948, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Six-part. Rung on the light eight. Tenor 17 cwt. 4 lb. in F.

*GORDON BENFIELD	*Treble*	JOHN HOGG	5
RONALD H. DOVE	2	ERNEST H. RAYNER	6
FREDK. SEAGER	3	LEONARD DRAKE	7
*ARNOLD COLE	4	FRANK GIBBARD	*Tenor*

Conducted by LEONARD DRAKE.
* First peal of Grandsire. First peal of Grandsire Triples in the tower since 1795.

RUISLIP, MIDDLESEX.
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Sat., April 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

THOMAS BEVAN	*Treble*	ARTHUR W. J. BUTLER	5
FRANK BLONDELL	2	P. M. J. GRAY	6
WILLIAM PICTHALL	3	THOMAS COLLINS	7
WILLIAM BUNCE	4	HERBERT W. IMPEY	*Tenor*

Composed by FRANK BENNETT. Conducted by THOMAS COLLINS.
First peal as conductor. Tenor 12¾ cwt.

ENDERBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb.

WALTER P. WHITEHEAD	*Treble*	JOSEPH A. FENTON	5
JOHN E. S. MORETON	2	JAMES F. CLARKE	6
ALAN CATTELL	3	ERNEST MORRIS	7
LESLIE RIVERS	4	JOHN THOMPSON	*Tenor*

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by WALTER P. WHITEHEAD.

LYE, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 3, 1948, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-part (7th observation). Tenor 3½ cwt.

HAROLD V. COOPER	*Treble*	GEOFFREY WESTWOOD	5
REGINALD CHANCE	2	†JOAN SALMONS	6
JOHN BASS	3	ERNEST F. SALMONS	7
*DEREK WOOLDRIDGE	4	JOSEPH WARR	*Tenor*

Conducted by ERNEST F. SALMONS.
* First peal. † First lady to ring a peal on the bells.

LINCOLN.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., April 5, 1948, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

*MISS JEAN METHAM	*Treble*	*ARTHUR T. LOWMAN	5
*MISS BETTY BROWN	2	*CYRIL WARD	6
CHARLES MCGUINESS	3	JACK L. MILLHOUSE	7
*CHARLES E. BROWN	4	KENNETH W. MAYER	*Tenor*

Composed by GEO. H. CROSS. Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.
* First peal of Double Norwich. A wedding compliment to Kenneth S. B. Croft and Madeline M. Lyon. Tenor 18 cwt. 2 lb. in E.

HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Mon., April 5, 1948, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 19¾ cwt.

SYLVIA R. E. PIPE	*Treble*	GEORGE BENNETT	5
GEORGE W. PIPE	2	WILLIAM J. BUTTON	6
LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN	3	ALBERT E. WHITING	7
GEORGE A. FLEMING	4	LESLIE G. BRETT	*Tenor*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by LESLIE G. BRETT.

GULVAL, CORNWALL.
THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., April 5, 1948, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GULVAL,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Taylor's Six-part, 3rd half-part. Tenor 12¾ cwt.

VICTOR WOODS	*Treble*	ALAN CARVETH	5
HARRY MILES	2	EDDIE SANDERS	6
*MARION LIDGEY	3	VIVYAN WILLIAMS	7
GEOFFREY TAYSOM	4	R. GEORGE CLEMENS	*Tenor*

Conducted by VIVYAN WILLIAMS.
* First peal. First peal of Triples as conductor.

MANCHESTER.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., April 5, 1948, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, MILES PLATTING,
A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

*WILLIAM PYE	*Treble*	†RONALD H. DOVE	5
*MISS R. M. ELKINGTON	2	*JACK CLEGG	6
MISS MARY WALSHAW	3	RICHARD BENSON	7
HAROLD WALKER	4	CLIFFORD A. VESSEY	*Tenor*

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by CLIFFORD A. VESSEY.
* First peal of Little Bob. † 250th peal. A wedding compliment to Miss Mary Elkins and Mr. C. Kenneth Lewis. Tenor 12 cwt.

COLWALL, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., April 5, 1948, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;
Tenor 11 cwt.

CHARLES L. SADLER	*Treble*	*JOHN D. ROCK	5
JOAN SALMONS	2	GEOFFREY J. LEWIS	6
*LESLIE EVANS	3	ERNEST F. SALMONS	7
MICHAEL P. MORETON	4	WILFRID F. MORETON	*Tenor*

Composed by J. W. PRITCHARD. Conducted by W. F. MORETON.
* First peal in the method.

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., April 5, 1948, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 13½ cwt.

*DEREK J. GIBBONS	*Treble*	MRS. D. E. BEAMISH	5
†MISS MARGARET BEAMISH	2	JOHN GIBBONS	6
MISS M. V. GODDERIDGE	3	J. W. FRANK TROTMAN	7
ARTHUR H. BEAMISH	4	JOHN THOMPSON	*Tenor*

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by A. H. BEAMISH.
* First peal, age 13. † First peal in the method.

GILMORTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE GUILD OF CLERICAL RINGERS.
On Thurs., April 8, 1948, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 12¼ cwt.

REV. C. CAREW COX	*Treble*	REV. E. G. BENSON	5
REV. J. H. B. ANDREWS	2	REV. C. ELLIOT WIGG	6
CANON R. F. WILKINSON	3	REV. A. G. G. THURLOW	7
REV. K. W. H. FELSTEAD	4	REV. R. D. ST. J. SMITH	*Tenor*

Composed by REV. E. S. POWELL. Conducted by REV. C. C. COX.
In memoriam, Everard Slade Powell.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Thurs., April 8, 1948, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
AT BISHOP RYDER'S CHURCH,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lb.

*MISS E. M. FLETCHER	*Treble*	JOHN PINFOLD	5
†MISS JOAN E. WITHEY	2	ARTHUR D. COOK	6
HENRY H. FEARN	3	H. JAMES TURNER	7
JOHN S. WALTON	4	GEORGE E. FEARN	*Tenor*

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by GEO. E. FEARN.
* First peal on tower bells. † First peal of Major.

PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., April 8, 1948, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 26 cwt.

WILLIAM ROSE	*Treble*	WILLIAM WALDRON	5
HERBERT GOAKES	2	GEORGE BUSH	6
ARTHUR GIBBS	3	GEORGE JEFFS	7
JACK BLUFF	4	NORMAN CHADDOCK	*Tenor*

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by NORMAN CHADDOCK.
First peal of Major on the bells.

BOURNEMOUTH.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, in 3 Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 20¼ cwt.

DANIEL T. MATKIN	*Treble*	ROBERT A. ROUTH	5
MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY	2	*HAROLD ATKINS	6
MRS. G. E. WATSON	3	ARTHUR V. DAVIS	7
GEOFFREY E. WATSON	4	JOHN COLES	*Tenor*

Conducted by ARTHUR V. DAVIS.
* First peal.

CLAYBROOKE, LEICESTERSHIRE
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Middleton's. Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb. in E flat.

WALTER P. WHITEHEAD	*Treble*	JAMES DRAYCOTT	5
MARGARET BEAMISH	2	ALFRED BALLARD	6
*CECIL E. CARR	3	FRANK TROTMAN	7
REV. C. CAREW COX	4	JOHN THOMPSON	*Tenor*

Conducted by WALTER P. WHITEHEAD.
* First peal of Surprise Major.

BURFORD, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 19½ cwt. in E flat.

BERNARD S. NICHOLS	*Treble*	*FREDK. W. SODEN	5
*NORA HONEY	2	*THOMAS W. TIMMS	6
*FRANK SODEN	3	WILLIAM J. DIXON	7
†HARRY P. FLOYD	4	ALAN R. PINK	*Tenor*

Composed by J. CARTER (C.C.C. 98). Conducted by A. R. PINK.
* First peal of Major. † First peal in the method.

CARDINGTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, in 3 Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 21 cwt.

FRANCES A. EDGAR	*Treble*	ALAN WHITE	5
MARGARET L. TUTT	2	H. PETER RAYNOR	6
*DAVID GALLOP	3	REV. C. ELLIOT WIGG	7
BETTY SPICE	4	WILFRID F. MORETON	*Tenor*

Composed by C. H. MIDDLETON. Conducted by W. F. MORETON.
* First peal of Surprise. First peal in the method for the Society.

PONTYPRIDD, GLAMORGAN.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CATHERINE,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

*LESLIE DARCH	*Treble*	JOHN DARCH	5
FREDK. LASBURY	2	WILLIAM L. LAMBERT	6
†JAMES EVANS	3	SYDNEY M. BAILEY	7
JOSEPH LOVETT	4	CHARLES WILLIAMS	*Tenor*

Composed by J. J. PARKER. Conducted by SYDNEY M. BAILEY.
* First peal. † First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. Tenor 12¾ cwt.

THORNE, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 14¼ cwt. in G flat.

J. MARTIN THORLEY	*Treble*	F. ARTHUR STAVELEY	5
ERNEST J. PADGETT	2	ERNEST THORLEY	6
CHARLES THORLEY	3	FRANK LORD	7
JAMES THORLEY	4	THOMAS D. LEASK	*Tenor*

Conducted by FRANK LORD.

CHURCH STRETTON, SHROPSHIRE.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, in 3 Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 11 cwt. 5 lb.

*MISS BESSIE CARTER	*Treble*	EDW. V. RODENHURST	5
JOHN F. BUTLER	2	†FREDK. G. BEDDOW	6
WILLIAM A. FARMER	3	CLIFFORD A. BARON	7
F. HECTOR BENNETT	4	ARTHUR PRITCHARD	*Tenor*

Composed by T. LOCKWOOD. Conducted by ARTHUR PRITCHARD.
* First peal on eight bells. † First peal in the method 'inside.'

DRAYCOTT, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
B. Annable's. Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM PERKINS	*Treble*	ARNOLD G. MOORE	5
EDWARD STEELE	2	†GEOFFREY W. BEECH	6
*MISS M. RIGBY	3	ARTHUR W. HALL	7
WILLIAM P. DEANE	4	CHARLES H. PAGE	*Tenor*

Conducted by CHARLES H. PAGE.
* First peal of Major 'inside.' † First peal of Major.

OLD HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's (7th observation). Tenor 23½ cwt.

*BERT FLETCHER	*Treble*	HARRY WOOD	5
HAROLD J. SHUCK	2	ERIC FLETCHER	6
†ALBERT GRICE	3	JOHN GOODMAN	7
GERALD SWALLOW	4	GEORGE FLETCHER	*Tenor*

Conducted by JOHN GOODMAN.
* First peal. † First peal 'inside.' First peal on the bells since being rehung in iron frames.

GORING-ON-THAMES, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-OF-CANTERBURY,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Middleton's. Tenor 8 cwt. 21 lb.

MRS. A. DISERENS	*Treble*	NOEL J. DISERENS	5
ALBERT DISERENS	2	REGINALD W. REX	6
FREDK. A. H. WILKINS	3	*EDGAR HUMFREY	7
WILLIAM C. PORTER	4	WALTER F. JUDGE	*Tenor*

Conducted by WALTER F. JUDGE.
* First peal of Surprise, aged 78 years.

ST. HELENS, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thomas Brooks' Variation of Thomas Thurstans' Four-part.

THOMAS W. HAMMOND	*Treble*	THOMAS W. HESKETH	5
THOMAS LEE	2	*THOMAS ROGERS	6
THOMAS S. HORRIDGE	3	THOMAS R. BUTLER	7
THOMAS C. LARKEY	4	*THOMAS MARSHALL	*Tenor*

Conducted by THOMAS R. BUTLER.
* First peal in the method. Tenor 9 cwt. 7 lb. in G.

DODDERHILL (DROITWICH), WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, *in* 3 *Hours and* 7 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE,
A PEAL OF SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Comprising 2,560 London, 1,216 Bristol, 640 each of Cambridge and Superlative, with 118 changes of method. Tenor 18¼ cwt.

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

Composed by JAMES TOPP. Conducted by SIDNEY T. HOLT.
* First peal of Spliced Surprise in four methods. First peal of Spliced on the bells.

CHISWICK, MIDDLESEX.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, *in* 2 *Hours and* 42 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thurstans' Four-part Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb.

JOHN E. CHILCOTT	...*Treble*	HORACE BELCHER	5
HERBERT LANGDON ...	2	JAMES BULLOCK	6
WILLIAM H. PASMORE ...	3	ALFRED B. PECK	7
WILLIAM S. LANGDON ...	4	RICHARD F. DEAL ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.
Rung for the wedding of Mr. Owen T. Lewis, third son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Lewis, of Moorcocks, Brasted, Sevenoaks, and Miss Sarah S. U. Macgregor, fourth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Macgregor, of Red Lion House, Chiswick Mall, London, W.4.

YOULGREAVE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, *in* 3 *Hours and* 30 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 26¾ cwt.

F. BERNARD DITCHER...	*Treble*	HAROLD KENT	5
JOHN J. L. GILBERT ...	2	ARTHUR FIRTH	6
*J. EDWARD CAWSER ...	3	ERNEST A. THORPE ...	7
HERBERT O. CHADDOCK	4	*JOHN E. TURLEY ...	...*Tenor*

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by J. EDW. CAWSER.
* 50th peal together. First peal in the method on the bells.
(More peals on page 181)

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS

HOLMER, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., April 2, 1948, *in* 2 *Hours and* 45 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven different extents. Tenor 9 cwt.

CHARLES L. SADLER	...*Treble*	LESLIE EVANS	4
*RALPH C. SPITTLE... ...	2	MICHAEL P. MORETON ...	5
JOHN D. ROCK	3	WILFRID F. MORETON ...	*Tenor*

Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.
* First peal 'inside.'

CARLTON-JUXTA-SNAITH, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 3, 1948, *in* 2 *Hours and* 35 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being one extent of Cambridge Surprise, two extents each of Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Treble Bob and one extent each of St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt.

RONALD F. LUNN ...	...*Treble*	ERNEST J. PADGETT ...	4
JAMES THORLEY	2	W. ERIC CRITCHLEY ...	5
J. MARTIN THORLEY ...	3	CHARLES THORLEY ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by CHARLES THORLEY.
First peal in five methods by all and on the bells.

OLD MARSTON, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., April 5, 1948, *in* 2 *Hours and* 40 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being an extent each of: (1) St. Simon's; (2) St. Martin's; (3) St. Matthew's; (4) St. Mark's; (5) Eynsham; (6) St. Leonard's; (7) Cassington; (8) St. Peter's; (9) London; (10) Union; (11) St. Nicholas'; (12) St. Giles; (13) Winchendon Place; (14) St. Miles'; (15) St. Blaise; (16) Fortune; (17) Reverse St. Bartholomew; (18) Northrepps Pleasure; and two extents each of (19) Stedman; (20) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure; (21) St. Columb; (22) Clifford Pleasure; (23) Southrepps Pleasure; (24) Plain Bob; (25) Kennington; (26) Old; (27) Norfolk; (28) April Day; (29) Grandsire; (30) Antelope. Tenor 6 cwt.

LOTTIE R. PIMM ...	...*Treble*	HARRY P. FLOYD	3
NORA HONEY	2	REV. C. ELLIOT WIGG ...	4

ALAN R. PINK ... ... *Tenor*
Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.
First peal in 30 methods by all the band. This is the greatest number of Doubles methods yet rung to a peal.

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BELFRY GOSSIP

Many old friends will congratulate Mr. George Martin, of Boyne Hill, on scoring his 600th peal, one of Bob Royal at High Wycombe, which appears in the usual place. He is still going strong. Many will remember him as a leading conductor in the Australian and New Zealand tour.

Youlgrave, Derbyshire, is the 50th tower in which Mr. A. Firth has rung a peal.

Congratulations to Mr. Edgar Humfrey, who rang his first peal of Surprise at Goring-on-Thames at the age of 78.

Thorne, Yorkshire, tower was 'circled' on April 10th by J. M. Thorley, C. Thorley, J. Thorley, E. Thorley and T. D. Leask.

The peal of Spliced Surprise Major at Dodderhill, Worcestershire, was a 75th birthday compliment to Mr. John Morris, of the Worcester Cathedral band.

In acknowledging a composition, Mr. Alan R. Pink writes: I think the time is almost ripe for the Central Council to take a bit of notice of five-bell ringing and perhaps define more clearly what is permitted.

Mr. E. Barnett, of Crayford, writes to say that the Foot's Cray bells were not hung 100 years ago. One of his early recollections is of his father being one of the band at what he always understood to be the opening of the bells some 57 or 59 years ago.

Mr. Frank E. Pervin's concluding act in his Mastership of the Coventry Diocesan Guild was a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal at Chilvers Coton. He thanks the local band for their wonderful hospitality after the peal.

The eight bells of Mansfield's ancient Parish Church have recently been removed from the tower to be recast at Loughborough. The weight of the tenor is to be increased from 14 cwt. to 18 cwt. Five of the bells date from the beginning of the 17th century, the oldest bearing the date 1603.

Ringing history was made by the handbell peal in Venezuela, believed to be the first in South America. Mrs. Roland Park, who rang the treble, joined her husband last year and prior to that had never rung a bell. Mr. Bernard Swinson, who has been a lone exile for some time, completed the team. After a little more coaching the company hope to attempt a peal of Minor. Mr. Roland Park has now completed peals from Doubles to Maximus.

This week's circler: Mr. Cyril Ward, St. Giles', Lincoln.

Another Doubles feat from Oxfordshire. Latest total is 30.

The silver wedding of Mr. W. Insley, of the Leighton Buzzard band, was honoured by a quarter-peal of Grandsire on April 3rd.

Two pensioners and six youths composed the Sherborne Abbey band that rang the peal of Stedman Triples on April 3rd. The 'baby' of the party rang the seventh.

The peal at St. Peter's, Bournemouth, specially arranged for Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Watson, was the first to be rung with silencers in Bournemouth.

A reminder to Surprise ringers who have forgotten. Southgate Surprise is Superlative with the whole pull moved from sevenths place to the lead. When first rung in 1907 at Southgate it was described as Superlative Surprise, Rochester Variation.

Mr. Arthur F. Spooner, Prov. Grand Master of the Mitcham District of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, is anxious to arrange for an Oddfellows' band to ring for the special service at Margate Parish Church on Sunday, May 30th, in connection with the annual conference of the Manchester Unity. Would ringers attending the conference communicate with him at 83, Common Field Road, Banstead, Surrey.

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THE CENTRAL COUNCIL AGENDA

The first session of the twentieth Council (51st annual meeting) will be held on Whitsun Tuesday, May 18th, 1948, at Skinners Hall, Dowgate Hill, London, E.C. (by kind permission of the Master, the Rev. Canon Adam Fox, D.D.) at 11 o'clock.

The morning session will be adjourned at 1 o'clock and the afternoon session will commence at 2.15 or as may be decided.

AGENDA.

Report of the Hon. Secretary as to representation of societies and as to subscriptions.

Apologies for absence.

Presentation of new members to the President (Rule 11).

1. Election of President for 1948-1951. Mr. E. H. Lewis retires and is eligible for re-election.
2. Election of Hon. Secretary and Treasurer for 1948-1951. Mr. G. W. Fletcher retires and is no longer a member of the Council (see Rule 7).
3. Election of Hon. Librarian for 1948-1951. Mr. W. H. J. Hooton retires and is eligible for re-election.
4. Election of Hon. Members. The following retire and are eligible for re-election: Mrs. C. C. Marshall, Messrs. C. Dean, G. E. Debenham, T. Groombridge, sen., W. H. J. Hooton, A. A. Hughes, C. F. Johnston, E. H. Lewis, the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Shaftesbury, Messrs. F. Sharpe, J. F. Smallwood, E. C. S. Turner, A. Walker, E. Alex. Young.
5. Election of Hon. Auditors for 1948-1951. Present Auditors: Mr. A. A. Hughes and Mr. E. C. S. Turner.
6. Loss of members through death.
7. Minutes of the last meeting.
8. Report of the Hon. Librarian.
9. Statement of the General Accounts.
10. Report of the Trustees of the Carter Ringing Machine. Trustees, Messrs. E. Alex. Young and A. A. Hughes.
11. To receive, discuss and, if thought fit, to adopt the reports of the following committees:

To pass such resolutions as may be necessary on matters arising out of the reports.

To reappoint or alter the constitution of the committees as may be considered desirable, and to appoint conveners of such committees.

(a) Standing Committee.
The following retire and are eligible for reappointment: Messrs. G. E. Debenham, J. T. Dyke, F. I. Hairs, C. F. Johnston, J. F. Smallwood, A. Paddon Smith, A. Walker, P. J. Johnson.
Note: Two vacancies occur through the death of Major J. H. B. Hesse and Mr. R. Richardson, and two vacancies through members now being ex-officio, i.e., Mr. Turner as Auditor and Mr. W. G. Wilson as Convener of Peal Boards Committee. The ex-officio members are the President, Hon. Librarian, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Auditors, Conveners of Committees and past officers (if still members of the Council).

(b) Peal Collection.
The following retire and are eligible for reappointment: Messrs. H. G. Cashmore, G. R. Newton, C. W. Woolley and E. A. Barnett.

(c) Methods.
Mr. E. C. S. Turner retires and is eligible for reappointment.

(d) Peal Analysis.
The following retire and are eligible for reappointment: Messrs. C. Dean, G. L. Grover, W. Ayre.

(e) Records.
The following retire and are eligible for reappointment: Mrs. G. W. Fletcher, Mrs. C. C. Marshall.

(f) Towers and Belfries.
The following retire and are eligible for reappointment: Messrs. E. H. Lewis, E. Alex. Young, F. Sharpe, W. Osborn.

(g) Literature, Press and Broadcasting.
The following retire and are eligible for reappointment: Rev. F. Ll. Edwards, Messrs. A. Paddon Smith, A. Walker.

(h) Peal Boards.
The following retire and are eligible for reappointment: Mr. W. G. Wilson, Rev. C. E. Wigg, Mr. W. Ayre.

(j) Biographies.
The following retire and are eligible for reappointment: Mr. A. C. Hazelden, Mrs. G. W. Fletcher.

(k) 'Ringing World.'
The following retire and are eligible for reappointment: Mr. E. H. Lewis, Mr. A. A. Hughes, Mrs. G. W. Fletcher, Mr. G. W. Fletcher.

MOTIONS.

12. ALTERATION IN RULES. RULE 13.
That the words 'Ringing papers' be deleted and 'The Ringing World' be inserted instead, as 'The Ringing World' is the official organ of the Central Council.
Proposed by Fred E. Dukes.
Seconded by John T. Dunwoody.
13. BOOK ON HANDBELL RINGING.
That the book on handbell ringing suggested at the 1939 Council meeting be completed and printed at the earliest opportunity.
Proposed by Fred E. Dukes.
Seconded by John T. Dunwoody.
14. That the late Mr. John Carter's Broadsheets of peals of Stedman Caters and Cinques be reprinted and included in the list of publications on sale by the Central Council.
Proposed by George E. Symonds.
Seconded by Albert Walker.
15. To fix the place of the next meeting.
16. Other business (if any).

GEORGE W. FLETCHER, Hon. Sec.
The White House, Caister-on-Sea,
Great Yarmouth.

OBITUARY

MR. ALBERT BISHOP.

A regular Sunday service ringer for over 30 years, Mr. Albert Bishop died at his home at Burford, Oxford, on April 15th, after a long illness patiently borne. His kind and quiet disposition endeared him to all with whom he came in contact.

Mr. Bishop had only rung one peal—Grandsire Triples—but had taken part in many quarter-peals of Stedman and Grandsire Triples. He was a safe ringer and excellent striker. A widow and two sons are bereaved.

The funeral service took place at Burford on April 17th. In the evening a half-muffled quarter-peal of St. Clement's Bob Triples was rung by M. C. F. Collett 1, F. Soden (cond.) 2, B. J. Forest 3, T. J. H. Prince 4, B. S. Nichols 5, T. W. Timms 6, W. J. Dixon 7, J. J. Westmacott 8.

MR. S. J. REDDELL.

Mr. S. J. Reddell, captain of the Yateley, Hampshire, band of ringers, died on April 10th. He had been a ringer for over 55 years and had rung many peals, his first being on May 1st, 1892. He was laid to rest close to the tower of his church, his own band of ringers acted as bearers, and many ringers from the surrounding district came to pay their last respects. He will be greatly missed.

WARSOP, NOTTS.—On April 4th, 1,260 Minor (540 St. Clement's and 720 Plain Bob): D. Rooke (age 12) 1, D. Chadwick 2, R. Lucas 3, R. Hind 4, F. Flint 5, H. T. Rooke (cond.) 6. First quarter 1 and 3.

Hertford County Association

OPPOSITION TO DIOCESAN SCHEME.

A large number of members and friends attended the annual meeting at St. Albans on April 3rd, the southern half of the county being well represented.

Cathedral Evensong was attended, the preacher being the Rev. A. St. G. Coulthurst, Vicar of Aldenham. A boy soloist rendered very beautifully Handel's 'I know that my Redeemer liveth.' A collection was taken in aid of the Association Benevolent Fund.

Members then adjourned to the Christ Church Parish Room for tea, the junior members acting as stewards.

The business meeting followed, with the president, Mr. L. Fidler, in the chair, supported by the Vicar of Aldenham, Mr. G. W. Cartmel and the general secretary (Mr. W. Ayre).

The secretary, in his annual report, stressed the importance of obtaining new members, particularly in the districts having wider scope for expansion. He suggested that meetings be held at towers where change ringing was either at a low ebb or non-existent, and that greater efforts should be made towards breaking down district isolation, thus creating more unity.

The district secretaries' reports were read and accepted with appreciation for their services, the general secretary emphasising the fact that more support was required.

Forty-four peals had been rung, mainly in the south, with Mr. H. G. Cashmore as the leading conductor. Peals worthy of particular notice were Albanian Surprise Royal, Barnet, Jersey and Felstead Surprise, all rung for the first time; Surprise Minor in three methods (Northern District) and the all doctors peal.

The new president, Mr. A. S. Carter (Hertford), was elected, and the treasurer (Mr. G. E. Debenham) and secretary (Mr. W. Ayre) re-elected. For the post of librarian there were two nominations, Mrs. A. M. Fergusson and Mr. C. F. Sayer, the former being elected. Messrs. H. G. Cashmore, C. W. Woolley, R. G. Bell and W. Ayre were elected as representatives on the Central Council.

On the question of the formation of a Diocesan Association, it was agreed that 'no useful purpose could result from an amalgamation with the Bedfordshire Association having the above object in view.'

The amended rules were then dealt with, and after further amendments had been agreed upon, were adopted.

Mr. G. W. Cartmel then proposed a comprehensive vote of thanks to all who had helped to make the meeting a success. The Vicar of Aldenham expressed pleasure at being able to attend and said how glad he was to have his bells rung again after eight years' silence.

RESTORATION

BLETCHINGLEY, SURREY.

After a silence of about ten years, the bells of St. Mary's, Bletchingley, have been put in ringing order. The bells were rededicated on March 27th by Canon R. H. Cragg, Rural Dean, and were rung at the dedication ceremony by the following members of the Surrey Association: D. Cooper, L. Penfold, W. Slaughter, E. Razzell, W. Claydon, G. Oliver, A. J. Bull and F. E. Collins. Ringing continued during the evening from rounds to London Surprise Major.

Ten years ago the main beams which carried the bell frame were found to be unsafe owing to damage by the death-watch beetle. This year the local builder and the architect, Mr. E. D. Jefferiss Mathews, O.B.E., have cooperated with Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, the bellfounders, the outcome being a new oak undercarriage built for the bell frame by the builders and the bells hung on modern ball bearings by the bellfounders. The result of this work has put Bletchingley bells once more in good going order and worthy of the tower in which they hang. The Rector (the Rev. A. Aitken Crawshaw) is to be congratulated on getting the job done.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Savouring of a 'Wangle'

Dear Sir,—The Rev. K. W. H. Felstead has misunderstood the purpose of my recent letter. The difference between Double Norwich with a 4ths place bob and with a 6ths place bob is slight—so slight that it is difficult to understand why the conductor of the peal in question (who is far from being one of the 'lesser brethren') should have put to it a footnote which would at any time have been rather ludicrous, but which in these days was an unnecessary waste of space. The conductor of my second peal of Reverse Bob might equally well have put that it was my first in the method in which the bob was made when the treble was leading!

His other questions may, I think, be answered in this way. The Exercise as we know it has existed with little fundamental change for over two and a quarter centuries, during which time certain customs have been observed by ringers and composers alike. One, which Mr. Felstead regards as the first consideration, is that there shall be no repetition of changes in a peal. Another is that singles shall not be used in Treble Bob methods. It makes no difference to the listener or to the mental or physical effort expended by the ringers if either of these customs is broken, but to do so would be contrary to the general feeling of the Exercise, which has always rejected anything savouring of a 'wangle.' Thus as soon as it was found possible to produce peals of Stedman Triples with ordinary bobs and singles, all peals with extraneous calls, admirable though they may have been up to that time, went out of use at once. (Now that Treble Bob can be spliced at the leadends, 'Ilkeston' and similar mixtures should also be barred.)

As mathematical exercises, Lockwood's 9,120 of Treble Bob and Brian Price's peal of Cambridge with a single are undoubtedly very clever, but for practical purposes they are merely wangles, and no ringer with any respect for the traditions of our art could tolerate them to-day. The fact that several prominent ringers took part in the latter peal is all the more to be deplored.

The peals of Cambridge with a 6ths place bob are rather different, but there is a perfectly adequate selection of compositions available using the ordinary bob, the fact that the tenors are parted on occasions being immaterial.—Yours faithfully,

E. A. BARNETT.

Crayford, Kent.

PEALS IN HOLY WEEK

Sir,—I feel sure that I voice the sentiments of many ringers in protesting against the ringing of peals in Holy Week. Recorded in your issue of April 16th are two eight-bell and six six-bell peals rung in that week, seven of which were rung on the Saturday. I admit that one of the eight-bell peals was rung in a secular campanile, but the listening public are not likely to differentiate between secular and church bells.

To discuss this matter at its very lowest level, it is surely a deplorable exhibition of bad taste that, on the day which is sacred to Christendom as commemorating the lying in the grave of our Lord, ringers should be found who consider that a peal is the most desirable method of recalling that event.

Critics of peal ringing activities are many, and it is surely laying the Exercise wide open to the hostility of all churchmen when practices such as that in question are indulged in. Moreover, as churchworkers, which is the fundamental raison d'être of all our organisations, ringers should avoid anything which may in any way bring church activities into disrepute.—Yours faithfully,

A. R. POYNTZ (Capt., R.I.N.).

Goring-on-Thames.

Three Answers

Dear Sir,—In reference to the letter of Mr. Felstead on page 148 of 'The Ringing World,' most fair-minded persons will be in full agreement with the first part of his letter, but his three questions and the last part of his letter are very controversial.

Question A: The 4ths place bob interferes with the structure of the method, and is, in fact, at bob lead of Double Oxford. Double Norwich has enjoyed a great popularity for half a century and there are plenty of good compositions available, so if the 4ths place bob is no improvement, why use it? Again, Double Norwich's only blemish is the unavoidable five pull dodging at the bobs. Why make this blemish worse by introducing three pull dodging underneath the five?

Question B: The objection here is that you open wide the door to all kinds of 'jiggery pokery.' Singles have no place in Treble Bob methods, but they are necessary in Plain methods if you want a good composition, otherwise you can only have in course combinations or extents. Re the 9,120, people used to ring 14 (360's) and 21 (240's) to a 5,040, but would such a performance be attempted to-day?

Question C: There is no objection here if it is an improvement. Mr. Felstead should read what Mr. Davies has to say of Cambridge in 'Surprise Methods.'

Now the last part of Mr. Felstead's letter. Truth is not the only consideration. Many years ago the Central Council laid down certain rules about methods, and we as ringers are wasting our delegates' time and our money if we do not observe these rules and decisions. Please refer back a few months to Mr. Smallwood's letter about the standard of ringing. If puts the matter in a nutshell.—I am, sir, yours faithfully,

B. BLOCK.

MR. E. W. PYE'S REPLY

Dear Sir,—In reply to Mr. E. A. Barnett, I am sorry to say there is no mistake on my part with regard to the Superlative, although it was never published or rung until 1935, when Mr. Barnett called it as his own composition. The one in my possession is identical with that published in your previous issue of 'The Ringing World.'

With regard to Mr. Corby, if he wants to have a difference of opinion, he should first finish the correspondence on the Yorkshire at Loughborough.—Yours sincerely,

E. W. PYE.

Note.—The Loughborough correspondence was closed by the Editor.

A CHESHIRE WEDDING

The marriage took place at Bowdon Parish Church on April 3rd of Mr. C. K. Lewis, hon. secretary, Stockport and Bowdon Branch, Chester Diocesan Guild, to Miss M. Elkins, hon. secretary, N.W. Area, Ladies' Guild. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Frank Bonner, Vicar of Norbury, Cheshire, late chairman of the Stockport Branch.

The local ringers formed a guard of honour with handbells as the happy couple left the church. The bride was given away by her father, Mr. Dick Elkins (chairman of the Stockport Branch). Miss Frances Laflin was the bridesmaid.

Peals were rung at St. Mary's, Bowdon, and St. Thomas', Norbury, in honour of the event.

BEOLEY BELLS

The historic ring of six at Beoley, Redditch, Worcestershire, have been tuned, cleaned and rehung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston at a cost of £711. The Rev. L. J. Birch, Vicar, writes:—

'The bill for the work on the bells has been paid—but we have yet to find £1,000 for tower repairs, a vast sum for a parish of 800 souls. Having considerably helped ourselves, some of your readers may be moved to help us.'

Clerical Ringing Week

Members of the Guild of Clerical Ringers met at Leicester, April 5th-9th. The party was made up as in 'The Ringing World,' except for the Revs. J. F. Amies, H. Benson, R. H. Palmer and B. F. Sheppard, who could not come.

A happy start was made on Monday at St. John's, Leicester, on a fine ring of 10 rehung by Taylor. The Press photographer, whose flashlight camera wouldn't work at first, found it impossible to comment as he would have wished.

On Tuesday, after Holy Communion at St. John's, we went to Loughborough, where during a most interesting tour of the foundry we saw several bells cast, tolled the bourdon bell for Liverpool Cathedral with its half-ton temporary clapper, raised the new tenor for Stratford-on-Avon and had the pleasure of sending her over the balance without breaking a stay as she hadn't one, had by Mr. and Mrs. Taylor's kindness a delightful lunch, and showed how fast parsons can be when they like, on the top six in the foundry tower.

After a ring on the fine ten at the Parish Church, on to Quorn, then to Mountsorrel, whose eight hang in a mediæval tower attached to an ancient church restored to look like a Georgian drawing room. Thomas Drake (father of Herbert) was Vicar here. Tea with the present Vicar and his wife, and then back to Leicester and a delightful ring at All Saints', whose ringing chamber has been splendidly done up by Mr. Cattell. We were glad to see several learners here, including a girl of five.

On Wednesday to South Wigston, with its peal boards recording 10,176 Kent Treble Bob Major, in 6 hours 26 minutes, 'which must ever reflect credit on the performers'; also the record 17,194 Double Norwich Major in 10 hours 35 minutes on December 27th, 1904. Despite this encouragement, Bob Major 'went west' after 1¾ hours. Meanwhile the non-pealers missed a bus and went to Countesthorpe, seven in a taxi, at funereal pace. After all had rung at All Saints', Wigston, and lunched at South Wigston, the afternoon was spent at Earl Shilton and Barwell (two good eights), then to Hinckley, with a grand eight in a splendid church. Mr. and Mrs. Ballard here gave us a nice tea.

In the evening St. Margaret's, Leicester, was enlivened with a very talkative course of Stedman Cinques—reminiscent of well-known scriptural allusions to the crowd of prophets in the cave, 'great was the company of the preachers,' etc. It was a great pleasure to have Mr., Mrs. and Jill Poole, also the Morrises and Ernest with us.

On Thursday a peal of Bob Major was rung at Gilmorton in memory of the Rev. E. S. Powell, and was his own composition. The others rang at Lutterworth and Claybrook Magna. After lunch at Gilmorton, the 'week' finished most pleasantly at Leicester Cathedral, whose fine 13 were greatly enjoyed, and at St. Saviour's, Leicester—a fine modern church, whose Vicar is a keen ringer.

At the business meeting the officers were re-elected as follows: President, the Rev. C. Carew Cox; vice-president, Canon R. F. Wilkinson; hon. secretary, Prebendary E. V. Cox; committee as above, also the Revs. Elliott Wigg and A. G. G. Thurlow. Southampton was chosen as the centre for next year.

The Guild is most grateful to the various incumbents and steeplekeepers for the use of the bells, to those kind people who gave us tea, and especially to Mr. H. J. Poole for the splendid and painstaking way in which he made arrangements for us. A. G. G. THURLOW.

ORIGINALITY

Dear Sir,—Re Mr. Cannon's letter concerning originality in composition, it is variously alleged that Leif Ericsson and Christopher Columbus discovered America. So did Amerigo Vespucci. And lots of Europeans since. Is the latest immigrant to have the credit too? J.D.

UPCHURCH, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 3, 1948, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, two 720's of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

*CYRIL S. JARRETT	*Treble*	FRANCIS J. CHEAL	4
CECIL C. BISHOP	2	CHARLES E. J. NORRIS	5
VICTOR A. JARRETT	3	WILLIAM A. J. KNIGHT	*Tenor*

Conducted by WILLIAM A. J. KNIGHT.
* First peal in three methods. In memoriam Mr. W. G. Easter, of Gillingham.

SHIPDHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., April 4, 1948, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two extents of Plain Bob, three of Oxford Treble Bob and two of Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

FREDK. C. JOHNSON	*Treble*	GEORGE ADAMS	4
LESLIE W. HOUGHTON	2	THOMAS A. A. POTTER	5
ARTHUR J. E. SMALLS	3	BERT GOGLE	*Tenor*

Conducted by LESLIE W. HOUGHTON.
In memoriam Rev. C. H. V. Eva, Rector.

MESSINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., April 5, 1948, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 9¼ cwt.

*MISS MAVIS KING	*Treble*	*JOHN TOYNE	4
†FREDK. G. NASH	2	‡RONALD TRAVISS	5
JACK BRAY	3	GEORGE E. FEIRN	*Tenor*

Conducted by GEORGE E. FEIRN.
* First peal of Minor. † First peal. ‡ First peal of Bob Minor.

SOMERLEYTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., April 8, 1948, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven extents called differently. Tenor 9½ cwt.

ARTHUR W. BIRD	*Treble*	*ERNEST F. NEWSON	4
KENNETH L. BROWN	2	*ALBERT E. COLEMAN	5
*EDWIN T. CHAPMAN	3	*PETER KINDRED	*Tenor*

Conducted by KENNETH L. BROWN.
* First peal of Minor. First of Minor as conductor.

STRETTON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., April 8, 1948, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being three 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, three 720's of Kent Treble Bob and one 720 of Plain Bob. Tenor 9¼ cwt.

WILLIAM ALLMAN	*Treble*	ALBERT H. BOOTH	4
THOMAS H. MATHER	2	HARRY W. HOWARD	5
WALTER ALLMAN	3	*DENIS MADDOCK	*Tenor*

Conducted by HARRY W. HOWARD.
* First peal in three methods.

BIDSTON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., April 9, 1948, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being three extents each of Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob and one extent of Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 5 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb. in B.

*THOMAS SMITH (15)	*Treble*	†ALFRED W. CUSICK (16)	4
*A. K. HUMPHREYS (17)	2	ALEXANDER J. MARTIN	5
C. B. PEMBERTON (17)	3	B. D. THRELFALL (19)	*Tenor*

Conducted by ALEXANDER J. MARTIN.
* First peal. † First peal away from the treble.

MEARS ASHBY, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two six-scores of Stedman, 10 of April Day, 10 of Plain Bob and 20 of Grandsire. Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb.

*MISS MAUREEN MABBUTT	*Treble*	WILLIAM G. CALLIS	4
*MISS BETTY CALLIS	2	RONALD C. NOON	5
GEORGE CARE	3	CHAS. W. PARTRIDGE	*Tenor*

Conducted by RONALD C. NOON.
* First peal.

SHOTWICK, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven extents. Tenor 8¾ cwt. in F sharp.

*ARTHUR K. HUMPHREYS	*Treble*	*CHARLES B. PEMBERTON	4
*ALFRED W. CUSICK	2	ALEXANDER J. MARTIN	5
†JAMES H. COOKE	3	*BRIAN D. THRELFALL	*Tenor*

Conducted by ALEXANDER J. MARTIN.
* First peal of Surprise. † First peal in the method. First peal of Surprise as conductor.

SANDHURST, KENT.
HAWKHURST AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Sat., April 10, 1948, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Comprising 1,200 Plain Bob, 1,080 St. Simon's, 2,760 Grandsire. Tenor 7 cwt.

MISS HELEN GORRINGE	*Treble*	MALCOLM S. CLOKE	3
WILLIAM GORRINGE	2	GEOFFREY S. WATERS	4
LAWRENCE POPE	*Tenor*		

Conducted by LAWRENCE POPE.
First peal in three methods of Doubles by all. First peal as conductor.

HANDBELL PEALS

SIBLE HEDINGHAM, ESSEX.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., April 3, 1948, in 1 Hour and 56 Minutes,
IN THE CHURCH BELFRY,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's each called differently.

REGINALD RIPPINGALE	1-2	ALBERT CATTERWELL	3-4
OLAVE E. BROYD	5-6		

Conducted by OLAVE E. BROYD.
To celebrate the wedding of Mr. E. W. Pye to Miss M. O. Broyd, daughter of the conductor.

WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Sun., Apr. 4, 1948, in 1 Hour and 57 Minutes,
AT 56, RANELAGH ROAD, BLAKENHALL,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven extents.

TREVOR REYNOLDS	1-2	ALBERT D. COLLINS	3-4
ERIC E. SPEAKE	5-6		

Conducted by ERIC E. SPEAKE.
First peal in the method on handbells for the Society and by all the band.

CARACAS, VENEZUELA.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., April 4, 1948, in 2 Hours and 8 Minutes,
AT QUINTA CADIZ, AVENIDA PANAMA, LOS CAOBOS,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Forty-two six-scores, standard callings. Tenor size 15 in D.

*MRS. ROLAND PARK	*Treble*	†ROLAND PARK	2-3
‡BERNARD H. SWINSON	4-5		

Conducted by ROLAND PARK.
* First peal. † First peal of Doubles. ‡ First peal on handbells and 25th peal. Believed to be the first peal in South America.

SOUTHBOURNE, BOURNEMOUTH.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., April 6, 1948, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
AT 9, FISHERMAN'S AVENUE,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;

MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY	1-2	GEORGE F. SWANN	5-6
DANIEL T. MATKIN	3-4	*ARTHUR V. DAVIS	7-8
FREDERICK E. WILSON	9-10		

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.
Witness: FRED PRICE.
* First peal of Stedman 'in hand.'

BELFAST.
THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., April 7, 1948, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes,
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. THOMAS' CHURCH,
A PEAL OF REVERSE CANTERBURY PLEASURE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

A. ERNEST MCGRATH	1-2	JOHN T. DUNWOODY	3-4
FREDERICK E. DUKES	5-6		

Conducted by FREDERICK E. DUKES.
First peal in the method in Ireland by all the band and for the Association.

Lancashire Association

A MOTION FOR DIVISION.

Oldham was the venue for the annual meeting of the Lancashire Association on April 10th with ringing facilities at the Parish Church, Glodwick, Leesfield and Moorside. The service was at the Parish Church, where an address of welcome was given by the Vicar (Canon Stephenson). A company of over 60 attended tea in the Burnley Street School.

The president (the Rev. F. F. Rigby) presided at the business meeting, supported by Canon Stephenson.

The committee's report records with regret the loss by death of 32 members. The present strength is 1,018, and with non-resident and hon. life members the total is 1,494. During the year 147 new members were elected.

Three branches had changed their secretaries and four their committee men. Owing to illness and business claims it was necessary to elect a new treasurer and ringing secretary. Three nominations were received for the new vice-president, the vote going to Mr. W. Taylor (Penwortham). From ten nominations for Central Council, Messrs. P. Crook, G. R. Newton, W. H. Shuker and A. Tomlinson were elected.

Next year's meeting is to be held at Liverpool. If the bells are ready it will be at the Cathedral, if not the selection of a tower was left to the branch.

Notice was given for inclusion on the agenda at the next annual meeting that the time had come for the Association to be divided into Diocesan Guilds and also that the membership subscription be increased to 2s.

The meeting expressed its thanks to Mr. F. R. Williams for his work during the past six years as treasurer, and their regret that his health would not let him continue. The faithful service of the ringing secretary (Mr. T. Wilson) for 11 years was recorded, and the general secretary (Mr. W. H. Shuker) was congratulated on his golden wedding.

The balance sheet showed a loss of £29. One item was £6 8s., which came in late, £4 was for extra 'Ringing Worlds,' and there were other items which would not appear again. The usual votes of thanks concluded the meeting.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSN.

FIFTY YEARS AS MASTER.

Visitors can rely on a good reception at All Saints', Newport, and the 60 odd members who attended the annual meeting there on Easter Monday were not disappointed. All Saints' and St. Woolos' bells were available before the service, which was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. E. R. G. Lewis.

An ample tea was provided by the ladies of the parish. The Vicar presided at the business meeting. When the question of Master arose it was pointed out that it was 50 years ago since Mr. J. W. Jones was first appointed Master, and it was thought to be a fitting tribute for the many years of faithful service he had rendered to the Association to honour him again this year. This was agreed to.

Two motions were lost; one to raise the annual subscription from 1s. to 2s. and the other to divide the Association into districts for administration purposes. Cardiff was selected for the next annual meeting with quarterlies at Machen and Llanbradach. Progress was reported from Machen, Bonvilston and Cowbridge. Blaenavon bells were expected to be ready by August and Abergavenny bells in by next month. Seventeen new members were elected, including the whole of the Trevethen band and the newly-formed Bonvilston band.

WEST WICKHAM, KENT.—On March 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: I. Couch 1, L. W. G. Skinner 2, C. Sullivan (first 'inside') 3, A. S. Richards (cond.) 4, B. Sullivan 5, R. Knight 6. First quarter by 1 and 6.

QUARTER PEALS

ASHFORD, KENT. — On April 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. G. Huckstepp (cond.) 1, P. Page 2, P. Huckstepp (first quarter of Triples) 3, T. Cullingworth 4, W. A. Oldfield 5, C. W. Everett 6, H. S. Wickens 7, M. S. Lancefield 8.

BRAMPTON, HUNTS.—On April 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. R. W. Allen 1, E. J. Whiting 2, H. S. Peacock 3, R. F. Baker 4, S. Gilbert (cond.) 5. First quarter for 1 and 2.

CROYDON, SURREY. — On April 4th, at the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, 1,341 Grandsire Cinques: G. Lodge 1, D. Cooper (cond.) 2, Miss J. England 3, Mrs. F. E. Collins 4, C. Parks 5, E. Razzell 6, W. Oatway 7, D. Parsons 8, R. Davies 9, G. H. Humphries 10, F. E. Collins 11, F. E. Mitchell 12. First quarter of Cinques by 1, 3, 6 and 8.

FARNBOROUGH, HANTS.—On April 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: K. H. Treweek 1, G. S. Joyce (first as cond.) 2, R. E. Woods 3, C. X. Turner 4, P L. Eldridge 5, R. H. Mills 6. First quarter for 1, 3 and 6.

HARLINGTON, MIDDLESEX. — On April 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. A. Nelhams (first of Triples) 1, J. F. Smallwood 2, J. B. Sansom 3, P. Bettridge 4, H. Belcher 5, M. V. Chilcott 6, J. W. Stephenson 7, J. E. Chilcott (cond.) 8.

HORSELL, SURREY.—On April 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Oliver 1, R. Collins 2, R. Andrews 3, D. Sleet 4, A. Boylett (first 'inside') 5, W. Saunders 6.

LLANELLY, CARM. — On April 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Evans 1, L. B. Hurren 2, C. H. Hawkins (cond.) 3, R. Scudamore 4, G. Francis 5, A. P. E. Sage 6. First quarter 1 and 6.

OLD WINDSOR, BERKS.—On March 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Burt (first quarter) 1, R. Franklin 2, F. Tindall 3, C. Heskins 4, A. Cross 5, A. H. Bates 6, W. Welling (cond.) 7, R. A. Welling 8.

PORTSMOUTH, HANTS.—On April 4th, at the Cathedral, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. Lawrey 1, L. P. Cook 2, J. D. Harris 3, J. Mead 4, A. L. Pearson 5, F. W. Burnett 6, J. H. Hunt (cond.) 7, F. Edwards 8. First quarter in the method for 1 and 4.

SALISBURY.—On March 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Dalrymple (first quarter) 1, J. E. Figgures 2, A. Fry 3, L. A. Page (cond.) 4, F. L. Harris 5, J. Sutton 6, J. Maidment 7, W. Chalk 8. A farewell to the conductor, who is joining H.M. Forces.

ST. IVES, HUNTS.—At All Saints' on April 4th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: H. W. Pratt 1, Miss C. Dunnington 2, L. W. Fisher 3, Miss M. Green 4, F. Nicholls 5, O. L. Perkins 6, G. H. Dunnington 7, F. Warrington (cond.) 8. First quarter in method for 1 and 4.

SHOREHAM-BY-SEA, SUSSEX.—On April 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Howe (first quarter) 1, G. Church 2, R. Challen 3, H. Gearing 4, E. Marsh 5, F. Howe (cond.) 6, M. Thomas 7, J. Arnold 8.

STAVERTON, NORTHANTS. — On April 6th, 1,440 Bob Minor: Miss M. Clarke 1, E. Orland 2, K. R. Holtom 3, C. Hall (first quarter of Minor) 4, S. G. Osborne (cond.) 5, Mrs. E. S. Powell 6.

STEPNEY, LONDON.—On March 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Boomsma (first quarter) 1, L. J. Fox (cond.) 2, A. H. Warboys 3, T. G. Fox 4, A. T. Boomsma 5, G. Boomsma 6.

SWANAGE, DORSET.—On April 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. J. Clarke 1, F. Bishop 2, W. Damer 3, J. Sutton 4, Mrs. R. Anderton 5, P. Foote (first as cond.) 6, G. F. Hayson 7, H. Woodhouse 8. First quarter 3 and 8.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.—On March 28th, at St. James', 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Matravers 1, F. Morris 2, W. Warren 3, W. H. Tarr 4, C. Williams 5, H. Mockridge 6, W. G. Gigg (cond.) 7, E. Simons (first quarter) 8.

TODMORDEN, LANCS. — On March 29th, 1,320 Bob Doubles: John H. Wild (age 14) 1, Robert D. Uttley (age 14) 2, Jeffrey Plowes (age 15) 3, Colin R. Milthorp, R.N. 4, Derek Sanderson (first as cond.) 5, David A. Wild (age 13) 6. First quarter for 2, 3, 6.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The address of the Rev. A. G. Thurlow, General Secretary of the Norwich Diocesan Association, is now St. Clement's Rectory, 3, Colegate, Norwich. 3372

MISCELLANEOUS

MANY EMINENT RINGERS NOW USE 'DELIGHT' RECORD BOOKS. Whatever *your* status—recruit, expert or 'just ordinary'—you need one to record your ringing activities.—Write Will Viggers, 37, Highfield Gardens, Aldershot, for samples. 3347

MEETINGS

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Meeting at Saltwood (6), May 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. 3358

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Saturday, May 1st, All Saints', Isleworth, 3-8. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Bus 37 from St. Margaret's, Isleworth, or Hounslow East Stations. Middlesex Association members specially invited.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Meeting at Farnborough (6) on Saturday, May 1st, at 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Notify for tea by previous Thursday.—G. S. Joyce, 130, Ship Lane, Farnborough, Hants. 3428

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION. — Northern Division. — Practice meeting, Ardingly, Saturday, May 1st, 3 p.m. Tea. Names for tea to G. T. Jennings, 5, Malthouse Road, Crawley. 3430

HEREFORD GUILD.—Hereford Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Madley, May 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5. Numbers to J. W. Downes, Roundway Cottage, South Bank Road, Hereford. 3394

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Western Branch.—Meeting, Claines, Saturday, May 1st. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—E. F. Cubberley, Park Cottages, Kempsey, near Worcester. 3401

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS. — Southern Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Evesham, Saturday, May 1st. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea (2s. 6d.). — Wilfred J. Newman, Sec., 10, Peewit Road, Hampton, Evesham. 3386

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Tonbridge District.—By-meeting at Sandhurst (6) 3 on May 1st. Service 4.30. Tea 5. 3382

CRUSADERS OF S.W. ESSEX. — Meeting, Rayleigh (8), May 1st. Ringing 3 to 8. Arrangements made for tea 5 to 6. This is a meeting for learners, rounds upwards. Everybody welcome.—F. V. Gant. 3398

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Hunts District.—Godmanchester, Saturday, May 1st. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. — S. Gilbert, District Sec. 3397

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guild Festival at Mere on Saturday, May 1st. Annual meeting in the Grove Building at 2 p.m. Guild service 3.30 p.m. Preacher, the Master, Rev. C. Carew Cox. Collection for Bishop's Appeal. Tea (1s. each) Grove Building, 4.45 p.m. Towers available: 8 bells, Mere, Gillingham, Warminster, Wincanton; 6 bells, Bourton, Zeals, Stourton, Longbridge Deverill, Dinton, Hindon, Motcombe, East Knoyle, Semley, Wilton; 5 bells, Sedgehill, Silton. — F. Ll. Edwards, Hon. Sec., Kington Magna Rectory, Gillingham, Dorset. 3391

SHEFFIELD SOCIETY. — Whiston, Saturday, May 1st, 3 p.m.—H. Chaddock, Hon. Sec. 3400

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—Meeting at St. Nicholas', Chislehurst, Saturday, May 1st, 2.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. Service 5.30. 3409

OXFORD GUILD.—V.W.H. Branch.—Annual meeting, Faringdon, Saturday, May 1st. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4.30. 3408

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.W. District.—Practice evening, Moreton (6), Saturday, May 1st. Bells 5.30 p.m. All welcome.—G. Blake, 96, Burford Street, Hoddesdon, Herts. 3418

SOUTHWELL GUILD. — Nottingham District.—Meeting at Radcliffe, Saturday, May 1st. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Tea 5. 3426

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Northern District. — Meeting at Pickering, Saturday, May 1st. Tea 4.30 p.m. at White Swan. Names to Mr. A. R. Holliday, 12, Maudon Avenue.—Edward Hudson, Hon. Dis. Sec. 3433

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Wigan Branch.—Meeting, Christ Church, Southport, Saturday, May 1st. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. No business. 3443

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.—Ringing at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, on Saturday, May 1st, 2.30 to 3.30 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. (Liverpool Street to James Street Stations, then bus or via Lea Bridge Road). Invitation to attend memorial service and to ring at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, 4 p.m.—T. J. Lock, Hon. Sec. 3442

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Monday, May 3rd, 7.15 p.m., a practice meeting at St. Mary's, Lambeth. Everyone welcome.—H. W. Rogers, Hon. Gen. Sec. 3385

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION. — Evening meeting, Hillingdon (St. John's), Monday, May 3rd, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.—F. A. Finch. 3461

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ludlow and Church Stretton District. — Quarterly meeting, Church Stretton, Saturday, May 8th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m.—G. Randle, Yew Tree Farm, Ashford Bowdler. 3460

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The annual general meeting will be held at St. Michael's, Headingley, Leeds, on Saturday, May 8th. Bells (8) will be available from 2.30 till 4 p.m. and after meeting until 9 p.m. St. Chad's (8) also available after meeting until 9 p.m. Service (St. Michael's) 4 p.m. Tea (1s. 6d. per head) served in the Bennet Road Institute 5 p.m. only to those who notify Mr. P. J. Johnson, 53, Shire Oak Road, Leeds 6, by May 4th. Meeting in Council Room, same premises, immediately after tea.—L. W. G. Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec., 65, Lilycroft Road, Heaton, Bradford. 3393

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Rochdale Branch.—Next meeting will be at Whitworth on Saturday, May 8th. Bells available 3 p.m. Bring own food, cups of tea provided. Business meeting 6.30 p.m.—I. Kay, Branch Sec. 3437

ST. PETER'S, STAINES.—A practice meeting will be held on May 8th (VE-Day, 1945) from 6 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. All welcome.—R. Lathbury. 3450

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Annual general meeting, May 8th, Brighton. St. Nicholas' and St. Peter's 2, Good Shepherd 7.30. Service, St. Nicholas', 4. Tea (only to those who notify by individual names to Mrs. E. L. Hairs, The Oaks, Theobalds Road, Burgess Hill, by May 3rd) at Union Church Hall 4.45. Rail fare allowance above fares costing 2s.—S. E. Armstrong, General Secretary. 3415

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Chesterfield District.—Monthly meeting, North Wingfield, Saturday, May 8th. Please send names for tea before Tuesday, May 4th, to Mrs. Wain, Church View, Church Lane, North Wingfield, Chesterfield. 3421

SURREY ASSOCIATION (Southern District) and EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting, Reigate, Saturday, May 8th. Bells (10) 3. Tea 4.30. Names to W. Claydon, 8, Chartfield, Reigate, Surrey, by Wednesday, May 5th. Names for summer outing by this date, please.—J. W. Knight. 3410

GUILDFORD GUILD.—Guildford District.—Meeting, Shere, Saturday, May 8th. Service 4.15. Other arrangements as usual. Names for tea, please, by Monday, May 3rd, to A. C. Hazelden, 109, Grange Road, Guildford. 3419

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch. — Meeting at Christ Church, Bootle, Saturday, May 8th. Bells (6) 3. Service 5. Tea 5.30. Kindly let Mr. J. McKee, of 127, Springwell Road, Litherland 20, know not later than May 5th.—G. R. Newton, Branch Sec. 3439

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Tewkesbury Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Deerhurst, May 8th. Bells (6) 2.45. Service 4. Tea and business meeting following. Names for tea by May 3rd.—E. T. Newbury, 2, Western Hill Road, Beckford, Tewkesbury. 3436

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT.—Meeting at St. Patrick's, Patrington, May 8th. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea (3) only those who notify first post Thursday, May 6th, Mr. D. A. Fewster, Lily Lodge, Patrington. — Albert E. Sellers. 3434

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District. — A meeting will be held at Henlow on Saturday, May 8th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Tea at 5.—C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy. 3446

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—I.W. District.—Quarterly meeting at Brading, May 8th. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mrs. Guy, Merrie Meade, Watergate Road, Newport, I.W. 3447

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual meeting, Leicester, Saturday, May 8th. All Saints' (6), Cathedral (12) and St. Margaret's (12) from 2 p.m. to 4; St. John's (10) 2 to 4.30. Service, St. John's, 4.30. Tea, St. George's Hall, 5. Names for tea by Tuesday, May 4th, to W. J. Root, 8, The Portwey, Leicester. 3448

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Littleport (8), Saturday, May 8th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 at Lincoln's Cafe.—C. Gimbert, Sutton, Ely. 3449

SOUTHWELL GUILD. — North Notts Branch.—Meeting, Tuxford (6), Saturday, May 8th. Card for tea to Mr. W. Brett, 1, Ashvale, Tuxford, by 5th. No names, no tea. — H. Denman. 3452

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Alton and Petersfield District. — Quarterly meeting, West Meon, Saturday, May 8th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Business meeting follows. Numbers for tea by May 5th.—C. E. Bassett, Dis. Sec., Sunnybrook, Brook Lane, Warsash, Hants. 3454

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Ilkeston District.—Breadsall, May 8th, 2.30. Names for tea to F. Shaw, 38, Inglefield Road, Ilkeston, by May 6th. 3445

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—Blunsdon (6), May 8th. Tea 5 p.m.—W. B. Kynaston, 37, Vicarage Road, Rodbourne Chaney, Swindon, Wilts. 3441

OXFORD GUILD.—Bicester Branch.—Annual meeting, Kirtlington, Saturday, May 8th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. For tea please notify F. Sharpe, Derwen, Launton, Bicester, Oxfordshire. 3453

SUFFOLK GUILD. — General meeting at Grundisburgh, May 8th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. until 8.30. Cups of tea 5 p.m. Bring food. Records will be made of bells in afternoon.—C. W. Pipe, Grundisburgh. 3455

PETERBOROUGH GUILD.—Peterborough Branch.—Meeting at St. Martin's, Stamford, on Saturday, May 8th. Service 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to W. H. Waldron, 137, Scotney Street, Peterborough. 3444

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Oxford City Branch.—Half-yearly meeting, Cuddesdon (6), Saturday, May 8th. Bells 2.30. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. Names for tea by May 5th to Miss M. R. Cross, The School House, Radley, Abingdon. 3351

LINCOLN GUILD.—Lincoln District.—Meeting at Eagle (6), May 8th. Bells available 2 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea only for those who notify me by Tuesday previous. — John Freeman, Hon. Sec., 95, Sincil Bank, Lincoln. 3423

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Furness and Lake District Branch.—Practice meeting, Cartmel, Saturday, May 8th. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to H. Dixon, Clogger Beck, Cartmel.—N. M. Newby, Branch Sec. 3463

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Western District.—Apsley End (6), Saturday, May 8th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea following. Names to E. J. Upton, 18, Basil Road, Hemel Hempstead, by Wednesday, May 5th.—W. C. Hughes, Dis. Sec. 3427

MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD. — Annual meeting, St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent, May 8th. Bells (10) 2. Service 4.15. Tea 5 only to those who notify by May 6th.—J. W. Cotton, Overseal, Burton-on-Trent. 3432

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Eastern District.—Meeting, Ware, Saturday, May 15th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea before Tuesday, May 11th, please, to H. Groom, 1, Broken Green Cottages, Standon, Ware, Herts. 3451

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Saturday, May 15th, at 3.30 p.m.—Frank Reynolds, Branch Sec. 3458

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. — Annual meeting, Wellingborough, Whit Monday. Guild committee meet Church Hall, 2.45. Service 3.30, All Hallows'. Tea 4.30, Gloucester Hall, only for those whose application reaches Guild secretary by May 8th. Bells: Earls Barton and Finedon, 11 to 1; Wellingborough, 1 to 3.30; Great Doddington and Wilby, 1 to 3. After meeting all above, also Irthlingborough, Irchester, Higham Ferrers, Wollaston and Bozeat. — Robert G. Black, Guild Sec., Stamford Road, Geddington, Kettering. 3357

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—The annual general meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit Monday, May 17th. Service in the Cathedral 11 a.m.; preacher, the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Colchester. Meeting to follow in the Chapter House. Lunch at the County Hotel at 1.30 p.m. Names for lunch not later than May 8th. Bells available: Cathedral (12), 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. The following are available from 3 to 9 p.m.: Great

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HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual Festival, Hereford, Whit Monday, May 17th. Service (Cathedral) 3.30. Tea (Garrick Hotel) 4.15. Business 5. Bells, All Saints' (8), St. Nicholas' (6), 11.30; Cathedral (10), noon. Notify tea before May 14th. — Rev. E. G. Benson, Burghill Vicarage, Hereford. 3406

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.—Annual meeting, St. David's, Bangor, Whit Monday, May 17th. Service 2.30, followed by business meeting. Tea 4.30. Notification by Wednesday, 12th.—W. Cathrall, 19, Cunliffe Walk, Garden Village, Wrexham. 3459

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION INVITE CENTRAL COUNCIL DELEGATES and friends to a ringing meeting on Whit Monday. St. Mary's, Lambeth Bridge, 3 to 5; St. Stephen's, Rochester Row, Westminster, 6.30 to 8.—H. W. Rogers, 14, The Grove, Isleworth (HOU 3921). 3464

ST. ANNE'S, STAMFORD HILL. — Dance and social will be held at St. Anne's Library Hall, Cissbury Road, N.15, on Saturday, May 29th, in aid of Bell Fund. Tickets, 2s., may be obtained from secretary (stamp, please). Bells available to ringing visitors 6 to 7.30. Dance 7.30 to 11.—E. J. Rowe, 8, Effingham Road, Hornsey, N.8. 3440

BARNSLEY DISTRICT SOCIETY. — The annual shield contest will be at Penistone, June 12th. Open to all members. All entries much reach me not later than June 5th.—D. Smith, Hon. Sec., 28, Chapel Street, Shafton, near Barnsley. 3457

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Will conductors of Association peals using compositions other than those of which suitable reference can be given please send details to the Peal Secretary, Mr. M. Thurmott, 18a, Market Street, Ely.—W. W. Cousins, Gen. Sec. 3431

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