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MINIMUS HAS A LIMITED CHARTER

THREE times we were officially told, during the proceedings of the Central Council meeting this Whitsun, that Stoke-upon-Trent was the world centre of the pottery industry. We do not dispute it. The exquisite breakfast ware in the Town Hall, where the members were entertained to the morning meal after the Communion service in the Church of St. Peter ad Vincula and later in the day by the Lord Mayor, heightened the generous hospitality. Finally, as a permanent memento, the 147 members of the Council present—a total that has never been surpassed—each received a china ashtray upon which was engraved the Abraham Rudhall tenor bell of Stone. The North Staffordshire Association is probably the smallest Association to entertain the Council—a matter of 20 affiliated towers—but they played the host with dignity, grace and experience. The towers open were many, ringing facilities were good, and even if some 30 ringers should try to snatch a 1-bell tower the Association could not be blamed for their misfortune. It was a matter of topography and not campanology!

This was a happy meeting, and in some ways one might say it was a day of triumph for the small man. To begin with, the call-change ringers of Devon—under the title of the Devon Association—were admitted to full membership and had their own representative present. They are thus enjoying equal status of membership with great Societies like the College Youths and the Cumberlands. Some might say their skill is not our skill, and vice versa; the common link, however, is church bellringing. It has now come to pass that the belfry is a very real part of the life of the Church, and it was no small tribute to the contribution of the humble bellringer to the great work of evangelisation that the Bishop of Lichfield should be present to celebrate at Holy Communion, to join the members at breakfast and finally give us a cordial welcome to his diocese.

The friendship of the Episcopal Bench to ringers has been most marked of late. And it was only fit and proper that the retirement of Dr. Geoffrey Fisher as Archbishop of Canterbury should not be allowed to pass without an appropriate letter of appreciation and thanks for his interest in our art. Still more, June 27th was declared to be a great ringing day throughout the length and breadth of the country to mark the enthronement of Dr. Ramsey to the See of Canterbury and as Primate of All England. Ringers are requested to ring their bells, ring quarter peals and peals in honour of the enthronement and publicly to let the people know why they are ringing. For this happy idea of public acknowledgment we have to thank one outside the membership of the Council—Mr. William Bir-

The next great triumph for the small man was the recognition of peals of Minimus under certain circumstances. There were plenty of pointers to suggest that after Whit Tuesday peals of Minimus would not be recognised. Great men had written letters on the subject, Associations had passed resolutions against recognition, the convener of the Peals Analysis Committee had openly declared that he would not recognise such performances as peals. and he had gone so far that in the preparation of his report to the Council he had not counted these performances as peals. Finally, there had been rung 'the last 4-bell peal by one of the pioneers of this cult.' Never were dice so heavily loaded against success. And those who conjure up in their distorted minds that the Central Council is a body of dictators thrusting their wills mercilessly upon ringers must have been amazed at this example of true democracy.

How did it all happen? Many of the Council are still mystified at such a change of face. A rumble of the fight ahead was seen at the beginning of the Council meeting, when the accuracy of the minutes of the Folkestone meeting was challenged by the Master of the Cumberlands, Mr. Denis Beresford. It was his contention—and it was supported by Mr. Walter Ayre, a former master of the Cumberlands and chairman of the Peals Analysis Committee—that the recognition of peals of Minimus was never voted on at Folkestone. Mr. Beresford made a tactical error; he raised the question after the minutes had been signed as a matter arising from the minutes. A challenge of accuracy, to be effective, has to be made before the minutes are signed as a true and accurate report of the proceedings. Thus the assault was rebuffed.

The next skirmish occurred in the presentation of the Peals Analysis Committee's report. The Standing Committee took the view that the six performances of Minimus were peals and the report should be amended accordingly. After discussion, the Standing Committee's point of view was upheld, and this meant that there was an influential body of opinion with the small man, and the motion of Messrs. P. A. Corby and J. R. Cooper, that 'a peal shall be rung with five or more changing bells,' was by no means a *fait accompli*. It was met by amendment after amendment, and finally it was a woman, Mrs. Jill Staniforth, who found the acceptable formula that 'Peals of Minimus on tower bells may be recognised in towers that contain four bells; peals on four handbells or less shall not be recognised.' This was carried by 78 votes to 57.

Ringers will recognise the subtleties of this amendment. No Minimus peals in five-, six- or more bell towers; no handbell stunts. What it means is that those who ring in a 4-bell tower will not be denied, if they can master the monotony and are able to count with accuracy 210 extents, the privilege of ringing a true and complete peal.

Other comments on the Council meeting are deferred

TEN BELL PEALS

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 13, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 50 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb. in F sharp.

ROBERT B. SMITH ..	*Treble*	J. EDWARD CAWSER ..	6
*BERYL E. CAWSER	2	JAMES H. PAILING	7
ALFRED BALLARD	3	*MARTIN C. FAULKES ..	8
W. ERNEST RAWSON ..	4	RUSSELL S. MORRIS ..	9
*GRAHAM T. BALL	5	JOHN M. JELLEY ..	*Tenor*

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH. Conducted by J. EDWARD CAWSER.
* First peal of Cambridge Royal.

PORTSMOUTH, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 13, 1961, *in* 3 *Hours and* 17 *Minutes,*
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,
A PEAL OF 5091 STEDMAN CATERS
Tenor 25¼ cwt. in E flat.

JESSIE M. KIPPIN ..	*Treble*	*MICHAEL J. THOMAS ..	6
STEWART F. KIMBER ..	2	J. NEVILLE HAILE	7
FRANK E. DARBY	3	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ..	8
JOHN D. HUNT..	4	CHARLES H. KIPPIN ..	9
*DAVID E. HOUSE	5	ROBERT C. KIPPIN ..	*Tenor*

Composed by E. BENNETT. Conducted by FRANK E. DARBY.
* First peal of Stedman Caters.
Rung as a farewell to John H. Hunt, who is shortly leaving the country.

TWICKENHAM, MIDDLESEX.
THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.
On Sat., May 13, 1961, *in* 3 *Hours and* 25 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL HALLOWS,
A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in E flat.

ANTHONY V. QUEEN ..	*Treble*	N. DAVID ROBINSON ..	6
*MIKAELA ERIK	2	*GEOFFREY PRATT	7
*JUDITH K. ESSEN	3	DEREK E. SIBSON	8
*E. JANE LANGTON	4	†PHILIP MEHEW	9
DIANA M. LAWLESS.. ..	5	MICHAEL R. ROSE ..	*Tenor*

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.
* First peal of Grandsire Caters. † First of Grandsire Caters 'inside.'

FAREHAM, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, *in* 3 *Hours and* 15 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL
Tenor 13 cwt.

*SUSAN E. SMITH	*Treble*	†JOHN A. G. BALL	6
S. KATHLEEN M. KNIGHT	2	†DAVID S. M. JONES ..	7
WILLIAM A. THEOBALD ..	3	HAROLD A. NOBES	8
†RENEE STURGESS	4	†ALAN H. STURGESS.. ..	9
†MERVYN J. BRAY	5	JOHN H. HUNT..	*Tenor*

Composed by HENRY J. TUCKER. Conducted by JOHN H. HUNT.
* First peal. † First on ten bells. First on ten bells as conductor.
First peal on the augmented bells.

SHREWSBURY, SALOP.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, *in* 3 *Hours and* 16 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD,
A PEAL OF 5043 STEDMAN CATERS
Tenor 39 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. in B.

MARY C. POYNER	*Treble*	*GEORGE H. RANDLES ..	6
NORAH M. RANDLES.. ..	2	*JOHN WALDEN	7
FRANK W. PERRENS	3	PETER SHARP	8
HARRY POYNER	4	JACK L. MILLHOUSE ..	9
LOUIS WILLDERS	5	BARNABAS G. KEY	*Tenor*

Composed by CHAS. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.
* 100th peal together.
Rung to welcome a son (David Chevalier) to Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Bloomfield, of Felixstowe.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Sat., April 29, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 49 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb.

WILLIAM F. WOODWARD ..	*Treble*	FREDERICK E. WILSHAW ..	5
PETER J. STANIFORTH ..	2	MARTIN C. FAULKES.. ..	6
RICHARD J. WARRILOW ..	3	JOSEPH W. COTTON	7
DAVID W. BRUNNING ..	4	JOHN M. JELLEY..	*Tenor*

Composed by F. DENCH. Conducted by JOHN M. JELLEY.

ARUNDEL, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., May 8, 1961, *in* 3 *Hours and* 3 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 13¾ cwt.

LEONARD STILWELL	*Treble*	E. WINIFRED KEYS.. ..	5
BASIL W. WHITE	2	*HERBERT W. WOOLVEN ..	6
EDGAR R. RAPLEY	3	GEORGE FRANCIS	7
*ROBERT WAKE	4	W. LESLIE WELLER.. ..	*Tenor*

Composed by W. BARTON. Conducted by W. LESLIE WELLER.
* First peal in the method.

BURNHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 13, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 56 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES
J. J. Parker's Six-Part. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb. in F sharp.

WILLIAM HENLEY	*Treble*	RICHARD E. DEAN	5
*GEOFFREY RIGLAR	2	HOWARD OGLESBY	6
MARY R. JAYCOCK	3	GORDON W. LIMMER ..	7
GEORGE COUSSINS	4	†NEIL BELSON	*Tenor*

Conducted by RICHARD E. DEAN.
* First peal. † First of Triples. First in the method as conductor.

HALESOWEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 13, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 54 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 17 cwt. in E flat.

JOHN J. STANIER	*Treble*	SYDNEY T. HOLT	5
WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT	2	GEORGE E. EVENDEN ..	6
CLIFFORD SKIDMORE	3	*DAVID BEACHAM	7
R. GEORGE MORRIS	4	†THOMAS W. LEWIS.. ..	*Tenor*

Composed by S. J. IVIN. Conducted by DAVID BEACHAM.
* 100th peal and first of Surprise as conductor. † 500th peal on tower bells.

HANBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Sat., May 13, 1961, *in* 3 *Hours and* 12 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WERBURGH,
A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES
Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb.

*IAN FRIEND	*Treble*	‡E. MARION KEY	5
GEORGE L. ROOBOTTOM..	2	‡BARNABAS G. KEY	6
WILLIAM J. LEACH	3	†DAVID JORDAN	7
†VERONA NAYLOR	4	‡DAVID J. WILKES	*Tenor*

Composed by J. J. PARKER. Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.
* First peal. † First in the method. ‡ 50th peal together.
Rung as a welcome to David Roobottom, son of the second ringer, born on May 5th.

KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 13, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 47 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Tenor 9¼ cwt.

URBAN W. WILDNEY ..	*Treble*	HARRY J. MILLATT	5
ANDREW T. BECKWITH ..	2	FRANK B. LUFKIN	6
EDWARD E. DAVEY	3	ALAN R. ANDREWS	7
ROY DUESBURY	4	MAURICE E. DOWNS ..	*Tenor*

Composed by C. W. WOOLLEY. Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.
Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to John W. Brown, of Bocking.

QUORN, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 13, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 55 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,
A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb.

JUDITH A. M. COX	*Treble*	DEREK M. SAWYER	5
MARTIN C. FAULKES.. ..	2	A. MAXWELL LINDSEY ..	6
JAMES H. PAILING	3	B. STEDMAN PAYNE	7
GEOFFREY M. BREWIN ..	4	JOHN M. JELLEY	*Tenor*

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by JAMES H. PAILING.
Rung at the special request of the Vicar for the Parish Gift Day.

USK, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 13, 1961, *in* 3 *Hours,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 14¼ cwt. in F sharp.

*DAVID TAYLOR..	*Treble*	*DAVID HUGHES	5
JACQUELINE S. KING ..	2	LIONEL JONES	6
GEORGE KNIGHT	3	DAVID J. KING	7
DAVID PIKE	4	†NICHOLAS BIDDESCOMBE	*Tenor*

Conducted by DAVID J. KING.
* First peal on eight. † First peal.
Rung as an 80th birthday compliment to Mr. Edgar Luff (captain) ringer at Usk for 35 years.

WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Sat., May 13, 1961, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr.

FREDERICK G. HANDLEY	*Treble*	FRANCIS BROTHERTON ..	5
*MICHAEL J. FELLOWS ..	2	†KEITH WILLIAMS	6
ERNEST STITCH	3	JAMES S. EASTWOOD ..	7
ERNEST J. MUNDAY	4	MAURICE G. TURNER ..	*Tenor*

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by MAURICE G. TURNER.
* First peal of Major. † First of Major 'inside.'

CROWLE, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., May 14, 1961, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF 5152 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

*MICHAEL J. FELLOWS (13)	*Treble*	NICHOLAS J. DAVIES	5
†MARTIN D. FELLOWS ..	2	GEOFFREY R. DREW	6
GEOFFREY J. HEMMING ..	3	PAUL D. T. CATTERMOLE ..	7
SHIRLEY M. PARSONS ..	4	GERALD C. HEMMING ..	*Tenor*

Composed by JAMES S. WILDE. Conducted by GERALD C. HEMMING.
* First peal of Surprise. † First of Surprise 'inside,' and 25th for the Association. The conductor's 175th peal. First on the bells for almost 25 years.
A wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Allan F. Ellis, Scarborough, Canada. Allan was formerly a ringer at St. Peter Mancroft.

NEW MILLS, DERBYSHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., May 15, 1961, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. in G sharp.

SHIRLEY HARRIS	*Treble*	JOHN ROBINSON	5
CAROL FERNLEY	2	BASIL JONES	6
EILEEN M. FEARN	3	PETER LAFLIN	7
JOHN R. GILDEN	4	EDWARD JENKINS	*Tenor*

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by BASIL JONES.

PENISTONE, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Barnsley and District Society.)
On Mon., May 15, 1961, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

THOMAS CROSSLEY	*Treble*	MARK LOCKWOOD	5
ARTHUR CHAMPION	2	*HERMAN RUSBY	6
*TREVOR TARBATT	3	*NOEL F. MOXON	7
GEOFFREY TOWNEND ..	4	ERIC STAINROD	*Tenor*

Composed by E. HOWLETT. Conducted by ERIC STAINROD.
* First peal of Bob Major. First as conductor on eight bells.
Rung as a welcome home to Harold Chant after his stay in hospital: also as a farewell to E. A. Binch, until recently station-master at Penistone. Tenor 14¼ cwt.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., May 15, 1961, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,
A PEAL OF 5088 YORK SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lb.

GEORGE DAWSON	*Treble*	*ALBERT W. A. LEGGETT ..	5
JOHN E. ALLEN	2	J. MARTIN THORLEY ..	6
STANLEY E. BENNETT ..	3	RONALD C. NOON	7
*EDWIN T. CHAPMAN ..	4	CYRIL R. BURRELL	*Tenor*

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by RONALD C. NOON.
* 50th peal together. First in the method by all.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., May 18, 1961, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.
A PEAL OF 5024 PEMBROKE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

MRS. T. J. LOCK	*Treble*	DENNIS KNOX	5
JOHN R. MAYNE	2	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY ..	6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY ..	3	ALFRED J. HOUSE	7
ALICK CUTLER	4	THOMAS J. LOCK	*Tenor*

Composed by DENNIS KNOX. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.
First peal in the method (Corrigan, No. 244).

PEMBROKE SURPRISE MAJOR
38—38.6—56—38.14—14.5.16—16.7
2nds place lead-end. 4ths place bob.
Composition as for the first peal of Wiltshire Surprise Major, 'R.W.,' November 14th, 1958, page 748.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In seven methods, being 1,280 Rutland, 960 London, 640 each of Bristol, Wembley and Yorkshire, and 480 each of Cambridge and Superlative; with 129 changes of method.
Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in E flat.

JOHN R. MAYNE	*Treble*	*STEWART F. KIMBER ..	5
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY ..	2	*J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE ..	6
DENNIS KNOX	3	*JACK S. DEAR	7
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY ..	4	*FRANK E. DARBY	*Tenor*

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.
* First peal of 7-Spliced Surprise Major. First of Spliced Surprise Major on the bells.
Specially arranged and rung to celebrate the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. John Hill.

CLAYBROOKE PARVA, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., May 20, 1961, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb. in E flat.

ALFRED BALLARD	*Treble*	ALAN J. FROST	5
THOMAS J. LOCK	2	MARTIN C. FAULKES	6
G. STEDMAN MORRIS ..	3	R. ROGER SAVORY	7
*GEOFF. M. BREWIN ..	4	TOM CHAPMAN	*Tenor*

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by TOM CHAPMAN.
* First peal in the method.

FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.
A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

WILLIAM J. BUTTON ..	*Treble*	JACK PILGRIM	5
JAMES M. BAILEY	2	WALTER RUFFLES	6
MURIEL R. PAGE	3	LESLIE G. BRETT	7
WALTER W. MILLER	4	*PETER S. BEDFORD	*Tenor*

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY (No. 23). Conducted by LESLIE G. BRETT.
* First peal of Superlative.

GOLDHANGER, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF 5056 OXFORDSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in A flat.

ALISON M. MANN	*Treble*	ERNEST E. S. JOHNSON ..	5
IVAN J. M. SAUNDERS ..	2	HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE	6
PETER J. EVES	3	IAN R. PANTON	7
JOE E. G. ROAST	4	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS ..	*Tenor*

Composed by E. W. TIPLER. Conducted by JOE E. G. ROAST.
First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

HEDON, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Beverley and District Society.)
On Sat., May 20, 1961, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE,
A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in E.

JOHN M. HARROP	*Treble*	‡JOHN A. SINGLETON ..	5
*JANET I. PORTER	2	DAVID S. JOHNSON	6
*HAROLD F. GIBSON ..	3	JOHN G. HOBSON	7
†RICHARD D. GIBSON ..	4	*RONALD DUCKER	*Tenor*

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by RONALD DUCKER.
* First peal of Oxford Major. † First of Major. ‡ First peal, and first of Major as conductor.
A birthday compliment to Janet Porter; also a farewell to John Hobson, leaving soon for East Africa.

HODNET, SHROPSHIRE.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE.
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt. 24 lb.

FREDERICK PRICE	*Treble*	THOMAS PRICE	5
*RICHARD E. MORRIS ..	2	FREDERICK G. BEDDOW ..	6
FREDERICK LEECH	3	*REGINALD H. NEWTON ..	7
PHILIP J. EVANS	4	ARTHUR PRITCHARD	*Tenor*

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by ARTHUR PRITCHARD.
* First peal in the method.

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NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, *in* 7 *Hours and* 11 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF 13440 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In six methods, being 3,840 Watford, 3,168 each Rutland and Wembley, 1,920 Ealing and 672 each Belgrave and Belvedere, with 381 changes of method. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.

Edward Jenkins	*Treble*	C. Kenneth Lewis	5
A. Peter Whitehead	2	John Worth	6
Bernard F. L. Groves	3	Robert B. Smith	7
Basil Jones	4	Brian Harris	*Tenor*

Composed by Albert J. Pitman. Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.
Umpire: Peter Laflin.
The extent of Spliced Surprise Major with the tenors together.
The longest length of Spliced Surprise Major yet rung.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., May 22, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 24 *Minutes,*
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb.

Keith B. Townsend	*Treble*	A. James Poynor	5
Ernest Morris	2	R. Kingsley Mason	6
John M. Jelley	3	Joseph W. Cotton	7
Sidney Harrison	4	Peter J. Chilton	*Tenor*

Composed by J. Nicholl. Conducted by Peter J. Chilton.
First peal as conductor.

CENTRAL COUNCIL PEAL

SILVERDALE, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Whit Monday, May 22, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 58 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Luke,
A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In five methods, being 1,120 London, 1,088 Superlative and 1,024 each of Bristol, Cambridge and Pudsey, with 107 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor 9¼ cwt. in G.

Gordon Benfield (Yorkshire Association)	*Treble*
W. Eric Critchley (Yorkshire Association)	2
John Freeman (Lincoln Diocesan Guild)	3
Richard F. B. Speed (honorary member)	4
Wilfrid F. Moreton (honorary member)	5
G. William Critchley (Herts County Association)	6
Leslie W. G. Morris (Yorkshire Association)	7
Philip A. Corby (Kent County Association)	*Tenor*

Rung strictly silent and non-conducted.
First peal of Spliced Surprise Major in more than four methods to be rung silent and non-conducted.

STAFFORD.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Mon., May 22, 1961, *in* 3 *Hours and* 3 *Minutes,*
At the Collegiate Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5088 ALDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 19 cwt. 11 lb.

Richard J. Warrilow	*Treble*	*Charles A. S. Webb	5
*Ann E. Fellows	2	*Robert J. Warrilow	6
Frederick E. Wilshaw	3	*Geoffrey Davies	7
*F. Hector Bennett	4	Arthur Pritchard	*Tenor*

Composed by N. J. Pitstow. Conducted by Arthur Pritchard.
* First peal in the method.

SIX BELL PEALS

HOLT, WILTSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 6, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 30 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Katherine,
A PEAL OF 5040 REVERSE ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S DOUBLES
Being 42 extents. Tenor 9 cwt. 6 lb. in G.

Geoffrey Humphries	*Treble*	Phillip Gaisford	4
David Stillman	2	Robert Purnell	5
Richard Humphries	3	Fred Box	*Tenor*

Conducted by Robert Purnell.
First peal in the method by all the band, and on the bells.
Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. F. Purnell, grandparents of the conductor, on their 60th wedding anniversary.

BODENHAM, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., May 7, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 45 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being one 240 and 42 six-scores (ten callings). Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.

Dorothy M. Rushton	*Treble*	*Stanley Lewis	4
Alice M. Rushton	2	Alfred E. Rushton	5
Ronald J. Sharp	3	Leslie Evans	*Tenor*

Conducted by Alfred E. Rushton.
* First peal 'inside.'
Rung for Rogationtide.

CROFTON, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., May 8, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 55 *Minutes,*
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in four methods: One of St. Clement's and two each of Oxford, Kent and Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr.

Thomas W. Crossley	*Treble*	Kenneth Park	4
Geoffrey Townend	2	Wilfrid F. Moreton	5
David Lockwood	3	Trevor Tarbatt	*Tenor*

Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

CAWTHORNE, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., May 12, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 44 *Minutes,*
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in nine methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) College Exercise, (3) Sandal, London Scholars', Kingston and Capel, (4) Oxford T.B., (5) Kent T.B., (6 and 7) Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

Thomas W. Crossley	*Treble*	W. Eric Critchley	4
Herman Rusby	2	Geoffrey Townend	5
Trevor Tarbatt	3	Wilfrid F. Moreton	*Tenor*

Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.
With best wishes from the band to Harold Chant.

THRYBERGH, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Sheffield and District Society.)
On Fri., May 12, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 55 *Minutes.*
At the Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Cambridge, two of Oxford T.B., two of Kent T.B. and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 26 lb. in B flat.

John J. L. Gilbert	*Treble*	Eileen J. Osborne	4
Geoffrey N. Goodall	2	Frank Brunt	5
Lynne Thompson	3	John S. Seager	*Tenor*

Conducted by John J. L. Gilbert.
A tribute to Dr. G. H. Sedgwick, for 46 years local doctor and many years church councillor, churchwarden and chairman of the local Council, on his retirement and departure to live in Worksop.

CONINGSBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 13, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 44 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
In seven methods, being extents of Bourne, Norwich, Surfleet, Beverley, Cambridge, London and Wells. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb. in G.

Eric Flintham	*Treble*	Albert E. Flatters	4
*Brian Hunt	2	Harold Barsley	5
Geoffrey R. Parker	3	Jack L. Millhouse	*Tenor*

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.
* First peal of Minor. First on the bells since rehanging and recasting.

WILLINGHAM, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 13, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 31 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In four methods, being an extent of Norwich and two each of Cambridge, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt.

*Paul Leggett	*Treble*	George E. Thoday	4
†Alan W. Payne	2	Geoffrey A. Lucas	5
Donald F. Murfet	3	Mansfield Ginn	*Tenor*

Conducted by Mansfield Ginn.
* First peal. † First in four methods.

LONG STRATTON, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., May 16, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 45 *Minutes.*
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being three extents of Kent Treble Bob, two of Oxford Treble Bob and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

Pauline Adcock	*Treble*	Robert J. Plummer	4
Clive R. Calton	2	Harry B. Fuller	5
Ernest Whiting	3	Leonard J. Minns	*Tenor*

Conducted by Ernest Whiting.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., May 16, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 23 *Minutes,*
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being seven extents. Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in C.

*Richard M. Forder	*Treble*	Gillian M. Doggett	4
*Christine Morris	2	*Richard A. Shekelton	5
†Susan E. Waterford	3	Robert B. Smith	*Tenor*

Conducted by Robert B. Smith.
* First peal. † First 'inside.'

STISTED, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., May 19, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 36 *Minutes,*
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven 720's in 18 methods, viz.: (1) London Scholars' and Kingston T.B.; (2) College Ex., Norbury, Duke of Norfolk and Ockley T.B.; (3) Norwich Surprise; (4) Ipswich and Cambridge Surprise; (5) Kent and Oxford T.B.; (6) Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Childwall and Thelwall Bob; (7) Plain, Double and Oxford Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in A flat.

Urban W. Wildney ..	*Treble*	John A. Warner	4
Andrew T. Beckwith ..	2	*Frank B. Lufkin	5
*Alan R. Syder	3	Bernard W. Fairhead ..	*Tenor*

Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.

* 50th peal together.

BRISTOL.
THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 51 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Michael-on-the-Mount, Without,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents of St. Clement's Bob and five of Plain Bob.

Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.

*John C. Baldwin	*Treble*	*Jennifer M. Gambling..	4
David Heighton	2	*Ian C. Maycock	5
†Judith M. Atkinson ..	3	Royston Blackler	*Tenor*

Conducted by John C. Baldwin.

* First peal in two methods. † First peal. The ringer of the second has now 'circled the tower' twice. The ringer of the treble has now rung peals of Minor in one to seven methods.

Rung as an engagement compliment to Michael J. Austin and Wendy Evans, and also as a belated engagement compliment to John Baldwin and Beryl Abbott.

BURBAGE, BUXTON, DERBYSHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 40 *Minutes,*
At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, being one extent of St. Clement's College Bob and two each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr.

David J. Adams	*Treble*	Brian Schofield	4
*Peter Dale	2	John Robinson	5
Alan G. Kirk..	3	John R. Kennett	*Tenor*

Conducted by John Robinson.

* 25th peal.

BURGHCLERE, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 45 *Minutes,*
At the Church of The Ascension,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents of Oxford Treble Bob, three of Kent Treble Bob and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt.

Reginald F. Crook ..	*Treble*	Reginald W. Rex	4
*John W. T. Hibbert ..	2	Brian Mills	5
Frank W. Lewis	3	†Geoffrey K. Dodd ..	*Tenor*

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd

* First peal of Minor in more than one method 'inside.' † 250th peal.

DOWNHAM, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 40 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven 720's in 25 methods: (1) Rossendale, Stamford, Annable's London, Lightfoot, Wearmouth and Netherseale; (2) Carlisle, Chester and Munden; (3) Alnwick and Newcastle; (4) London and Wells; (5) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Primrose and Bourne; (6) Beverley, Berwick, Surfleet and Hexham; (7) York and Durham.

Tenor 7¼ cwt. in B flat.

Hermon J. Oliver	*Treble*	Laurence H. Turner ..	4
John L. Fennell	2	Roy R. Tiffin	5
Colin M. Tiffin	3	Harry Turner	*Tenor*

Conducted by Harry Turner.

First peal in 25 methods by all.

EWYAS HAROLD, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 42 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 six-scores (ten callings). Tenor 7 cwt.

Charles Phillips	*Treble*	Leslie H. Colcombe ..	4
*Michael V. Powell ..	2	Reginald G. Powell ..	5
Thomas J. Gundy	3	Alfred J. Williams.. ..	*Tenor*

Conducted by Michael V. Powell.

* 25th peal. First as conductor. Rung as a compliment to Mr. H. Kennard on his retirement after being a ringer at this church for 50 years.

REDBOURN, HERTFORDSHIRE
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 53 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of London, Norwich, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Childwall and St. Clement's.

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb. in F.

John G. Cull..	*Treble*	Augustin V. Good	4
Walter Ayre	2	Stanley Huckle	5
*Martin A. Jordan.. ..	3	Gerald Penney	*Tenor*

Conducted by Gerald Penney.

* First peal of Minor. Rung with the best wishes of the band for the future happiness of Christine Pullin and Dennis Bowen, married this day at St. Peter's Church, St. Albans.

SWAVESEY, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 49 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being three extents each of Ipswich and Cambridge Surprise and one of Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt.

Alan W. Payne..	*Treble*	Arthur Yarrow	4
Geoffrey A. Lucas.. ..	2	*George E. Thoday.. ..	5
Donald F. Murfet.. ..	3	Mansfield Ginn	*Tenor*

Conducted by Mansfield Ginn.

* 75th peal. Rung as a compliment to Dorothy A. M. Robinson and L. Victor Chamberlain upon their engagement.

SWEPSTONE, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, *in* 2 *Hours and* 38 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob and one of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb.

Joseph W. Cotton	*Treble*	*Norman W. Attaway ..	4
William F. Woodward ..	2	John K. Smith	5
John M. Jelley	3	A. James Poyner	*Tenor*

Conducted by John M. Jelley.

* First peal in four methods.

Rung for the Festival of the Holy Spirit.

HANDBELL PEALS

BEVERLEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., April 12, 1961, *in* 1 *Hour and* 44 *Minutes,*
At 36, Eastgate,
A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Frances Fairbank	1—2	Charles Barker	3—4
Malcolm Lincoln	5—6		

Conducted by Charles Barker.

ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., May 12, 1961, *in* 1 *Hour and* 53 *Minutes,*
At 17, Queen Street,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 11 in G.

*Martyn L. J. Jordan ..	1—2	Gerald Penney..	5—6
Geoffrey Dodds	3—4	Joyce Dodds	7—8

Composed by C. H. Martin. Conducted by Gerald Penney.

* First peal on eight bells, and first 'in hand.'

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HALF PEAL

WEST RETFORD, NOTTS.—On May 6th, 2,520 Plain Bob Minor: G. Challons 1, R. Franthorpe (longest length 'inside') 2, Mrs. Valerie Hobbs 3, A. Wilson 4, H. Denman 5, R. Hobbs (cond.) 6.

ABINGDON, BERKS.—On May 7th, 1,320 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Philippa J. P. Dixon 1, J. A. Constant 2, J. Berry 3, Mrs. A. E. Lock 4, B. R. Care (cond.) 5, Mrs. M. P. Dixon (first quarter) 6. For Rogation Sunday.

ABSON, GLOS.—On May 17th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: Bro. J. Sprules (K.O.M., Nightingale Lodge) 1, Bro. G. Sprules (Nightingale Lodge) 2, Bro. B. Shackleton (Pheonix Lodge, cond.) 3, Bro. P. King (Sodbury Vale Lodge) 4, Bro. H. Ferris (Westerleigh Lodge) 5, Bro. A. Monk (Westerleigh Lodge) 6. First of Stedman for 4 and 6. Believed to be the first quarter rung by Brothers of the Royal Antediluvian Order of Buffaloes.

BARKBY, LEICS.—On April 27th, 1,440 Minor (Single Oxford and Plain Bob): S. Meredith 1, C. Froggatt 2, B. Brant (first of Minor) 3, D. Bradley 4, F. Bradley (cond.) 5, B. Mills 6.

BLOXWICH, STAFFS.—On May 7th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Marlene E. Jones 1, Jill V. Morgan 2, Ann Barr 3, Lucy Allen 4, B. J. Townsend 5, J. B. Webb 6, J. H. Allen (first on eight as cond.) 7, C. M. Smith 8. First in method 2 and 5. By Lichfield Cathedral Sunday service band for Evensong.

BOBBING, KENT.—On April 29th, 1,320 Grandsire Doubles: R. G. Nye 1, Evelyn M. Cumberworth 2, D. Breakspear 3, T. D. Wickens (cond.) 4, N. Crane 5, K. S. Ryar 6. For the christening of the cousin of the ringer of 5.

BRADSTONE, DEVON.—On April 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: H. Hicks 1, W. Boucher 2, W. Manning 3, J. H. Benoy (cond.) 4, F. Wells 5, K. Fice 6. A birthday compliment to J. H. Benoy.

BRISTOL.—On April 30th, at St. Michael's-on-the-Mount, Without, 1,260 Grandsire & Plain Bob Doubles: Christine Collett 1, C. Tyndale-Biscoe 2, M. J. Austin 3, E. Mould 4, A. R. Kench (cond.) 5, J. W. Scarrott 6. For Evensong. Also on May 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Judi White 1, Jane Tuffin 2, C. Tyndale-Biscoe 3, Jennifer Gambling 4, Dorothy Stafford 5, I. C. Maycock (cond.) 6. For Rogation Sunday.

CHADLINGTON, OXON.—On May 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Lewis 1, B. Cooper 2, P. Coveney 3, D. Powell 4, W. Lewis (cond.) 6, J. Harvey 6. First quarter 1, 4 and 6. For Confirmation service by the Bishop of Dorchester.

CHALFONT ST. GILES, BUCKS.—On April 23rd, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: M. Damarell (first of Minor) 1, Mrs. Pamela S. Cracknell 2, Mrs. Jean Kelly 3, B. Edwards 4, B. A. Cracknell 5, P. W. Atkins (first as cond.) 6. For Evensong, and St. George's Day.

CHATHAM, KENT.—On May 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Norris 1, C. J. Gould 2, W. A. J. Knight (cond.) 3, T. Beaumont 4, J. Haigh 5, R. Norris 6, C. E. J. Norris 7, B. F. Baker 8. First quarter for 5th for 35 years.

CHESHAM, BUCKS.—On May 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (10 callings): A. Turney 1, G. Reynolds 2, J. A. Underwood (cond.) 3, W. Reynolds 4, H. Jones 5, E. C. Hoare 6. First quarter by all except conductor and first by an entirely local band. For Matins.

CLUTTON, SOMERSET.—On May 10th, 1,440 York Surprise Minor: F. C. Mogford 1, B. Shackleton 2, R. Hooper 3, M. Horseman 4, J. Brain 5, J. Gilbert (cond.) 6. First in the method by all the band.

DEDDINGTON, OXON.—On May 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Minnear (first quarter) 1, E. E. Pearson 2, Y. M. Obbard 3, W. Ivings 4, C. C. Clarke (cond.) 5, W. Minnear 6. For morning service.

DORKING, SURREY.—On May 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Way (first quarter) 1, Christine Harbott 2, Ethel Clear 3, Olive Boulden 4, E. G. L. Coward 5, G. F. Pratt 6, A. P. Cannon (cond.) 7, M. W. Harbott 8. Rung as a compliment to the treble ringer on receiving the Queen's Scout award.

EASTHAM, CHESHIRE.—On May 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss C. Edwards (first quarter) 1, B. C. W. Jenks 2, Mrs. F. R. Ferris 3, R. E. D. Ham 4, F. R. Ferris 5, K. Halford (first quarter) 6. For Rogation Sunday and visit of Bishop of St. Albans.

ELMLEY LOVETT, WORCS.—On May 20th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): P. J. Brown 1, M. J. Fellows 2, J. E. Pullon 3, P. Cattermole (cond.) 4, M. D. Fellows 5. Rung as a compliment to Rev. E. W. Bartlam, to commemorate the 25th anniversary of his institution as Rector of this parish.

QUARTER PEALS

ENFIELD, MIDDX.—On Ascension Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Major: G. Newcombe 1, J. T. Y. Roberts 2, J. R. Towers 3, D. E. Towers 4, H. Howson 5, R. Wood 6, J. Weeks 7, T. Hawkins (cond.) 8.

EXNING, SUFFOLK.—On April 28th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Susan E. Cross (age 12) 1-2, Irene A. Cross 3-4, A. R. Mann (cond.) 5-6.

FORDHAM, CAMBS.—On May 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Heffer (first quarter) 1, J. E. Goodwin 2, J. Y. Parker 3, R. Minns 4, R. J. Palmer (cond.) 5, R. Morley 6. For Ascension Day.

HADLEIGH, SUFFOLK.—On May 15th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Miss E. R. M. Cansdale 1, Miss R. J. Seabrook 2, R. J. Palmer (cond.) 3, A. W. Cansdale 4, T. Bird 5, D. E. Cullum 6, F. A. Willis-Betts 7, A. R. Mann 8.

GLOUCESTER.—On May 14th, at St. Mary-de-Crypt, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: L. Hewitt 1, L. Edwards 2, W. Jones 3, P. Clarkson 4, J. Whiting 5, R. Hazell 6, P. Allen 7, L. Barry (cond.) 8.

HARROW-ON-THE-HILL, MIDDX.—On May 14th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: B. E. Matthews 1, Mrs. C. E. Slade 2, Miss P. J. Laycock 3, Miss S. J. Heasman 4, R. E. Waters 5, B. C. Burrough 6, F. P. Wright 7, C. E. Slade (first in the method as cond.) 8. For Matins.

HASLEMERE, SURREY.—On May 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: I. Weatherley 1, F. Bowden 2, A. V. Queen 3, Mrs. F. Bowden 4, J. McDermott 5, J. E. Clark 6, H. Gauntlett (cond.) 7, C. Johnstone 8. In honour of consecration of Guildford Cathedral.

HERSHAM, SURREY.—On May 16th, 1,260 Grandisre Triples: Genebeth Mooring (first of Triples) 1, C. Webb 2, Joan A. Smith 3, Gwen May 4, B. Priestley (first of Triples 'inside') 5, H. Colcombe 6, J. King (cond.) 7, V. Smith 8. Rung half-muffled to the memory of Jim Brent, a local ringer, who was interred this day.

HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.—On April 23rd, 1,440 Oxford Treble Bob: S. Meredith 1, C. Froggatt 2, R. Blackshaw 3, B. Mills 4, D. Bradley (cond.) 5, F. Bradley 6. For Evensong on St. George's Day. Also on May 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Blackshaw 1, C. Froggatt 2, B. Mills (cond.) 3, J. Smith 4, A. Larkin 5, A. Wheeler 6. For Evensong.

HURST, BERKS.—On May 11th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: Mrs. B. C. Castle 1, C. W. Mortimer 2, Miss D. Gibbs (first 'inside') 3, R. K. Rivers 4, C. A. Eele 5, R. I. Castle (first in method) 6, B. C. Castle (cond.) 7, F. J. E. Hicks 8. For Ascension Day.

HUTTON, ESSEX.—On May 21st, 1,260 Doubles Grandsire and Plain Bob): C. E. Hill 1, W. G. Wright 2, J. J. Wallett 3, W. T. Hill 4, R. G. Jones (first as cond.) 5. For Matins.

KIRK ELLA, YORKS.—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Minor (Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob): Miss P. Irwin (first of Treble Bob) 1, I. G. Campbell 2, I. N. Goldthorpe 3, K. Kirk 4, J. R. Perrett 5, D. S. Johnson (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

LITTLEHAM, S. DEVON.—On May 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: O. Gatter 1, J. West 2, F. Mack (cond.) 3, J. Carter 4, R. Gatter 5, H. West 6. Rung as an 85th birthday compliment to J. West.

LONGTON, STAFFS.—On May 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Patricia Rogers 1, Rosemary Fleming 2, Christine M. Rimmer 3, Mrs. B. Percy (cond.) 4, C. H. Rogers 5, M. Thomson 6, R. D. Bell 7, C. Jones 8. First quarter 6 and 8.

MERRIOTT, SOMERSET.—On May 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Horne 1, A. Best 2, H. Turner 3, P. Hamlin 4, A. W. Robinson (cond.) 5, S. Thompson 6. A 21st birthday compliment to ringer of 4th.

ORSETT, ESSEX.—On May 14th, 1,279 Doubles (St. Osmund, St. Simon's, St. Martin's, All Saints', Plain Bob and Grandsire): A. T. Bowley 1, Mrs. D. G. Mayell 2, Miss E. Mason 3, Mrs. F. W. Blatch 4, D. G. Mayell (cond.) 5, F. W. Blatch 6. First in six methods for 1, 3, 4 and 6, and first in six methods on the bells.

OXFORD.—On May 12th, at the Church of St. Cross, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Elizabeth Miller 1, R. H. Jones (cond.) 2, Julia A. Chandler 3, Helen Williams 4, N. D. Deam 5.

PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.—On May 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mary Thorling (first of Minor) 1, P. J. Rothera (first 'inside') 2, V. H. Nash 3, R. G. Morris 4, M. C. Hughes 5, R. E. Tallis, jun. (cond.) 6. For Evensong, and the christening of Nigel John Parker, Sarah Louise Caulkin and Angela Jayne Cox.

PITSFORD, NORTHANTS.—On May 20th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: E. Winkworth (first quarter) 1, Judy Frost 2, G. Paul 3, G. Dickens (first as cond.) 4, D. Trueman 5,

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.—On Whit Sunday, at St. Andrew's Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples: D. F. Wheeler 1, T. G. Myers (cond.) 2, F. E. Day 3, S. F. O'Shaughnessy 4, H. F. Myers 5, A. W. Myers 6, D. R. Bould 7, W. H. Marks 8. For Evensong.

PLYMPTON, DEVON.—On May 17th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: W. G. Lavers (first of Major as cond.) 1, F. E. Day 2, Miss S. P. Sims (first of Major) 3, A. W. Myers 4, H. F. Myers 5, S. F. O'Shaughnessy 6, D. R. Bould 7, T. G. Myers 8.

PUTNEY, LONDON.—On May 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Brookes (first away from cover) 1, A. Millidge 2, L. Allen 3, B. Bull 4, A. Clayton 5, C. Mew (cond.) 6.

REIGATE, SURREY.—On May 21st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Sharon Northeast (first of Major) 1, K. Game (first of Major 'inside') 2, Freda Hankey 3, W. Dunn 4, W. H. Inwood 5, A. Streeter 6, G. Olliver (cond.) 7, A. T. Shelton 8.

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.—On May 21st, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: N. Donovan 1, Mrs. E. Chaddock 2, Miss P. Walker 3, R. Woodward 4, S. Armeson 5, Miss S. Chaddock 6, N. Chaddock (cond.) 7, G. S. Lee 8, J. N. D. Chaddock 9, P. Walker 10. Rung for Evensong, and as a farewell to the Rev. C. A. Edwards, on leaving for Bristol.

SANDRIDGE, HERTS.—On May 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Lydia M. Chamberlain (first quarter) 1, B. B. Hullah 2, C. M. Foster (first quarter) 3, J. D. Chamberlain 4, A. T. Hawkins (first as cond.) 5, G. T. Ridgway 6. A birthday compliment to ringer of 4th.

SHENSTONE, STAFFS.—On April 30th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob and Grandsire): C. M. Smith 1, Marlene E. Jones 2, J. B. Webb 3, B. J. Townsend 4, Lucy Allen (cond.) 5. First in three methods on the bells. Rung by Lichfield Cathedral Sunday service band for Evensong, to mark the Shenstone Christian Stewardship campaign.

SILSOE, BEDS.—On Ascension Day, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Janet Wilkinson 1, D. R. Brazier 2, R. A. Ward 3, T. P. Harris (cond.) 4, P. J. Lawton 5, M. V. Grace 6. Rung for the evening celebration of the parish Eucharist.

SOUTH HACKNEY, E.—At St. John at Jerusalem, on May 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss N. Hales 1, Miss P. Miller 2, T. A. Hales 3, W. Wainwright 4, G. Parsons 5, C. J. Aldridge (cond.) 6, J. W. Steele covering. Rung for the service to commemorate the life and work of Florence Nightingale.

SOUTH NEWINGTON, OXON.—On May 12th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Grandsire, R.C.P. and Plain Bob): M. Sayers 1, M. W. Coleman 2, C. C. Clarke (cond.) 3, B. J. Davies 4, E. T. P. Field 5.

SOUTH WEALD, ESSEX.—On May 16th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. P. Brandon 1, G. K. Goldwin 2, R. J. Isgrove 3, C. M. Tiffin 4, J. L. Fennell 5, R. R. Tiffin (first as cond.) 6. First of Cambridge by all the band. Rung by members of Brentwood School for the Founder's Day service in this church. Average age: 17.3.

STOKE D'ABERNON, SURREY.—On May 16th, 1,500 Plain Bob Doubles: D. Strucket 1, D. Brock 2, Miss D. Gibbons 3, D. Leach 4, D. Boniface (cond.) 5. Rung on the eve of the consecration of the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Guildford.

STOULTON, WORCS.—At he Campanile, on May 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. A. Jopp 1, R. G. Morris 2, Miss A. Bullard 3, Mrs. A. A. Jopp 4, J. Clements (cond.) 5, A. Jopp (first quarter, age 7) 6.

SWINDON, WILTS.—At Christ Church, on May 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Dr. C. G. Roworth 1, Dr. H. Craig 2, R. J. Drewett (first of Triples) 3, Miss M. Wright (first of Triples as cond.) 4, R. G. Townsend 5, E. Sutton 6, W. W. T. Daniell 7, E. Vincent 8. For Evensong, and to celebrate the Ascension.

TOTTERNHOE, BEDS.—On May 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Christine Smith 1, I. Knox 2, A. G. Stripp 3, R. J. Scott 4, J. Claughton 5, W. Sear 6, J. W. Sinfield (cond.) 7, B. R. Stripp 8. First in method 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 and 8. Rung on the anniversary of the first peal of Bob Triples at Norwich in 1715. Also on Ascension Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Christine Smith 1, I. Knox 2, R. J. Scott 3, J. Newman 4, J. Claughton 5, A. G. Stripp 6, J. W. Sinfield (cond.) 7, W. F. Gladman (first of Triples) 8.

WALKDEN, LANCS.—On May 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Holt (first quarter) 1, R. Scott 2, J. Thornley 3, P. Lomax 4, N. Tompkins 5, A. Critchley 6, P. Crook (cond.) 7, A. Burton 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mr. E. Headon, churchwarden for 12 years.

WAREHAM, DORSET.—On May 21st, 1,316 Grandsire Triples: C. J. Fooks 1, Judith A. Harding 2, C. T. Brown 3, A. M. Cunningham 4, I. Smith (first of Triples) 5, A. V. Rose 6, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 7, C. A. Bull 8. For Evensong.

OLD HEADINGTON, OXFORD.—On May 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Margaret Bock 1, Cherry Withell 2, Muriel Clark 3, H. Badger 4, T. Smith (cond.) 5, E. Parsons 6. A 21st birthday compliment to Miss Jill Masters, and before the S.P.G. Deanery Festival.

OLDSWINFORD, WORCS.—On April 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. J. Roden 1, Yvonne Edwards 2, P. L. Bill 3, J. E. Lawley 4, J. C. Eisel 5, M. D. Fellows 6, M. J. Fellows (first of Triples as cond.) 7, P. J. Brown 8. First of Triples for 1, 3 and 4. A birthday compliment to M. D. Fellows and Mr. F. V. Nicholls, of St. Thomas', Stourbridge.

ORPINGTON, KENT.—On May 7th, 1,260 Bob Doubles: A. M. Macve 1-2, D. Manger 3-4, R. E. Finch (cond.) 5-6. First quarter 'in hand' by all.

OXFORD.—On April 5th, at the Church of St. Martin and All Saints, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: J. Drewitt 1, E. G. Moore 2, F. A. H. Wilkins 3, P. Walker 4, R. J. Chaundy 5, C. Holloway 6, F. A. White 7, A. R. Pink (cond.) 8. A farewell to Canon R. R Martin, who has held the office of city Rector for the past 34 years. Also on April 16th, at St. Ebbe's Church, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: J. R. Harris 1, W. H. B. Wilkins 2, D. T. Darby 3, H. W. Badger 4, A. N. Stubbs 5, E. R. Venn 6, A. J. Adams 7, A. R. Pink (cond.) 8. Also on April 30th, at the Church of St. Ebbe, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: W. H. B. Wilkins 1, J. H. Gardner 2, E. R. Venn (cond.) 3, C. Coles 4, S. D. Edwards 5, J. R. Harris 6, A. J. Adams cover. For Evensong.

PETERCHURCH, HEREFORDS.—On May 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Taylor 1, F. Parker 2, R G. Powell (cond.) 3, L. Price 4, M. V. Powell 5, I. M Bowyer 6. Rung as a farewell to Mr. L. C. Posser, captain at this tower for the past 10 years, who is leaving the district.

PIDDINGTON, NORTHANTS.—On May 7th, 1,300 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): G. H. Bedford 1, E. Billings 2, Miss P. F. Curtis 3, B. E. Frost (cond.) 4, R. S. Roberts 5, R. J. White 6. Rung for the service of Thanksgiving, for the restoration of the church spire.

QUARTER PEALS

RADCLIFFE-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.—On April 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (with 6, 8 covering): C. Knapp 1, A. Lago 2, H. Hanson 3, S. Loach 4, L. Henson 5, E. Buxton 6, C. Burrell (cond.) 7, W. Mason 8. An 80th birthday compliment to S. Loach.

RUGELEY, STAFFS.—On April 25th, 1,260 Minor (720 Combined Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and 540 Plain Bob): C. A. Brass 1, T. Pendlebury 2, Miss C. Pendlebury 3, J. A. Townsend 4, L. Hill 5, J. H. Joyner (cond.) 6. First in 3 methods of Minor by all except the conductor. Rung after the failure of a second attempt at a peal in farewell to the Rev. H. L. H. Townshend, Vicar of Rugeley, until April 11th, when he was instituted to the living of Cannock.

SAPCOTE, LEICS.—On April 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. P. Rice 1, Mrs. M. E. Brown 2, Dorothy Page 3, W. Bradbury 4, M. E. Brown (cond.) 5, M. C. Faulks 6. For the wedding of Rosemary Stratford (ringer at this church) to George Loydall.

SAXILBY, LINCS.—On April 16th, 1,320 Minor (Single Oxford, Plain Bob): M. Keyworth 1, Miss S. Guymer 2, H. W. Cox 3, J. M. Blaikie 4, D. G. Crosby 5, J. B. Nicholson (cond.) 6. For Evensong, and a tribute to Mr. R. Crosby, deputy organist-choirmaster, who recently celebrated his 21st birthday.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.—On April 30th, 1,260 Doubles in 3 methods (Plain Bob, April Day, Grandsire): D. T. Heathcote (first away from tenor) 1, D. W. Stenson 2, M. G. Wood 3, Mrs. B. G. Warwick 4, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 5, K. H. Mildred 6. For Evensong

STREATHAM, LONDON.—On May 7th, at St. Leonard's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. M. T. Sprackling 1, J. W. Rea 2, J. Tomsett 3, W. G. Wilson 4, R. Sanders 5, K. J. Cherrill 6, M. T. Spracklin (cond.) 7, F. Ransom 8.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.—On May 7th, 1,344 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Secker 1, Miss V. Pain (first 'inside') 2, Miss G. Wild (first 'inside') 3, Miss J. Whitcher 4, D. Hawkins 5, H. Duncan 6, R. J. Chapman (cond.) 7, M. C. Austin 8. Rung for the 901 Consecration Festival of this Abbey. Also a 21st birthday compliment to K. R. Scrimshaw.

WATFORD, HERTS.—On May 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Major: P. E. Pratt 1, Rosemary S. Hawkes 2, W. G. Paul (cond.) 3, R. D. Bell 4, A. J. Hickson 5, R. G. Smith 6, D. Laud 7, R. G. Bell 8. For Commonwealth Youth Sunday service.

WEST HAM, E.—On May 14th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Miss A. Lowings 1, S. Penfold 2, Miss J. Peacock 3, J. Carrott 4, Dr. C. E. Wright 5, F. V. Gant (cond.) 6, A. J. Salisbury 7, A. Gargrave 8, T. East 9, J. McPhail 10. For Matins.

WEST WICKHAM, KENT.—On April 30th, 1,440 Surprise Minor (Ipswich and Norwich): W. A. Hughes 1, Mary Taylor 2, L. W. G. Skinner 3, J. D. Faircloth 4, A. S. Richards 5, R. E. Finch (cond.) 6. Also on May 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): L. W. G. Skinner 1, D. Manger (cond.) 2, C. H. Macve (first in 2 Doubles methods) 3, A. S. Richards 4, A. M. Macve 5.

WINCANTON, SOMERSET.—On May 13th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor (84 singles): Pat A. Burt 1, L. R. G. Taylor 2, D. J. Barnett 3, C. J. A. Brown 4, A. L. Lee (cond.) 5, J. J. Jefferies 6.

WOODDITTON, CAMBS.—On May 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Susan E. Cross (first of Royal) 1-2, A. E. Austin 3-4, A. R. Mann (first of Royal as cond.) 5-6, R. J. Palmer (first of Royal 9-10.

WOLLATON, NOTTS.—On May 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: P. Hawcock 1, J. Shonfield (first 'inside' and in method) 2, R. Daft (first as cond.) 3, P. Humphrey (first quarter) 4, J. Bird (first in method) 5, R. Benfield (first quarter) 6. For Ascension Day.

WOODSTOCK, OXON.—On April 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles with 4, 6, 8 covering): H. Floyd (cond.) 1, W. Butler 2, Diana Hollis 3, W. Franklin 4, A. Leach 5, W. Pitt 6, A. Franklin 7, T. Boyce 8.

YORK.—At the Minster, on April 16th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: C. Reeves (cond.) 1, T. M. Cox 2, Miss I. Lemare 3, F. Atkinson 4, H. Walker 5, C. F. Sutcliffe 6, L. Greenhorn 7, J. Woolford 8.

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BELFRY GOSSIP

Was the Ladies' Guild peal of Cambridge at St. John's, Leicester, overshadowed by the husbands and boy friends peal of London Major at Claybrooke? This peal was rung to show the girls that anything they can do the boys can do better. After all, a good peal of London Major is worth three ropy peals of Cambridge Royal. Thanks are due to Peter Staniforth, who arranged the peal and stood down in favour of a boy friend (his striking isn't up to much anyway!). Crunch... Two in... Three out... Four make it. That's all.

We are pleased to hear that Mr. Harold Chant is out of hospital. A welcome home peal was rung at Penistone, and another of good wishes at Cawhorne.

A band from Twerton-on-Avon rang four quarters on May 13th on the back six of rings of eight. The original party was eight ringers, but members were reduced owing to a bereavement.

Chesham, Bucks, Sunday service band are very proud of the quarter they rang on Whit Sunday. It was the first ever by an all local band and only the conductor, Mr. John A. Underwood, had rung a quarter previously.

A significant feature about the first peal on the augmented bells of Fareham, Hants, of 5,040 Plain Bob was that it was the first peal for the treble ringer and for five others the first on ten bells. Conductor John Hunt was also calling his first on ten.

As a birthday compliment to Mr. J. H. Benoy, of Lifton Down, Lifton, a quarter peal of 1,260 Grandsire Doubles was rung at St. Nonna's Church, Bradstone, on April 20th, by members of the Lifton band of the South-Western Branch of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers.

The quarter rung at Elmley Lovett on May 20th was, in fact, a peal attempt called round, owing to the rough go of the bells. It was rung on 12356, as No. 4 is too badly cracked to be rung. The bells are a pleasant toned, 17th century ring, by Henry Bagley. The tenor, reputed 18 cwt.(!), weighs about 9 cwt., and is well known locally for its oval bearings!

Saturday, May 20th, was conspicuous for two peals that made ringing history. At Norbury (Hazel Grove) the longest length of Spliced Surprise Major yet rung, consisting of 13,440 changes in 6 methods. The time taken was 7 hours 11 minutes. It was a good peal, stated the conductor, Mr. C. Kenneth Lewis, but somewhat monotonous. The other historic peal was Cambridge Surprise Royal at St. John the Divine, Leicester, for the Ladies' Guild. This was conducted by the president, Mrs. Jill Staniforth, with Miss Hilda Snowden on the tenor. There were warm congratulations to both bands at Stoke-on-Trent.

About 30 ringers tried at Stoke-on-Trent to 'snatch' a tower with only one bell!

Northleigh, Witney, bells are to be rededicated next Saturday at 6 p.m., after rehanging.

A praiseworthy effort in Spliced Surprise Minor comes from Downham, Essex, with a peal in 25 methods, conducted by Mr. Harry Turner.

Mr. R. F. B. Speed will be on holiday from June 8th to June 24th. This means that no Central Council publications will be dispatched during that period.

There is a new Warwickshire eight at St. Mary's Church, Atherstone. An open invitation is extended to all ringers to the dedication service on June 24th at 3.30 p.m.

Dr. David Heighton has now twice 'circled' the tower of St. Michael-on-the-Mount, Without, Bristol. Taking part in the peal was John C. Baldwin, who has now rung peals of Minor in one to seven methods.

Mr. A. J. Davey, of Huntingdon, wishes to thank the band at Elveden for allowing him to stand in his 50th quarter peal, his first in his native county, and especially Mr. Henry Ivings, who kindly stood down.

We are sorry to learn that Preb. E. V. Cox has had to return to the City Hospital, Exeter, where a major operation has been performed on him. We know that friends will be thinking of him and wishing him a speedy recovery.

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BISHOP AND LORD MAYOR'S CORDIAL WELCOME — CALL CHANGE RINGERS WELCOMED — TWO NEW LIFE MEMBERS — FOLKESTONE MINUTES CHALLENGED FOR ACCURACY — LIBRARY'S BUSY YEAR — ARCHBISHOP'S ENTHRONEMENT — NATIONAL RINGING DAY ON JUNE 27th

THE beautifully designed and lavishly equipped Town Hall at Stoke-upon-Trent provided most acceptable accommodation for the 64th annual meeting of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers held there on Whit Tuesday.

Opposite the Town Hall is the Parish Church of St. Peter ad Vincula and it was here than more than 100 members of the Council assembled for Holy Communion, at which the Bishop of Lichfield (the Right Rev. A. S. Reeve) was the celebrant, assisted by the Archdeacon of Stoke (the Ven. G. Youll), who is president of the North Staffordshire Association, and the Rector of Stoke (Preb. F. A. R. Chapman).

The service was followed by breakfast in the Town Hall, at which the beautiful china was much admired. The Bishop and Archdeacon were both present and the company were the guests of Stoke Parish Church. The president (Mr. Frederick Sharpe) expressed the sincere thanks of the members and their ladies to the hosts.

Proceedings in the Council Chamber, as is customary, started with welcomes from Church and State. The Lord Mayor (Mr. Gordon Dale) opened the proceedings, to be followed by the Bishop and Archdeacon. The president was accompanied by the vice-president (the Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow), and with them were the honorary secretary and assistant honorary secretary (Mr. E. A. Barnett) and the librarian (Mr. F. E. Perrens).

The Lord Mayor of Stoke, in his welcome to the Central Council, said he was sure they would find the people of Stoke-on-Trent very friendly. They were a great industrial centre, being the centre of the pottery industry for the world.

'Everyone,' said the Lord Mayor, 'likes to listen to church bells. They have been from time immemorial the Christian way of welcoming Christian people to their churches. Bells were part of their English way of life, and it was a great disappointment when they ceased to ring during the war.'

Thanking the Lord Mayor, the President said: 'We can only say "Thank you" for your sincere welcome and the delightful arrangements that have been made for our pleasure, ringing and entertainment.'

The Lord Bishop of Lichfield, on behalf of the Diocese, gave a welcome to the Council. 'As I go round the diocese,' said Dr. Reeve, 'I often hear the bells of the Church not only ringing but being rung well, and it is very heartening to see the way a number of our younger people are coming forward and showing keenness to learn the art.'

The Bishop said he felt the art of change-ringing was something particularly associated with the Church of England. He was told that there were a few towers in the country belonging to other Christian communions, but it was mainly in the Church of England that the art of change-ringing was practised. The ringing of bells gave witness to the presence of God and summoned men and women to worship Him and give their lives to His service.

'That you are ready to give time and effort to do that we thank God, and I am very glad to think that the number of ringers throughout the country is steadily growing, and in this diocese we feel very heartened about the progress being made.'

Concluding, the Bishop said he was very glad to come and celebrate Holy Communion at the Parish Church that morning and to join their members at breakfast. 'I felt that service was a great gathering of true fellowship of people devoted to the work of the Church and wanting to help it forward.'

The welcome on behalf of the North Staffordshire Association was extended by the President, the Archdeacon of Stoke (Ven. G. Youell), who mentioned that the Association got on extremely well with their Roman Catholic brethren from Cheadle.

REPRESENTATION OF SOCIETIES

The Hon. Secretary reported that 58 Associations were affiliated to the Council with 158 members. The rules provided for 24 honorary and seven life members, making a total of 184. All subscriptions had been paid, with one exception—the National Police Guild.

A NEW AFFILIATION

The Rev. John Scott, on behalf of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers, proposed that the Council accept the application of the Devon Association to affiliate to the Council. It was a great pleasure to them in Devonshire, he said, to think that the call-change side of the Exercise, with which they had been closely related, was to be affiliated to the Council.

Miss B. M. Boyle seconded and the resolution was carried.

ATTENDANCE

Ancient Society of College Youths: Messrs. J. F. Smallwood and W. Williams.

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association: Messrs. A. H. Reed, G. Salmon, H. J. Sanger and Miss N. G. Williams.

Bedfordshire Association: Messrs. S. Foskett and A. E. Rushton.

Cambridge University Guild: Dr. C. M. P. Johnson and Mr. B. D. Threlfall.

Chester Diocesan Guild: Messrs. H. O. Baker, J. W. Clarke, A. R. Elkins and J. Worth.

Coventry Diocesan Guild: Mrs. D. E. Beamish and Mr. J. L. Garner-Hayward.

Cumberland and North Westmorland Association: Mr. G. McKay.

Derbyshire Association: Messrs. G. A. Halls and A. Mould.

Devon Association: Mr. B. Bartlett

Devon Guild: Miss B. M. Boyle, Rev. J. G. M. Scott and Mr. N. Mallett.

Dudley and District Guild: Mr. H. J. Shuck.

Durham and Newcastle Association: Mr. K. Arthur.

Ely Diocesan Association: Messrs. J. G. Gipson, E. H. Mastin, D. F. Murfet and H. S. Peacock.

Essex Association: Messrs. J. H. Crampion, P. J. Eves, F. B. Lufkin and Miss H. G. Snowden.

Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association: Messrs. A. L. Barry, R. G. Hooper, W. B. Kynaston and C. A. Wratten.

Guildford Diocesan Guild: Messrs. C. W. Denyer, H. N. Pitstow and W. H. Viggers.

Hereford Diocesan Guild: Rev. E. G. Benson and Mr. A. T. Wingate.

Hertford County Association: Messrs. W. Ayre, R. G. Bell, G. W. Critchley and G. Dodds.

Irish Association: Messrs. F. E. Dukes and J. T. Dunwoody.

Kent County Association: Messrs. J. R. Cooper, P. A. Corby, T. Cullingworth and I. H. Oram.

Ladies' Guild: Miss D. E. Colgate, Mrs. A. Richardson and Mrs. P. J. Staniforth.

Lancashire Association: Messrs. P. Crook and J. Ridyard.

Leicester Diocesan Guild: Messrs. E. Morris, P. J. Staniforth and B. G. Warwick.

Lincoln Diocesan Guild: Messrs. J. Bray, G. E. Feirn, J. Freeman and J. L. Millhouse.

Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association: Mrs. D. J. King and Mr. T. M. Roderick.

London County Association: Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Rogers and Mr. W. G. Wilson.

Middlesex County Association: Messrs. F. T. Blagrove, F. W. Goodfellow, T. J. Lock and J. R. Mayne.

Midland Counties Guild: Mr. J. W. Cotton.

New South Wales Association: Mr. P. M. J. Gray.

North Staffordshire Association: Messrs. R. S. Anderson and E. H. Edge.

North Wales Association: Mr. D. H. B. Millward.

Norwich Diocesan Association: Messrs. H. W. Barrett, F. N. Golden, N. V. Harding and Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow.

Oxford Diocesan Guild: Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Barker and Mr. P. Walker.

Oxford Society: Mr. F. A. H. Wilkins.

Oxford University Society: Mr. S. J. Ivin.

Peterborough Diocesan Guild: Messrs. P. I. Chapman, E. Nobles and G. W. Jeffs.

St. David's Diocesan Guild: Mr. R. Warburton.

St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham: Messrs. G. E. Fearn and F. E. Haynes.

Salisbury Diocesan Guild: Messrs. J. T. Barrett, G. H. Harding and G. S. Morris.

Sheffield and District Society: Mr. N. Chaddock.

Shropshire Association: Messrs. R. Newton and H. Poyner.

Society of Royal Cumberland Youths: Messrs. D. Beresford and F. E. Hawthorne.

Southwell Diocesan Guild: Messrs. B. M. Buswell and D. H. Rooke.

Stafford Archdeaconry Society: Messrs. G. W. Hughes and B. G. Key.

Suffolk Guild: Messrs. J. W. Blythe and C. W. Pipe.

Surrey Association: Messrs. A. P. Cannon, F. E. Collins and W. F. Oatway.

Sussex County Association: Messrs. R. G. Blackman, R. W. R. Percy and H. Stalham.

Swansea and Brecon Guild: Mr. G. I. Lewis.

Truro Diocesan Guild: Messrs. W. C. Boucher and D. Burnett.

Universities Association: Miss M. R. Cross.

University of Bristol Society: Dr. T. P. Edwards.

University of London Society: Dr. D. N. Layton.

Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild: Mr. A. V. Davis, Rev. K. W. H. Felstead and Messrs. J. Hartless and F. W. Rogers.

Worcestershire and Districts Association: Messrs. B. C. Ashford, D. Beacham and W. B. Cartwright.

Yorkshire Association: Messrs. G. Benfield, V. Bottomley, W. E. Critchley and L. W. G. Morris.

Life members: Messrs. F. Sharpe, E. A. Barnett, F. W. Perrens, E. H. Lewis and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Fletcher.

Honorary members: Mrs. E. A. Barnett, Messrs. J. P. Fidler, A. A. Hughes, D. Hughes, C. K. Lewis, W. F. Moreton, A. J. Pitman, H. L. Roper, E. C. Shepherd, R. F. B. Speed, P. L. Taylor, A. Walker and T. W. White.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Messrs. J. E. Chilcott, C. G. J. Watts, T. G. Myers, D. A. Bayles, B. A. Sollis, E. J. Ladd, A. C. Hazelden, G. J. Lewis, J. J. Webb, F. Dunkerley, Rev. R. D. St. J. Smith, Messrs. S. Burton, T. H. Taffender, E. C. Birkett, D. J. Smith, B. Austin, W. C. West, R. St. C. Wilson, P. N. Bond, F. J. Cullum, J. D. Clarke, L. G. Brett, Miss R. J. Seabrook, Rev. A. S. Roberts, Messrs. R. Overy, H. Miles, Miss M. E. Snowdon, Mesdames C. C. Marshall and J. G. Steeples, Messrs. J. T. Dyke, F. I. Hairs, L. Stilwell and J. Willis.

NEW MEMBERS

New members presented to the President were Messrs. H. O. Baker (Chester Diocesan Guild), B. Bartlett (Devon Association), N. Mallett (Devon Guild), D. F. Murfet (Ely Diocesan Association), Rev. E. G. Benson (Hereford Diocesan Guild), Messrs. A. T. Wingate (Hereford Diocesan Guild), E. H. Edge (North Staffs Association), Mrs. A. D. Barker (Oxford Diocesan Guild), Messrs. S. J. Ivin (Oxford University), E. Nobles (Peterborough Diocesan Guild), R. Newton (Shropshire Association), J. Hartless (Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild) and W. F. Moreton (honorary member).

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CENTRAL COUNCIL—Cont.

NEW LIFE MEMBERS

On behalf of the Standing Committee, it was proposed that Mr. J. T. Dyke and Mr. A. Walker be elected life members.

Proposing the resolution, Mr. J. Frank Smallwood said the Council had very few honours to bestow on its servants, and he thought life membership was the most appropriate way of recognising the excellent work of these two stalwarts.

Mr. A. A. Hughes seconded and the resolution was carried unanimously.

Mr. A. Walker: I can only tell you how very grateful I am that you have made me a life member. I have been an honorary member for 29 years; I have met many old friends and enjoyed every minute of it.

NEW HONORARY MEMBERS

The Hon. Secretary said that Mrs. Steeples had intimated that she did not wish to be re-elected to the Standing Committee. The Standing Committee recommended that Mrs. R. F. B. Speed be elected an honorary member in recognition of the work she was doing in helping Mr. Speed in the sale of publications, and that the remaining vacancies be left unfilled.

The election of Mrs. Speed was carried on the proposition of Mr. W. F. Moreton, seconded by Mr. F. W. Perrens.

Mr. George Pipe, from Australia, attended the meeting, and on the proposal of Mr. F. E. Dukes, seconded by Mr. A. D. Barker, he was also elected an honorary member.

The President paid tribute to the work of Mrs. Steeples in connection with the library and her assistance to him in connection with the clerical work associated with his office as President.

LOSSES BY DEATH

The members stood as the following list of past and present members who had died since the last meeting were remembered: Messrs. Edward W. Biffen (Devon Guild), Fredk. M. Mitchell (Kent County Association), Albert E. Lock (Oxford Diocesan Guild), Frank Skidmore (Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association), Chas. H. Woodberry (Worcestershire & Dists. Association), George Gilbert (Society of Royal Cumberland Youths), Chas. H. Hawkins (St. David's Diocesan Guild), John L. S. Glanville (Devon Guild), James Parker (Sussex County Association and Society of Royal Cumberland Youths), John R. Sharman (Middlesex Association), John A. Freeman (Lincoln Diocesan Guild), W. E. Yates (Oxford Diocesan Guild), Adolphus Roberts (Warwickshire Guild), F. Colclough (Dudley and District Guild) and Fredk. Smale.

Since the last meeting the dates of death of the following past members had become known to the Council: Dr. Lewis Mackenzie (Devon Guild, died October 30th, 1942), Rev. Thomas S. Curteis (Kent County Association, March 19th, 1913), Rev. Augustus C. Lee (Hereford Diocesan Guild, January 14th, 1934), Ernest F. Poppy (Suffolk Guild, October 24th, 1939), Tom Redman (Lancashire Association, March 29th, 1942).

TRIBUTES

The Rev. John Scott paid tribute to three Devonshire ringers—Ted W. Biffen, John Glanville and Fredk. Smale. All three, he said, were fine ringers, tremendous teachers of learners and wonderful churchmen. Mr. J. Bray, in a tribute to Mr. John A. Freeman, Master of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, said he was a very sincere churchman, a kindly friend and a man of great wisdom. They were missing him very much.

Mr. A. D. Barker referred to Mr. Albert Lock, a very faithful servant of the Oxford Guild, serving for many years as a Branch secretary. Of Mr. George Gilbert he said he did a lot of good work wherever he went.

Mr. W. B. Kynaston, in a tribute to Mr. Frank Skidmore, said when he took over the secretaryship of the Gloucester and Bristol Association it was not in a very good position, and it was almost entirely due to him that they were in a much stronger position today.

Mr. I. H. Oram referred to the long services to the Kent County Association of Mr. F. M. Mitchell as secretary from 1929 to 1946, and he was also treasurer of that period and continued so until 1956.

Mr. C. K. Lewis spoke of the reputation of Mr. James Parker, the father of one who was a most efficient secretary of the Council.

Mr. A. A. Hughes mentioned the passing of Mr. Alfred B. Peck recently, whom he had known for 55 years.

Mr. W. J. Clarke called attention to the passing of Mr. Langford, who had been the mainstay of the Crewe Branch for a very long time.

Mr. A. V. Davis, in a reference to Mr. Martin Stewart, said although he was principally associated with the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild were very grateful for his help.

ONE QUESTION FROM THE MINUTES

After the minutes of the Folkestone Council meeting had been adopted, on the proposition of the Hon. Secretary, seconded by Mr. Leslie Morris, Mr. Denis Beresford rose to say that the minutes were not correct inasmuch as the peal of Minimus referred to in the Peals Analysis Committee's report was not accepted. The report was proposed by the convener as published, and this report did not make any mention of the peal of Minimus. The Standing Committee proposed the adoption of the report, with the exclusion of the peal of Minor and the inclusion of the Minimus peal. The peal of Minor was voted on and the Minimus was not.

The President: You are, in fact, asking us to say that the minutes are not correct?

Mr. Walter Ayre: It is quite correct what Mr. Beresford says. That is why, when you come to the Peal Analysis Committee's report, Minimus is referred to as a performance and not counted in the peal total.

Mr. Beresford: We tried to raise it at the end of the last meeting as there was a lot of confusion on the floor.

Mr. R. S. Anderson moved and the Rev. John Scott seconded, that the committee pass on to the next business and this was agreed to.

REPORT OF THE HON. SECRETARY

Mr. E. A. Barnett reported: The past year was relatively uneventful as far as special activities were concerned, although the usual crop of enquiries from the public was received. These included one from a Swedish gentleman, who will be paying a visit to this country in July, sponsored by the British Council. I am grateful to Mr. Ernest Morris for dealing with another query from the British Information Service in Berlin.

The reissue of the gramophone record of 5 Spliced Surprise Major on handbells, made at Bushey before the war, proved extremely successful, and at the time of writing only a handful remain of the 200 which were purchased.

Correspondence was exchanged with the Archbishop of Canterbury and others during the progress through Parliament of the Noise Abatement Bill.

Mr. W. N. Park, who kindly prepared the accounts of 'The Ringing World' during the past three years, has unfortunately been unable to continue doing so and I should like to record my thanks to him for his assistance. It has now been agreed that this major task should be undertaken professionally.

Some difficulty has been occasioned because certain Association secretaries fail to notify changes in their representation. Would all concerned please note Rule 5 (iv) (as renumbered in 1960) requires the names and addresses of new representatives to be forwarded to the secretary of the Council forthwith.

Lastly, my thanks are yet again due to Mr. W. G. Wilson and Miss C. L. Groves for typing and duplicating these papers.

This was adopted.

REPORT OF THE HON. LIBRARIAN

Mr. F. W. Perrens reported: As was to be expected, the sale of publications this year has not reached last year's outstanding record, but nevertheless it is over two and a half times the average for the eight years previous to 1959. This increase is due largely to the continued demand for the 'Beginners' Handbook,' although the sale of many other publications has shown a marked increase. 'On Conducting' was reprinted during the year, after being revised by Mr. W. G. Wilson, to whom our thanks are due, and copies sold showed an increase of nearly fifty per cent on last year.

It is to be regretted that the hope we built up last year, based on the Methods Committee's report, of having the 'Collection of Minor Methods' on sale during the year has not materialised.

For gifts to the library, we thank most warmly Mr. E. H. Lewis for a copy of 'De Nio Marlarna'—Dorothy Sayers ('The Nine Tailors'), for beautifully bound copies of the 1677, 1702, 1733 and 1766 editions of Campanologia Improved, and for Clavis—Campanologia, 1788, and the Cambridge University Guild for two copies of its history, 1929-1954.

We also tender our thanks to Mr. E. C. Shepherd for a further supply of 'Grandsire Caters,' to Mr. J. Segar for a supply of 'Spliced Triples' and 'Blue Line Proof,' and to Mr. F. E. Dukes for sending us copies of 'The Irish Bell News.'

I conclude, as usual, but none the less sincerely, with a well-earned tribute to Mr. R. F. B. Speed for his work in connection with the sales section of the library. The Exercise is greatly indebted to Mr. and Mrs. Speed for housing a large stock of publications and for the efficient manner in which the work is done.

Sales during the year: Method sheets—Cambridge 23, D.N.C.B. 37, Stedman and Grandsire 45; Preservation of Bells 141, Four Way Minor Table 63, Handbell ringing 131, Major Compositions 57, Collection of Peals, Section III 16, Report of Conference, S.P.A.B. 4, Doubles Methods 157, Model Rules 37, Village Bells 129, Card of Instruction—Care of Bells 227, Plain Major Methods 67, Methods Committee Report 20, On Conducting 170, Handbook 71, Electrical Switchgear Card 2, Grandsire Caters 58, Beginners' Handbook 1,662, Total 3,117.

Mr. F. E. Perrens, moving the adoption, said the Collection of Minor Methods was now in the hands of the printers and they hoped it would be available in the near future.

Mr. E. H Lewis, in an explanation of his gift, said there was a firm in Stockholm that printed translated books. Miss Sayers took the view that it was quite impossible to translate 'The Nine Tailors.' Finally, a Miss Burgeaud was appointed to undertake the work and he was asked to help. He took Miss Burgeaud to a local practice and also to St. Paul's. The book was published as a paper back and he had it rebound.

As to the other books, Mr. Lewis said he intended that his books should come to the Central Council, but now he had a granddaughter who had started to ring. He suggested that if any books he was presenting were duplicates, the Council should keep the better copies and the others would be available for his granddaughter.

The president thanked Mr. Lewis for his gift, and the report was adopted.

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CENTRAL COUNCIL—Cont.

TRUSTEES OF THE CARTER RINGING MACHINE

Messrs. A. Walker and A. A. Hughes report: There were no requests for demonstrations during the year, and no open demonstrations were given. The machine was tested towards the end of the year and a fault found in some of the original electrical insulation, which was replaced. Following this a mechanical fault developed, but this is not of a serious nature and it is anticipated that it will be eradicated before this report is put before the meeting.

Mr. A. Walker proposed and Mr. A. A. Hughes seconded the adoption of the report. Mr. Douglas Hughes informed the Council that the machine was now working properly and the report was adopted.

STANDING COMMITTEE

Presenting the report of the Standing Committee the honorary secretary said that Mr. Harry Miles, the trustee of the roll of honour, had resigned with effect from December 31st. The Standing Committee recommended that Mr. H. N. Pitstow be elected a trustee in place of Mr. Miles.

Mr. G. W. Fletcher seconded and this was agreed to.

The president spoke in appreciation of Mr. Miles' work in connection with the roll, which included the compilation. Unfortunately, he had not been well and they would like to send him their best wishes and hopes that his health would soon be normal.

LETTER TO THE ARCHBISHOP

The honorary secretary said the Standing Committee considered the retirement of Dr. Fisher as Archbishop of Canterbury and proposed that a letter should be sent to him from the Council with their best wishes. The proposed letter read:

'At the annual meeting of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers on Whitsun Tuesday, I was instructed to convey to Your Grace, on behalf of the members and of the ringers generally, our best wishes to Mrs. Fisher and yourself for a long and happy retirement.

'We remember, with gratitude, Your Grace's keen interest in our art, to which you have frequently given expression by your presence in the belfries of the churches up and down the land.'

Mr. R. G. Blackman seconded and the letter was approved for submission to His Grace.

RINGING ON ENTHRONEMENT DAY

The honorary secretary said a suggestion had been made by Mr. Birmingham, not a member of the Council, that a manifesto should be issued by the Council for ringing on the occasion of the enthronement of Dr. Ramsey as Archbishop of Canterbury. The Standing Committee recommended that the enthronement of Dr. Ramsey as Archbishop of Canterbury on Tuesday, June 27th, was an occasion which all ringers should observe and on which they should ring the bells. The proposal was that the president should insert the following letter in 'The Ringing World': 'The enthronement of Dr. Ramsey as Archbishop of Canterbury on Tuesday, June 27th, is an occasion which, I feel confident, all ringers will regard as their duty to recognise. May I express the hope that, so far as possible, the bells of every church will be rung at some time during the day and that many peals and quarter peals will be attempted either on the day or as soon afterwards as practicable.

'I would urge ringers to see that all possible publicity is given locally, preferably beforehand, to the ringing, thus bringing to the notice of the general public our part in this important event in the life of the Church.'

Mr. E. C. Shepherd moved and Mr. A. D. Barker seconded, that the letter be published and this was agreed to.

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PERSONALITIES OF THE EXERCISE – 22



MRS. JACQUELINE S. KING,

Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association.

A lady who has helped very considerably to further the interests of ringing in the Llandaff and Monmouth Association is Mrs. Jacqueline S. King (née Evans), of Chepstow, Monmouthshire. Her enthusiasm, coupled with that of her husband, David J. King, whom she married on June 8th, 1957, has inspired others. Indeed, they spent their honeymoon attending the Central Council meeting at Chelmsford, and have never lived such madness down with their many friends! Their romance was a 'first and last.' They started school together at 5, went to Chepstow Grammar School, rang their first peal together, and have since jointly rung over 100 peals.

Jacqueline was born in Chepstow on January 6th, 1930. Her first lessons in the belfry were given her by Mr. John Sims in 1948, but she soon entered St. Mary's College, Cheltenham, for training as a school teacher. At this centre of ringing, she was able to learn change ringing, and will always be very grateful to the local ringers for their unfailing patience and encouragement. She remembers, especially, Mr. Thomas Boreham and Mr. Leslie Barry, of Gloucester, who called her first peal at Hardwick, near Gloucester—Grandsire Doubles, on April 15th, 1950—for their invaluable help and interest in her progress. In fact, she feels she owes most of her early progress to Leslie Barry, an untiring 'spade-worker,' who was never too busy to arrange peals in the humbler methods, and who must have called as many 'first peals' of Grandsire Doubles and Plain Bob Minor as any ringer in the Exercise.

After leaving Cheltenham, she taught for a while at Bishop's Cleeve, and later took an appointment at Sudbrook School, near Chepstow, where she has taught for 11 years. Her present total of peals is 130, rung in many methods, from Doubles to Cinques, and for a good number of Associations. She has the distinction of being the first lady to ring 100 peals for the Llandaff and Monmouth Association, and was also their first lady Master. One peal in which she is very proud to have taken part was Grandsire Cinques at St. Woolos', Newport, on March 8th, 1952, conducted by Jack Worrall. This is the only 12-bell peal rung, so far, by twelve resident members of her Association. Two small boys of 13 took part—Bryn Parry and James Fitzgerald—unfortunately long since departed from the Exercise. She has been secretary of the Monmouth Branch of the Association since this Branch was formed in 1953, and has been a Central Council representative since 1954. For the Ladies' Guild she started the South Wales District in 1953, and has been its secretary ever since.

Jacqueline, who is a very 'stylish' bell-handler, is happiest when teaching learners, and for the last 10 years has been training boys and girls at Chepstow. Like most instructors, she admits to having more failures than successes, but 'hope springs eternal,' and at the moment she has a band of a dozen children, who, with some older stalwarts, keep the fine new ring of 10 bells going Sunday by Sunday.

Her husband, David, is employed as an electro-medical engineer by Messrs. J. Otley-Rhodes, of Newport, and his work takes him away from home quite a lot. He is a good ringer and conductor, and so far has scored 122 peals, of which he has conducted 38. Like his wife, he is a great asset to his Association, and the Exercise at large will watch with interest the future impact which this happy couple will make on the activities of their Association. Good luck to them!

APACE.

FORTY YEARS IN HIGHCLERE TOWER

Highclere, Hants, band are proud of their vice-captain, Mr. 'Bill' Kewell, who has given the tower 40 years of loyal service. The anniversary was not allowed to pass. At the practice meeting on May 3rd, the Rector and his wife entered the tower and in the presence of 12 of his fellow ringers Bill was presented with an eight day clock.

A further surprise for him occurred on the following Saturday, when he was the guest of honour of a complete Highclere band's outing. Ringing took place at Stanford, Dingley, Lower Basildon, Streatley, Aldworth, Hamstead Norris and Compton.

By the kind co-operation of Winchester Cathedral ringers, a visit to the Cathedral had also been arranged. This provided Bill and seven others of the Highclere band with their first ring on 12 bells. May he carry on for another 40 years!

G. D.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

After a lapse of 10 years the Eastern Branch met at Ranworth, known to many thousands of visitors as the 'Cathedral of the Broads,' on April 22nd. In his address at the service, the Vicar (the Rev. E. Everard) gave a brief history of the church and its treasures.

At the business meeting, Mr. E. R. Goate, Branch chairman, warmly welcomed to the meeting Mr. H. W. Lidbetter, after the latter's illness, and visitors from Suffolk and Hertfordshire. The chairman also gave the Branch's congratulations to Bevan Willgress and Freda Greaves on their recent engagement. Thomas J. Brock and John W. Sampson, of Kessingland, were elected ringing members. Ringing was under the direction of Miss D. Lidbetter, Branch Ringing Master. Next meeting, Pakefield, July 15th.

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THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Yorkshire Association was held in the historic city of York on May 13th, and attracted a large gathering, representing each of the four Districts. Ringing at the Minster took place at intervals, and good use was also made of the rings of six at Acomb and York Institute of Architectural Study. Many members attended the family Diocesan service in the Minster, at which the address was given by the Archbishop.

Following an excellent tea at the Railway Institute, the business meeting was held, at which the chair was taken by the president, Archdeacon C. O. Ellison, supported by the general secrtary (Mr. L. W. G. Morris), the honorary treasurer (Mr. G. Benfield) and the honorary peal secretary (Mr. W. E. Critchley).

Apologies for absence were received from Messrs. J. H. Lenton, W. Barton, P. Scholfield, B. Sutton, H. Chant, H. Lawn, A. E. Marsh, J. Rhodes, Mrs. C. C. Marshall and Mrs. J. Dawson.

A vote of thanks to the Dean of York and Minster authorities, the Vicar of Acomb, and the authorities of the York Institute of Architectural Study for the use of the bells was ably moved by Mr. I. Slack, seconded by Mr. N. Chaddock, and carried with acclamation, and a similar vote of thanks to the York Minster Society and others concerned with the excellent arrangements for this meeting was carried on the motion of Mr. L. M. Woodhead, seconded by Mr. W. F. Moreton. Mr. H. Walker replied.

HIGHER COSTS

In presenting the committee's report, the president drew attention to the increasing cost of producing the report, which was causing some anxiety. Consultation with the printers had resulted in a reduction of the number of pages, and the committee hoped that such alterations that had been made in its format would be accepted by the members in the interests of economy. Membership showed a net increase of 18, and while the financial loss on the year's working was in the region of some £27, this was in no way due to a falling-off in income, but to an unavoidable increase in expenditure accounted for by the printing of the reports, the renewal of receipt books and Association badges of new design, the bulk of which remains in stock.

Among those who had passed away during the year were the Rev. A. L. Minns, a founder member of the Halifax Archdeaconry Society, Mr. A. B. Cook, of Hull, former secretary of the Eastern District, Mr. George Horner, of York, who joined the Minster Society in 1898 and played a leading part in organising the pre-war Snowdon dinners, when held in York, Mr. J. A. Freeman, Master of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild.

The annual Snowdon dinner took place at Rotherham and proved highly successful, being attended by some 151 ringers and friends. It was a most enjoyable occasion, and reflected very great credit on the responsible organisers. The 1961 dinner would be held at Bradford, on October 14th, when it is hoped to include in the arrangements a visit to Ilkley, home of the late Jasper W. Snowdon, founder and first president of the Association, for a ring on the bells, and to see his grave and memorial window.

PEAL STANDARD HIGHER

The peal secretary's report showed that 147 peals had been rung during the year, 132 being on tower bells at 77 churches, and 15 on handbells. Thirty-four members had rung their first peal, two their first handbell peal and eight had conducted a peal for the first time. The standard of performance was in the ascendancy, being particularly reflected in the fields of Minor and Spliced Surprise Major ringing. Peals of Spliced Minor had been rung in 74 and 98 methods respectively, the latter being the greatest number of methods rung in a tower bell peal by the Association. Worthy of note was the progress made by the Sunday service bands at All Souls' Church, Halifax, and Bradford Cathedral; Spliced Surprise Major now being regularly rung at each tower for Sunday services as well as Surprise Royal at Bradford. During the year a peal of Spliced Surprise Major in eight methods, with all the work of each method for every bell, was successfully accomplished by the Halifax band, being the 'first ever' in eight methods on this plan to be recorded by a local band; and, with one exception, a similar performance in five methods was rung by the Bradford Cathedral band, which included three juniors.

The report concludes by thanking the officers, who contribute so much time, energy and skill to the affairs of the Association, and sums up by saying that the year under review has been one of solid achievement, and given the continued loyal support of the membership, the future can be anticipated with every confidence. The report was unanimously adopted on the motion of Mr. W. F. Moreton, seconded by Mr. F. A. Munday.

MR. V. BOTTOMLEY NEW TREASURER

With sincere regret and a very great sense of loss the meeting accepted the resignation of Mr. Gordon Benfield, the honorary treasurer for the past nine years. Mr. Benfield said he very much regretted he was unable to stand for re-election due to considerable additional studies he had undertaken. He had thoroughly enjoyed the work, which had been mitigated by the loyal co-operation of his fellow officers and members, but he did not feel justified in continuing to hold office in the knowledge that he could no longer conscientiously devote the time to follow it. He would be glad, however, to give what help and advice he could to his successor. A vote of thanks to Mr. Benfield for his loyal and devoted services to the Association was unanimously accorded on the motion of the president, seconded by Mr. I. Slack.

On the motion of Mr. N. Chaddock, seconded by Mr. S. H. Steel, Mr. Vernon Bottomley was unanimously elected to succeed Mr. Benfield. In acknowledgement, Mr. Bottomley thanked the members for their confidence, adding that he would do his best to maintain the high standards set by his predecessor. Mr. W. E. Critchley was unanimously re-elected honorary peal secretary on the motion of Mr. J. Seager, seconded by Mr. P. Whitaker.

It was decided to accept an invitation to hold the next meeting at Goole on September 24th.

The following new members were elected: Messrs. D. Cowman, J. Barrow and D. Mayhew, of Idle, R. Farnworth, of Dore, P. Hart, D. Barker, J. Fishwick, of St. Giles', Pontefract, D. Williams, of Rotherham, E. Ivan Parkin, of All Souls', Halifax, and as out-county members C. Longden, of Chesterfield, F. Miller, of Ashover, and F. Ellis, Herts.

This concluded the business, and further ringing was enjoyed on the Minster and other available bells.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN

Cary Branch

The spring quarterly meeting of the Cary Branch was held at North Cadbury, on April 29th. The service at the Parish Church was conducted by the Rector, Rev. S. M. Collier, assisted by the Branch chairman, Rev. G. S. Robinson.

Tea was served in the Village Hall, during which the members were entertained to a tape recording of the bells of many towers, compiled by the late Preb. Martin Willson and Mr. H. J. Sanger.

At the business meeting four new members from North Cadbury and two from Pitcombe were elected. Votes of thanks were extended to the Rector, the organist and choir, the ladies who had served tea and to Mr. W. A. Osborn, the local captain. Full use of the bells was made until 9 p.m.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT

About 40 members, including visitors from Calverley, Scunthorpe and Derby, attended the Sheffield and District Society meeting at Dronfield on May 6th. Methods rung ranged from Plain Bob to Cambridge, Yorkshire and London Surprise Major.

The cup contest will be held at Wentworth on June 3rd. E. C.

LETTERS

COUNTING PLACES

Dear Sir.—Mr. Aitch submits a very good question, when he asks how does one count the place of one's bell. It was a question which puzzled me in my early days as a ringer and, like him, I was never given a straight answer. Text books on ringing are singularly lacking in imparting information on this vital point; you can read page after page on how to handle a bell and then be suddenly flung neck and crop into the technicalities of Plain Bob.

I tried the system of counting all the bells and putting emphasis on the place I occupied. I tried it on and off for eight years and got nowhere—the system is worse than useless. Eventually, I took the lazy way out and just counted the position I was in and ignored the other bells, i.e., I counted 3-4-5-6-6-5-6, and so on, for Bob Minor on the third.

For the learner, especially if he has not yet learned to detect the note of his own bell, let alone those of the others, this is the only way to learn change ringing (in less than eight years).

Of course, as the learner progresses he must try to listen not only to his own bell but to the others as well, in order to make sure his striking is accurate, but I maintain even then he need not consciously count more than the place of his own bell.—Yours, etc.,

Derby. G. A. HALLS.

GOOD ROUNDS BEFORE CHANGE RINGING

Dear Sir,—In certain parts of the country, especially in the towers with eight or more bells, the learners are not properly taught. A bell rope is pushed into their hands, and when they can manage to catch the sally they are regarded as being proficient enough to go on to rounds. At this stage they develop bad habits in the handling of a bell, which are often completely ignored by the instructor, in the hope that they will 'grow out' of them.

Now, before good or even reasonably well-struck rounds has been rung by the learner, he is further pushed ahead of his true capabilities as a ringer, and rings the treble to Bob Minor, Major and then 'inside.' Within a few weeks he is 'ringing' Cambridge 'inside,' at the same standard of striking as he achieved ringing rounds!

As a result, he becomes, for the better part of his ringing life, a thoroughly bad striker: he is shunned at meetings, and finally gives up ringing. And why? Because he was taught by a selfish instructor, who had wanted his pupil to attain a high standard of ringing within a few months of first learning. I may be old-fashioned, but I believe that every little rung in the ringing ladder, starting from the very bottom, must be successfully climbed before reaching the top. Then, and **only** then, will we make the necessary progress in our ringing.

Finally, may I say that, in my opinion, the above is uncommon in the five and six bell towers, and it is this fact which merited my argument in a previous letter. So may I make a plea to all instructors, **please** let us have good rounds before change ringing, and the perfection of Plain Bob before Stedman and Cambridge.—Yours sincerely.

JOHN PLADDYS.

West Hartlepool.

'RINGING FOR SERVICE'

Dear Sir.—The above Central Council publication is a guide to the efficient organisation of the Sunday service band and we are anxious that it shall find its way into towers where there are bells, but few or no ringers. Since it is less likely to come to the notice of those responsible for such towers than those in flourishing towers, we appeal to association secretaries to try and see that copies do get into towers which are out of touch with the ringing fraternity. This can be done by obtaining copies from the librarian and disposing of them where thought appropriate in the Association area. We think that tower leaders will find this booklet very useful in encouraging their bands along the right lines. —Yours, etc.,

N. CHADDOCK,
Convener, Sunday Service
Ringing Committee.

NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

The Society has had an ambitious, enthusiastic and extremely successful year, stated Mr. Bruce Grainger, chairman and Master of the Nottingham University Society, in opening the Society's annual general meeting on May 9th.

Looking back over the year, he said that by far the greatest advance came when, late in November, the bells at the Church of All Saints, which serves the largest parish in the city of Nottingham, were heard again after lying silent for some 45 years. Members had spent much time preparing the eight for inspection by Mr. P. L. Taylor, president of the Society, in the hope that they would be safe to ring again.

The amount of money spent on restoring the bells amounted merely to a few shillings, and when it was found that no harm would come, either to members or to the tower, the Society was delighted to accept an invitation from the Vicar to take responsibility for all ringing in the future. Regular ringing began at the beginning of the spring term—touches of Surprise Major being quite common on Sunday evenings. At the same time a number of friends from the parish started to learn and we look forward to them ringing on their own in the near future.

Membership this year had been greater than ever before, due chiefly to the arrival in October of a number of ready-made and extremely able ringers coming up to the University for the first time. There had been two outings: the one when some good ringing was enjoyed on an afternoon's tour of five towers, the other a visit to Loughborough and the bell foundry, when a splendid lunch (which was generously given by Mr. Taylor) was enjoyed. In February the Society's first annual dinner was attended by 60 friends and guests, who, in the afternoon, had the opportunity of visiting no less than eight towers in and around the city. Three peals had been rung to date—not a large number perhaps, but for at least one person in each of these a worthwhile aim had been achieved.

Following the reports, the chairman introduced an amendment to the constitution by which graduates (and others) leaving the University may become life members. In a few years he hoped the Society would be eligible for representation on the Central Council, but first the amendment would have to be approved by the Students' Union.

Looking forward to October and the beginning of a new session, the election of new officers was: Chairman and Master, David W. Friend, whose home is at Gnosall, Staffs; secretary, Miss Barbara Marsh (London); treasurer, David Orledge (Wincanton, Somerset); and committee members, Miss Deborah Hopkins (Bedford) and Kenneth W. Price (Bristol).

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY

The annual meeting of the University of London Society was held on May 6th, with over 40 members attending.

Ringing commenced, after a short battle with a local pigeon, at St. James', Clerkenwell, where the magnificent tone of the bells was much appreciated by those who had made the effort to leave their beds before noon.

After refuelling at various hostelries throughout London, the Society rang at St. Mary's, Rotherhithe, by now well known to resident members. It was here that a recently married member of the Society exhibited her strength whilst ringing the second-bell—but we understand the bells are now ringable once more.

The bells of St. George's, Borough, were then rung at all conceivable speeds before the Society met for the service at St. Olave's, Hart Street, which was conducted by the Rector.

After an enjoyable tea, the business meeting proceeded with customary smoothness. The following officers were elected: Master, Douglas May; honorary secretary, Gay Williams, College Hall, Malet Street, London, W.C.1; honorary treasurer, Paul Cattermole.



ALL SAINTS', NOTTINGHAM.

OUTINGS

BIGGLESWADE DISTRICT

On May 13th the ringers of the Biggleswade District had a very enjoyable day's outing in the Tamworth area.

On this glorious spring day the countryside looked very beautiful indeed, and before we had finished admiring it we arrived at Coleshill, where we were met by Mr. W. C. Rhodes who announced that the bells were 'up.' The church was full of interest for ringers and non-ringers alike, and so, indeed, was St. Editha's, Tamworth, whose majestic tower can be seen for many miles, in almost any direction. Here we were met by Mr. G. H. Peers, who is justly proud of the excellent 'go' and pleasant tone of the bells.

After lunch, a short run brought us to Polesworth, where we were welcomed by Mr. Harper, who showed us the treasures of this ancient and lovely church. Next came the pleasant and easy going eight at Nuneaton, where Mr. W. R. Beebe 'did the honours,' and where a most enjoyable hour's ringing was followed by the ever-welcome cup of tea!

Bedworth's handy eight followed, and then our last tower, Bulkington, where Mr. Hindle welcomed us, and where we were delighted to find the order of the day maintained—the bells were 'up' and ready!

A very pleasant outing and some very fair ringing, ranging from rounds for the learners to London for those who are still learning! The thanks of all are tendered to those who made us so welcome, to Messrs. C. M. Smith and Michael Callow, who helped with the arrangements, and finally, and most heartily, to our organiser, Mr. L. H. Bywaters.

A. E. R.

PORTBURY, SOMERSET

On May 6th, the Portbury ringers, reinforced by friends from Backwell and Bristol, enjoyed a half day outing in North-East Somerset. The sixes at Publow and Compton Dando were rung, prior to tea at Farmborough, and afterwards Farmborough (6), High Littleton (6) and Hinton Blewett bells were put to good use.

M. J. H.

STOP PRESS FLASH.—Baldock ringers coach caught fire during outing to Berks/Oxon border May 27th.

BROMHAM, BEDS

April 22nd saw the start of 'the season' for Bedfordshire ringing outings, with the Bromham ringers venturing into Wiltshire. First came Wootton Bassett, followed by the fine church and bells at Calne.

Lunch was according to individual arrangements, but practically all the party converged on the same restaurant at Devizes and an excellent lunch they served. Afterwards came the beautiful bells of St. John's Church and later the bells of Amesbury (and also tea). On the homeward journey there were stops for ringing at two Berkshire towers, Hungerford and Wantage, the latter being probably the most enjoyable ringing of the day.

Thanks are expressed to the organiser and the towers concerned for a happy time.

WIMBLEDON

April 29th saw the start of another Wimbledon outing—when local ringers and friends visited towers in Kent. Ringing commenced at Chislehurst (Annunciation)—an excellent ring. Apart from stops for coffee, lunch, tea and fish and chips, other towers visited included Rochester (10), Sittingbourne, Throwley, New Romney, Kilndown and Tunbridge Wells. Although the ringing, which ranged from rounds to Cambridge Major, was rather like the 'curate's egg,' a good time was had by all, with excellent company and food. The day culminated with the announcement of secretary's engagement!

Our sincere thanks to all who made the day possible.

M. H. S.

SS. PETER AND PAUL, EDENBRIDGE

A very enjoyable outing into Buckinghamshire was had by ringers and friends from Edenbridge, on April 29th.

There was pre-coffee ringing on the very nice eight at Beaconsfield (21 cwt.). At the delightful village of Amersham the mellow, rich tone of the six bells of St. Mary's seemed to fill every corner of the belfry.

Continuing our journey through a picturesque countryside we came to Monks Risborough, where the six bells of St. Dunstan's (13 cwt.), did not go as easily as was expected. The famous landmark of St. Lawrence's, West Wycombe, proved a great attraction, as was the top of the tower with its remarkable view.

After a light six (6 cwt.) at Holy Trinity, Lane End, we rang at Marlow, and also sat down to a most welcome tea. Our last tower was All Saints', Marlow, where the churchyard stretches to the very banks of Ol' Father Thames. The grandeur of the deeply wooded hills in the country around makes this a truly beautiful setting for a church. Here the bells (8, 15 cwt.) proved to be the finest ring of the day.

On behalf of the 37 ringers and friends, Mr. Beck, choirmaster at Edenbridge, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Brian Jeffrey for arranging this successful outing.

R. A. L.

READING UNIVERSITY

At the annual general meeting of the Reading University Society of Change Ringers the following were elected for the session 1961-62: Master, John Manley (St. David's Hall); secretary, Frederick J. Sage (St. Patrick's Hall); treasurer, Brian Shingler (St. Patrick's Hall).

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HOLMES.—On May 9th, 1961, to Eva and Bill Holmes, Edenham, Bourne, Lincs, a son, Andrew Michael. 8335

LININGTON.—On May 24th, 1961, at 7, Hermes Road, Helston, Cornwall, to Pamela and Douglas, a daughter (Elspeth), a sister for Andrew. 8334

WILLIAMSON.—On May 26th, 1961, to Gillian (nee Anderson Smith) and Paul Williamson, a daughter (Clare Honor), a sister for Michael and Peter. 8314

PERSONAL

'I KNOW ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?' (I Cor. iii, 16.)

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MISCELLANEOUS

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL. — Monthly practices, Saturday, June 10th, 7.30-9 p.m. and July 22nd, 7-8.30 p.m. 8308

RAMBLING RINGERS TOUR.—July 29th to August 19th, Glos/Somerset area. Would all those going or wishing to go, please contact William A. Lacey, 99, Hollow Road, Anstey, Leicester, for the amended tour list. Please enclose S.A. envelope. 8292

ST. MARY'S, RICKMANSWORTH.—No ringing until further notice, as bells being rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.—Hatchett. 8296

ST NICHOLAS' PARISH CHURCH, GREAT YARMOUTH.—Now that the church has been reconsecrated will all intending visitors please note they will be most welcome to ring with us at the following times: Sundays 10.30-11 a.m. and 5.45-6.30 p.m.: also on practice nights, which, on and from June 14th, will be Wednesdays 7-9 p.m.—A. G. Wigmore, Master. 8328

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Contributions may be addressed to:
The Chichester Cathedral Bells Fund
('Ringing World' Appeal),
The Deanery, Chichester. 8287

MEETINGS

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—Meeting at Harrold, on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Special methods: Double Court, London Surprise and Rounds. All welcome.—R. L. P. 8278

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Peak District.—Meeting, June 3rd, at Eyam. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—G. Richardson, Dis. Sec. 8277

DEVONSHIRE GUILD OF RINGERS.—Exeter Branch.—Practice meeting. The following towers, on Saturday evening, June 3rd: Rewe (6) 6-7 o'clock; Stoke Canon (6) 7.30-8.30 p.m.—G. Skinner, 38, Manston Road, Exeter. 8322

ELY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ely District.—Meeting, March, Saturday, June 3rd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. 8271

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Practice, Bentley (6), Saturday, June 3rd, 6-9 p.m. 8304

HERTFORD COUNTY SSSOCIATION.—Watford District.—Saturday June 3rd, Bushey Heath (8), 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to F. Morris, 7, Vera Road, Bushey Heath. Tel.: Bus 1207.—G. W. Seaman, Dis. Sec. 8258

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—By-meeting at Ash-by-Wrotham, Saturday, June 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Muller, School House, Ash, Sevenoaks. 8233

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—A by-meeting will be held at Seal and Seal Chart on June 3rd. Bells of both towers available at 3 p.m. Service at Seal at 4.15. Tea at 5 p.m. Please notify for tea to Mr. E. Drawbridge, 7, Zambra Way, Seal, Sevenoaks. 8245

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Cup contest meeting at Wentworth, 3 p.m., Saturday, June 3rd. Both, full teas or cups of tea available. Names for tea to Mrs. A. Lill, George and Dragon Hotel, Wentworth, Rotherham, please.—J. Seager, Sec. 8255

SUFFOLK GUILD.—S.W. District.—Meeting at Polstead (6), Saturday, June 3rd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. C. Woods, 'Broomside,' Polstead, Colchester, Essex. 8216

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Practice meeting, Saturday, June 3rd, Slaugham (8). Bells 3-4.30 p.m. (only). Please bring picnic tea. Ringing, Lower Beeding, 6-8 p.m.—E. L. Hairs, Dis. Sec. 8236

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station), on Monday, June 5th, 7 p.m. 8295

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Dunster Branch.—Ten bell practice at Minehead, June 10th, 6.30 p.m.—A. R. Tudball. 8321

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Crewkerne Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Crewkerne, Saturday, June 10th. Please notify early for tea to J. T. Locke, honorary secretary, School Street, Drayton. 8312

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Biggleswade District) and ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (Huntingdon District).—Joint meeting, Eaton Socon, Saturday, June 10th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Special methods: Yorkshire and Stedman. Everyone welcome.—A. Smith and M. Dyer, Dis. Secs. 8309

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting. Rise (5), Saturday, June 10th, from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday, June 8th, to Mr. C. W. Gray-Nicholson, Hind's House, Park Farm, Rise, Skirlaugh, Hull. 8297

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—West Hartlepool (St. Oswald's), Saturday, June 10th, 3 p.m. Names for tea not later than Wednesday, June 7th, to Mr. John Clouston, 47, Broomhill Gardens, West Hartlepool. 8301

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.—Saturday, June 10th, meeting at Newick. Tea in Village Room. Possibly Chailey in evening. Names to me by 8th.—C. A. Bassett, 3, Pendrill Place, Wadhurst, Sussex. 8327

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Meldreth, on Saturday, June 10th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—E. W. Bullman, Dis. Sec. 8310

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Meeting, June 10th, Great Wakering. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea please, to Mr. G. Kirby, 181, High Street, Great Wakering. Buses 4 and 4A from Victoria Circus, Southend, at 15 and 45 minutes past the hour. 8264

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—Meeting, June 10th, 3 till 4.30 p.m., Hannington (5). Tea 4.45. Blunsdon, Ringing at Blunsdon (6) 6-8 p.m. Names for tea.—R. Luton, 169, Cheney Manor Road, Swindon. 8305

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Bishop's Stortford Group.—Meeting at Little Hadham, June 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Evening ringing, Much Hadham. Names for tea to A. Kent, Clapgate, Albury, near Much Hadham. 8326

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Meeting, June 10th, Flamstead. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to E. Smith, Rose Cottage, Flamstead. Definitely, no name no tea. 8311

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—By-meeting on June 10th. Ringing, Nettlestead (5 bells) 3-5 p.m. Tea 5. Yalding (6) after tea. Service 6.30 p.m.—R. L. Sills, Dis. Sec. 8274

LADIES' GUILD.—Lincolnshire District.—Meeting at Winterton, on Saturday, June 10th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Hall, West Street, Winterton, near Scunthorpe, not later than Tuesday, June 6th.—Mrs. A. Richardson, Hon. Sec. 8257

LADIES' GUILD.—West Midland District and Midland District.—Joint quarterly meeting Saturday, June 10th, at All Saints', Chilvers Coton, Nuneaton, Warwicks. Ringing 3-4.30 p.m. Service 4.30-5. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Ringing from 6-8 p.m. Notifications for tea not later than Wednesday, June 7th, to Mrs. D. E. Beamish, 21, Gipsy Lane, Nuneaton. 8291

LADIES' GUILD.—South Wales and Western Districts.—Joint meeting at Penarth, June 10th, St. John's, Cardiff, bells at 12.30-1.30 p.m. Penarth 2.30. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. E. Hartley, 3, Clinton Road, Penarth, Glam. 8315

LADIES' GUILD.—Eastern District.—Meeting at Higham (6), Saturday, June 10th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting follows to elect officers, etc. Names for tea by Wednesday, June 7th, please, to Mrs. W. Bailey, Squirrels Hall Cottage, Stratford St. Mary, Colchester, Essex. Gentlemen welcome.—A. E. J. L. 8313

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Practice meeting, Broughton-in-Furness, Saturday, June 10th, 2.30 p.m. Names to R. Heaton, 9, High Kepplewray, Broughton-in-Furness.—N. M. Newby. 8330

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—Meeting at Croston, June 10th. Names for tea by June 7th, to Mr. P. Ascroft, 19, Highfield Road, Croston.—L. Walmsley. 8333

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting, June 10th, at St. Chad's, Rochdale. Bells 3 p.m. Business 6 p.m. Because of holidays and other events clashing with normal Branch arrangements, this will be the last occasion for discussion for some time and important business will be transacted.—Hudson, Sec. 8331

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Meeting, Saturday, June 10th, St. Mary's, R.C., Clapham Common, 2.30 p.m. Tea, handbell ringing and business 4 p.m., at 56, Narbonne Avenue, S.W.4. Evening ringing at St. Mary's, Battersea, 6-7.30 p.m. Names for tea please to Miss M. Powell, above address or phone Tulse Hill 8190. 8306

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.—N. and E. District.—Meeting, Saturday, June 10th, at St. John the Baptist, Pinner. Ringing 3 p.m. Tea 4.45, following by business meeting. Evensong 6, followed by evening ringing until 8.30. Names for tea please to D. E. R. Knights, 11, Draycott Avenue, Kenton, Harrow, Middlesex, by June 8th. 8325

MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD. — First ringing meeting, Stretton-cum-Wetmore, Saturday, June 10th. New ring of six bells available at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—J. Cotton. 8323

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Oxford City Branch.—Half yearly meeting, Saturday, June 10th, at Garsington. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by June 3rd, to Mr. A. J. Adams, 35, Church Hill Road, Cowley, Oxford. 8272

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Central Bucks Branch.—33rd annual general meeting, at Wotton Underwood, Saturday, June 10th. Bells 2.45 p.m. Guild service 4 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous, to D. G. Wheeler, 47, Whaddon Chase, Aylesbury, Bucks. No name no tea guaranteed. 8339

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Daventry Branch.—Meeting, Byfield, Saturday, June 10th. Names for tea to Mr. F. W. Hutt, Knowle Cottage, Byfield, Rugby, by Tuesday previous.—F. W. Hancock. 8324

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Meeting Ellesmere, on Saturday, June 10th, 3 p.m. Names for tea to A. Whitehead, 2, Beech House, Ellsmere, by the previous Wednesday. Look up London Major. 8329

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—Annual general meeting, Lichfield, June 10th. Bells available: Cathedral (10) 2.30 to 3.30 and 6.30 to 7.30 p.m.; St. Mary's (8), St. Michael's (6). Service at St. Michael's, 3.45 p.m. Tea at Women's Institute, 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. D. J. Tranter, 36, Seven Acres, Aldridge, Walsall, by Wednesday, June 7th. Other bells available during afternoon: Shenstone (5) 2.30-3.30; evening: Alrewas (8), Elford (6), 7.30-9. 8273

SUFFOLK GUILD.—North-West District.—Practice meeting at Euston (5), Saturday, June 10th. Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m.—A. F. Ballam. 8317

SOUTHWELL DIO. GUILD.—North Notts District.—District cup contest and meeting at Rampton (6), Saturday, June 10th. It is most important that names should be sent for tea by June 6th, to Mrs. D. Beecroft, The Royal Oak, Rampton, Retford.—H. Denman. 8293

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Western Division.—Practice meeting at Felpham (6), on Saturday, June 10th, at 3 p.m. Names for tea to E. W. Keys, 'Greystones,' Salthill Road, Fishbourne, Chichester. 8318

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Southern Branch.—Meeting at Church Lench (6), on Saturday, June 10th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea by Tuesday, June 6th, to C. B. Longmore, 65A, Port Street, Evesham. 8307

WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.—Wymondham Ringing Day, Saturday, June 10th. Bells (8) from 2 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m., in Vicarage Room. Please send names or numbers by Wednesday, 7th.—H. Tooke, 11, Long Row, The Lizard, Wymondham, Norfolk. 8302

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Frome Branch.—Corporate Communion, Mells, Sunday, June 11th, 8 a.m. Bells 7.30 a.m. Names for breakfast please, to Mrs. H. Massey, Panbury Bungalow, Vallis Road, Frome. 8303

DEVON GUILD.—Annual festival, Exeter, June 17th. Service, St. Mark's, 4 p.m. Preacher, the Dean of Exeter. Tea and meeting in St. Mark's Parish Hall. Numbers for tea to Rev. C. G. Poulton, 36, Polsloe Road, Exeter. Ringing: Cathedral 1.30-3 and 6-8, Heavitree 1.30-3, St. Mark's 3-4, St. Thomas' 7-8 p.m. 8320

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—By-meeting, Lynsted, on Saturday, June 17th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea in School Hall at 2s. per person. Names together with cash please, by June 14th.—Mr. G. C. Ivory, Cambridge Cottage, Teynham, near Sittingbourne. 8260

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—By-meeting, Lynsted, on Saturday, June 17th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea in School Hall at 2s. per person. Names, together with cash please, by June 14th.—Mr. G. C. Ivory, Cambridge Cottage, Teynham, near Sittingbourne. 8260

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. — Elloe Deaneries Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Crowland, Saturday, June 17th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, June 14th, to Mr. R. Strickland, 5, South Street, Crowland. 8289

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SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern Section.—Quarterly meeting, Redhill (8), June 17th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. Comber, 2, Woodlands Avenue, Redhill, by Thursday, 15th.—G. A. West, Hon. Sec. 8282

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Northern Branch.—Meeting at Oldswinford, Saturday, June 17th, 3 p.m. Service at 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea to Mr. A. Roden, 19, Castle Grove, Oldswinford, Stourbridge, by Thursday, 15th, please.—Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane, Pedmore, Stourbridge. Phone 3470.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Western District.—Annual meeting, June 17th, at Skipton. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Names for tea by June 14th, to Mr. C. S. Scott, 2, Prospect Place, Skipton.—A. E. Marsh, Hon. Dis. Sec. 8332

HALIFAX ASSOCIATION.—Annual meeting and prize contest, Penistone, June 24th. Entrance fee 10s. per team, to Arthur Farrand, 12, Greenhill, Mossley, Manchester, by June 17th, please. For teas please notify Arthur Champion, 28, Lees Avenue, Penistone, by June 23rd. **No names no tea.**—A. Farrand, Sec. 8294

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bi-annual rally will take place at Chilvers Coton, on Saturday, July 1st. Service at 4.30 p.m., at which the Lord Bishop of Coventry will give the address. Tea will follow at 5.15 p.m. We hope to have the following towers open during the afternoon and evening: Bedworth, Bulkington, Nuneaton and Atherstone, in addition to Chilvers Coton. Numbers for tea is very important and should be sent as early as possible to me. Full details will be published later. All towers in the Diocese will be notified by letter.—J. L. Garner-Hayward, 8, Orchard Crescent, Coventry. 8298

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — The annual festival will be held at Oxford, on Saturday, July 1st, 9.45 a.m. Holy Communion in St. Aldate's; 11 a.m. Thanksgiving service at Christ Church; 12 noon, business meeting in the Chapter House; 1 p.m. lunch in the dining hall of Christ Church. Application for tickets for lunch (6s. 6d.) must be made to Mr. A. D. Barker, 'Cambridge,' Church Lane, Wexham, Slough, Bucks, by Tuesday, June 27th. All applications must be accompanied by remittance. Towers available for ringing as on agenda for business meeting.—M. R. Cross, Hon. Gen. Sec. 8316

OBITUARY

VERY REV. E. H. LEWIS-CROSBY, B.D., Dean of Christ Church, Dublin.

The death occurred on May 18th, of the Very Rev. E. H. Lewis-Crosby, B.D., Dean of Christ Church, Dublin. He was the oldest active clergyman of the Church of Ireland, and was in his 97th year.

The Dean was appointed to Christ Church Cathedral in 1938 and had taken a personal interest in every part of the Cathedral. He loved the bells, which form a prominent part of the life of the city of Dublin. His ready assent to any request from visitors to ring the bells is well known, and, in fact, out of his own pocket he has on many occasions provided refreshment, either by the friendly cup of tea or the box of sweets, for those taking part in the ringing.

In 1942-1943 he was president of the Irish Association of Change Ringers, and attended many of its meetings, displaying that peculiar interest that can only be shown by men of stature and which called for respect by his hearers.

Bell ringers, in general, will miss the beloved Dean, and the Cathedral ringers, in particular, have lost a true friend. Our sympathy is extended to his widow, sons and daughters in the loss which they have sustained.

The funeral took place after service in Christ Church Cathedral on May 20th, at Stillorgan. Prior to the service the bells were rung half-muffled.

In the afternoon, at Christ Church, Bray, a memorial peal of Plain Bob Triples was rung to the memory of both the late Dean and the late Rector of Bray, Canon E. H. F. Campbell, who was president of the Irish Association in the year previous to the Dean.

30 Years Ago

'R.W.' May 29th, 1931.—

Thirty years ago today the first and only peal ever rung on the sea was accomplished by a band crossing from Dublin to Holyhead. The same day the first Surprise peal in Wales was rung.

On June 1st, 1912, 14,031 Stedman Caters was rung on handbells at Guildford.

50 Years Ago

'R.W.' June 2nd, 1911.—

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AT SHIPLEY

At the general meeting, following the tea, the resignation of Mr. Snowdon, who has so worthily filled the office of president for 25 years, was announced, and expressions of the greatest regret were universal on receipt of the news. The preliminary announcement was made on the circulars sent out beforehand, and we cannot do better than quote the paragraph, which is as follows: 'The committee have to announce with the greatest regret that our esteemed president, Mr. Wm. Snowdon, has resigned the office. Mr. Snowdon states that he feels it his duty to the memory of his brother, Jasper, our first president, to complete some of his unfinished writings, for the benefit, he hopes, of the whole Exercise, and that he finds it impossible to do so and also retain office. Mr. Snowdon has been strongly urged to reconsider his resignation, but for the above reason, coupled with other pressing duties, regrets that he cannot do so, nor can he accept a seat on the committee. At a special committee meeting held on March 25th, the Rev C. C. Marshall, Vicar of St. Chad's, Far Headingley, was unanimously elected president.'

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