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HEYWOOD

FIFTY years ago, on April 26th, 1915, Sir Arthur Heywood died at his country residence at Duffield, Derbyshire, and the Central Council lost its Founder, its first and only President, and one who had led it and directed its deliberations for twenty-five years. Half a century, the devastations of two mighty wars, and the dislocations of an immense social revolution, have parted us very sharply from the days of Heywood and his contemporaries, so that to many his name may mean little more than that he was President of the Council and the author of a number of popular compositions of high merit and great utility.

But the importance of Heywood rests on more than these things. He was a wealthy man and one who took the responsibilities of his position very seriously. He took an active and generous interest in the Derbyshire Royal Infirmary, was a magistrate, Deputy Lieutenant for Staffordshire, and in 1899 he was Sheriff of Derbyshire. He was a talented architect and was widely known as an engineer. His interest in the possibilities of light railways in industry and commerce led to the laying down of the well-known 15in. gauge line at Duffield Bank, a construction enjoyed by many visitors and studied keenly by Midland Railway officials. The engines and rolling stock were built in his own workshops, themselves erected to his own designs.

Early in life he took a great interest in ringing. He was an earnest churchman, and for many years was churchwarden and sidesman at Duffield. He became leader and conductor of the local band, and in 1887 he gave two treble bells to make a fine ring of ten. As a conductor he had no mean reputation, and his achievements include the calling of peals of Treble Bob, Double Norwich (Major and Royal), London Surprise and Duffield Maximus. These were notable performances for his day, but in addition he rang a number of peals with the famous Burton-on-Trent band when they were at the height of their fame, and the experience he gained with this remarkable company was sufficient to place him among the most competent practitioners of his age. But his peal ringing activities soon ceased, and a subject that fascinated him more, the investigation of the theoretical side of change ringing, began to occupy his logical mind. From this new activity came practical results and revelations that have had an important bearing, directly or indirectly, on the development of composition in the last seventy years.

His invention of "Duffield", a system for eight, ten and twelve bells, was a serious attempt to find an even-bell method more flexible than Treble Bob and more adapted for Sunday service touches than the Surprise methods. "Duffield" was not a success, but the book he wrote to introduce the system is one of the best organised and best

written works in the whole of ringing literature. In it was found for the first time a clear exposition of proof by natural course-ends, a contribution of such value to the Exercise that this alone would have justified the publication of the treatise.

Heywood's theoretical explorations were wide, but it was without doubt the problems of Stedman that fascinated him, troubled him, and finally challenged him to battle. In the middle of the century Thomas Thurstans had produced his classic four-part peal, and this was rung three years before Heywood was born. But there was not the slightest clue to the composer's mode of work or method of approach. The peal was there, but, says Heywood, "near upon half a century of apathy has cast around Stedman Triples a shroud of impenetrable mystery almost romantic in its completeness". It was for Heywood to draw away this shroud and disperse the mystery. The attack on the heartbreaking difficulties, the relentless assault on problem that succeeded problem, and the final triumph, are revealed to us in what is probably the most searching and most brilliant piece of investigation in the history of the Exercise. The results of all this work were embodied in a monograph entitled "Investigation into the Construction of Peals of Stedman Triples". It was the work of Heywood and Earle Bulwer, and it was printed in full in the 1903 edition of Davies' "Stedman", now unfortunately out of print. Some day, perhaps, the Council may be persuaded to honour its great Founder by republishing the "Investigations". Even in these advanced days they have a more than academic significance, and may well provide some instruction and intellectual diversion for the modern inquirer.

When Sir Arthur Heywood died his reputation as a practical ringer had been largely forgotten, and his investigations into change ringing theory belonged to a time long past. To most people he was President of the Council, a position he held with undisputed authority and with what some considered undue autocracy. The Council is his chief monument, and because of it his name will ever be remembered. The vision in which he perceived the need for such a body, and the skill with which he succeeded in bringing it into being, are such as to justify the declaration that only he could have done this work. But the whole of his life showed a clear determination to neglect no talent that could be used to good ends, and at his death the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, who loved him greatly, wrote: "He has left behind a sheaf of memories full of happiness, of kind-hearted actions innumerable and, above all, a noble example of fulfilment of the injunction, 'Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might.'"

E. C. S.

The Long Path to 145 Methods of Spliced Minor

IT all started in late summer last year when two of the band suggested we should settle down to some serious Minor ringing during the winter months. After careful thought we agreed to a series of attempts up to 100 methods and the band was chosen. It was decided from the start that each ringer would keep to the same bell and that attempts, where possible, would be made on Friday evenings.

Summer holidays over, the first attempt was for 40 methods at Downham on October 1st. Harvest festival preparations were under way as we arrived at the church, but by the time we were ready to start all helpers had departed and the peal was commenced. Everything went well until we neared the end of the second extent when knocking, first on the west and then the south door, terminated the proceedings. It transpired that an additional cauliflower (or cabbage, I'm not sure now) had turned up and its immediate installation became a necessity in the mind of its transporter. We retired to the "De Beauvoir."

Confident that we could ring 40 methods, a new extent was added and we attempted 60 methods at Rayne on October 14th. This proved too much and the attempt turned into a practice. A fortnight's rest didn't help much, as we lost the peal again at Sandon, this time in the second extent. The next week it was decided to practise another new extent and on November 12th we rang our first peal in 82 methods at Little Waltham.

THE MAGIC 100

The next step was 100 methods and the magic three figures must have had their effect as the attempt at Sandon hardly got off the ground. The following week we rang 100 methods at Stisted and, encouraged by our progress, decided to see how far we could get. Spirits were high when the following week we rang 105 methods at Downham. Two in a row, something must happen now—it did. Tollesbury December 3rd. Danbury January 7th and Rayne January 14th were all scenes of lost attempts for 116 methods. We blamed everything, the odd-struck bells, the long break over Christmas and the cold weather. Finally we rang it at Danbury on January 1st, the conductor miscalling early enough to start again.

We expected the next extent, by Mr. Chant, with its six types of method, to prove difficult, so the next two weeks were devoted to practices. This move seemed to be paying off as, the attempt for 135 methods at Rayne on February 11th sailed gaily into the third extent. Unfortunately at this stage one of the band failed to hear which method had been called and, needless to say, in the following confusion the peal was lost. Having got used to the bells at Rayne we decided to make them first choice for future attempts, and the following week (February 18th) rang 135 methods without mishap.

145 AFTER 15 ATTEMPTS

Due to other commitments it was impossible to get together as a band again until March 11th, when we had a practice at Sandon for the final extent. This went better than expected and we arranged to attempt 145 methods at Rayne on March 23rd. Our hopes of even starting for the peal faded as we sat outside the church waiting for the last member of the band to arrive. Eventually a start was made but the conductor soon became entangled in the bobs and singles of Bastow Little Court and "Stand" was called. We then rang the extent with comparative



The band (from left to right): Joe E. G. Roast (cond.) 5, Dennis A. S. Symonds 4, Patrick W. Saltmarsh tenor, Peter G. Brown treble, Claire Dillamore 3, Andrew S. Hudson 2.

ease and adjourned to the Danbury practice. Two days later we were back again and rang a good peal in 145 methods.

During this series (which lasted nearly six months) we had 15 peal attempts and four practices. Six peals were rung in 82, 100, 105, 116, 135 and 145 methods. Our thanks are due to the incumbents and local ringers who made these attempts possible and especially to the Rev. H. A. Clifford, of Rayne, who gave us the use of his bells as often and whenever required.

THE BAND

Peter G. Brown, treble.—Age 18, a junior trust clerk in the Westminster Bank. Learned to ring under Bert Brinkley at Springfield in 1962 and has rung 78 peals, including nine-Spliced Surprise Major and Stedman Cinques. A Queen's Scout and keen ornithologist, he has just been elected to the committee of the Essex Association as a Press correspondent.

Andrew S. Hudson, second.—Age 22. Learned to ring at Great Baddow in 1959 and made rapid progress, ringing his first peal (seven Surprise Minor "inside") in October, 1960. Obtained a B.A. at Cambridge University and is at present employed as a physicist with the Marconi Company. Together with John McClenahan produced the "Complete Collection of Right Place Surprise Major Methods" in 1963. Master of the S.E. Division and an enthusiast for Stedman Cinques, in which method he has composed and conducted several peals.

Claire Dillamore, third.—Educated at Christ's Hospital Girls' High School, Lincoln, Claire learned to ring at St. Giles', Lincoln, in 1957 under Jack Millhouse and the late Sydney Chambers. Moved to Essex on completion of studies at Homerton Teachers' Training College, Cambridge, and teaches in Chelmsford. Has rung 125 peals, including Londinium Maximus, and deserves special mention, as prior to October, 1965, had not rung a peal of Minor in more than 14 methods.

Dennis A. S. Symonds, fourth.—Age 50, the oldest and most experienced ringer in the band. A native of Lavenham, he was taught to ring at the age of eight by his father and grandfather, both well-known Suffolk ringers. Has rung 398 peals, which include 22,000 of Bob Major at Kirby-le-Soken on April 9th, 1960, and 60 Surprise Minor at Stisted. Also took part in the attempts for the extent of Major at the Loughborough Bell Foundry and has the distinction of ringing in the longest attempt which was lost after 16 hours. Also employed by the Marconi Company, he is a section leader in the inspection department and a trustee of the Essex Association.

Joe E. G. Roast (conductor), fifth.—Age 30, a senior architectural draughtsman with the Chelmsford R.D.C., he was persuaded to take up ringing in March, 1950, by his father, who was training a new band of ringers at Danbury. Has rung 388 peals (245 as conductor) and took part in what was then the record peal of Minor (18,000 in 25 methods at Stisted in 1957). A Central Council representative since 1963, his other interests include cricket and table tennis.

Patrick W. Saltmarsh, tenor.—Age 39, has been general secretary of the Essex Association since 1965. Previous offices held were trustee and secretary, S.E. Division. An engineer in navigational aids, Pat is another "Marconi" man, who learned to ring at Sandon after the wartime ban was lifted. Taking up serious ringing in the mid-1950's, he developed a special interest in the composition of Spliced Minor extents. Has rung 220 peals, including 60 Spliced Surprise Minor methods, several extents of which he composed. A forceful left-hand bat, he is captain of the Marconi XI. J.E.G.R.

NORTHMOOR, OXON.—On March 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. Trinder 1, V. Clifton 2, B. Miles 3, N. Leslie 4, D. Leslie (cond.) 5, P. Trinder 6.

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Analysis of Peals rung during the Year 1965

Handbell peals are in brackets.

Ancient Society of College Youths. — Maximus 3, Cinques 10, Royal 1, Caters 2, Major 5 (1), Triples 6, Minor 1. Total: 28 (1). 29.

Anzab.—Maximus 1, Royal 2, Major 10 (1), Triples 2, Minor 5. Total: 20 (1). 21.

Bath and Wells.—Royal 7, Caters 2, Major 38, Triples 10, Minor 25, Doubles 29. Total: 111.

Bedfordshire.—Royal 3, Caters 4, Major 24 (3), Triples 5, Minor 18 (1), Doubles 1. Total: 55 (4). 59.

Cambridge University.—Maximus 1, Cinques 3, Royal 2, Caters 2, Major 7, Triples 4 (1), Doubles 2. Total: 21 (1). 22.

Chester Guild.—Maximus 4 (3), Royal 9 (3), Caters 1, Major 58 (10), Triples 7 (1), Minor 26 (5), Doubles 7. Total: 112 (22). 134.

Cleveland and North Yorkshire.—Major 1. Total: 1.

Coventry Guild.—Royal 1, Caters 1 (3), Major 15, Minor 15, Doubles 3. Total: 35 (3). 38.

Cumberland and North Westmorland. — Major 4, Triples 1, Minor 1. Total: 6.

Derby Diocesan.—Royal 6 Caters 9, Major 15 (1), Triples 2, Minor 16 (2), Doubles 2. Total 50 (3). 53.

Guild of Devonshire Ringers.—Maximus 2, Cinques 1, Major 21, Triples 2 (1), Minor 4, Doubles 2. Total: 32 (1). 33.

Dudley and District.—Cinques 1, Royal 1, Caters 1. Total: 3.

Durham and Newcastle.—Royal 1, Major 21 (3), Minor 10 (10). Total: 32 (13). 45.

East Grinstead and District.—Major 2, Triples 3, Minor 2. Total: 7.

Ely Diocesan.—Royal 1, Major 23, Triples 3, Minor 34, Doubles 4. Total: 65.

Essex Association.—Cinques 5, Royal 2, Caters 4, Major 42, Triples 5, Minor 46, Doubles 2. Total: 106.

Gloucester and Bristol. — Maximus 5, Cinques 4, Royal 8 (1), Caters 1, Major 72 (1), Triples 4, Minor 22 (1), Doubles 12. Total: 128 (3). 131.

Guildford Diocesan.—Royal 4, Caters 5, Major 17, Triples 7, Minor 9. Total: 42.

Hereford Guild.—Major 4, Triples 5, Minor 15, Doubles 12. Total: 36.

Hertford County.—Royal 5, Caters 3, Major 39 (18), Triples 5, Minor 28 (3), Doubles 5. Total: 85 (21). 106.

Irish Association. — Maximus 1, Royal 6, Caters 1, Major 11 (1), Triples 3 (1), Minor 6 (15), Doubles 4 (2). Total: 32 (19). 51.

Kent County. — Royal 13 (1), Caters 2, Major 90 (4), Triples 15 (2), Minor 42 (1), Doubles 4 (2). Total: 166 (10). 176.

Ladies' Guild.—Triples 1, Minor 3. Total: 4.

Lancashire Association. — Maximus 7, Cinques 4, Royal 8 (1), Caters 9, Major 71, Triples 19, Minor 31 (7), Doubles 3 (4). Total: 152 (12). 164.

Leicester Diocesan.—Maximus 5, Cinques 2, Royal 6 (2), Caters 1, Major 39 (2), Triples 3 (1), Minor 23 (2), Doubles 8 (1). Total: 87 (8). 95.

Lincoln Guild.—Maximus 1, Cinques 8, Royal 5, Caters 1, Major 66 (16), Triples 5, Minor 81 (1), Doubles 9, Minimus 1. Total: 177 (17). 194.

Llandaff and Monmouth. — Maximus 1, Royal 4, Caters 4, Major 24, Triples 15, Minor 14 (1), Doubles 13. Total: 75 (1). 76.

London County.—Royal 1, Caters 4, Major 1, Triples 1, Minor (1). Totals: 7 (1). 8.

Middlesex County. — Royal 3, Caters 1, Major 37 (7), Triples 3, Minor 2 (1). Total: 46 (8). 54.

Midland Counties.—Royal 1, Caters 1, Major 26, Triples 3, Minor 6, Doubles 2. Total: 39.

National Police Guild.—Nil.

North Staffs.—Royal 2, Caters 1, Major 10, Triples 2, Minor 3, Doubles 3. Total: 21.

North Wales.—Doubles 1. Total: 1.

Norwich Diocesan.—Cinques 1, Royal 1, Caters 1, Major 39, Triples 4, Minor 37 (24), Doubles 6 (5). Total: 89 (29). 118.

Oxford Diocesan.—Maximus 1, Cinques 6, Royal 7, Caters 3, Major 86, Triples 31, Minor 47, Doubles 20, Minimus 1. Total: 202.

Oxford Society. — Cinques 2, Caters 1, Triples 2. Total: 5.

Oxford University. — Royal 1, Major 4, Triples 1, Minor 7. Total: 13.

Peterborough Diocesan.—Maximus 1, Royal 8, Caters 6, Major 40 (1), Triples 2, Minor 51, Doubles 13. Total: 121 (1). 122.

St. David's Diocesan.—Triples 1, Minor 1. Total: 2.

St. Martin's Guild.—Maximus 44, Cinques 1, Royal 18, Major 22, Triples 4, Minor 1. Total: 90.

Salisbury Diocesan.—Cinques 2, Royal 1, Caters 2, Major 17, Triples 5, Minor 11, Doubles 15. Total: 53.

Scottish Association.—Minor 1. Total: 1.

Sheffield and District.—Caters 1, Triples 1. Total: 2.

Shropshire Association.—Maximus 1, Major 1, Triples 1, Minor 3, Doubles 1. Total: 7.

Society of Royal Cumberland Youths. — Maximus 1, Cinques 1, Caters 1, Major 17. Total: 20.

Sherwood Youths' Society.—Nil.

Southwell Diocesan.—Cinques 1, Royal 1, Caters 6, Major 11, Triples 8, Minor 40 (1), Doubles 43. Total: 110 (1). 111.

Stafford Archdeaconry.—Maximus 1, Royal 5, Caters 1, Major 15, Triples 3, Minor 17, Doubles 4 (1). Total: 46 (1). 47.

Suffolk Guild.—Royal 5, Caters 2, Major 23, Triples 3, Minor 39, Doubles 3. Total: 75.

Surrey Association.—Cinques 2, Royal 3, Caters 4, Major 18 (1), Triples 4, Minor 4 (1). Total: 35 (2). 37.

Sussex County.—Royal 5, Caters 2, Major 37, Triples 6, Minor 15, Doubles 8. Total: 73.

Swansea and Brecon.—Caters 5, Major 3 (22), Triples (1), Minor 11 (47), Doubles 2. Total: 16 (75). 91.

Truro Diocesan.—Royal 1, Major 10 (1), Triples 4, Minor 5, Doubles 3. Total: 23 (1). 24.

Universities Association.—Caters (1), Major 4. Total: 4 (1). 5.

University of Bristol.—Maximus 1, Major 2, Minor 2. Total: 5.

University of London.—Maximus 1, Royal 2, Caters 1, Major 3, Triples 2, Minor 12 (1). Total: 21 (1). 22.

Winchester and Portsmouth.—Maximus 1, Royal 5, Caters 4, Major 28 (1), Triples 7 (1), Minor 14 (1), Doubles 9. Total: 68 (3). 71.

Worcestershire and Districts.—Maximus 2, Cinques 2, Royal 5, Caters 1, Major 67 (1), Triples 12, Minor 14, Doubles 10. Total: 113 (1). 114.

Yorkshire Association.—Maximus 3, Cinques 4, Royal 20, Caters 4, Major 88, Triples 5, Minor 39, Doubles 8, Minimus 1. Total: 172.

Other Societies, etc.—Maximus 1, Cinques 2, Royal 3, Caters 4, Major 35 (1), Triples 1, Minor 27 (5), Doubles 1 (2). Total: 74 (8). 82.

Grand Totals: Tower 3,222, Handbells 273, 3,495.

W. AYRE,
for Peals Analysis Committee.

METHODS IN WHICH TEN OR MORE PEALS WERE RUNG

Maximus.—Cambridge 43, Yorkshire 18, Cinques.—Stedman 54.

Royal.—Cambridge 59, Yorkshire 29, London 32, Plain Bob 43. (Note the increase in popularity of London Royal.)

Caters.—Grandsire 53, Stedman 49 (up by 20).

Major Surprise — Spliced Surprise: 8 methods 17, 6 methods 15, 5 methods 18, 4 methods 33, Bristol 80, Cambridge 125, New Cambridge 10, Lincolnshire 63, London 116, Pudsev 21, Rutland 79, Superlative 33, Wembley 10, Yorkshire 183. (The changing pattern in Surprise Major—Bristol up 22, Cambridge up 11, Lincolnshire up 23, London 56, Rutland 33, Yorkshire 46, superseding Cambridge.)

Major. — Kent T.B. 36, Double Norwich 41, Plain Bob 280, Little Bob 12. (Double Norwich down 25, but Bob Major up 62.)

Triples.—Grandsire 141 (up 27), Stedman 77 (up 10), Plain Bob 22, Oxford Bob 11.

Minor.—Over 20 methods 15, 14–20 methods 21, 10 methods 15, 9 methods 14, 7 methods 189, 6 methods 12, 5 methods 35, 4 methods 82, 3 methods 75, 2 methods 62, 1 method 451.

Doubles. — Over 40 methods, 20, 21–30 methods 11, 14–20 methods 11, 7 methods 16, 5 methods 11, 4 methods 19, 3 methods 29, 2 methods 33, 1 method 94.

Leicester Cathedral Win Striking Contest

The annual Leicester District striking competition was held at Whetstone on April 2nd. Five bands competed and the contest was won by Leicester Cathedral with only ten faults. Well-deserved congratulations to this band. South Wigston came next with 18 faults, then Aylestone (22), Blaby (27), with Markfield sweeping along in the rear with 31.

The trophy was presented to the winners after tea, by the adjudicator, Mr. Arthur E. Rowley, of Ibstock, the mid-winter-type blizzard having thwarted matters for the other intended adjudicators.

Mr. Rowley emphasised that the whole spirit of the competition was most friendly and light-hearted, and he hoped that the bands would accept his comments in the spirit of encouragement rather than criticism.

At the District meeting which followed, 42 members representing nine towers were present. A proposal to stage a long-alley skittles match between the Leicester and Hinckley Districts on the occasion of a future meeting found acceptance.

Mid-week practice meetings were discussed. The secretary, reporting on the District practice meeting held at Groby on February 22nd, in which Plain Bob was the special method, said the object was to help those learners beginning change ringing. It was felt that the Groby learners had enjoyed this practice and had derived some benefit. Thanks were due to the experienced ringers who came along to help. Any tower band that would like a practice of this type is asked to apply.

A brief résumé of the Blaby meeting in March was given, in which the secretary wished to place on record the fine rendering of choral Evensong. He also commiserated with Blaby on their tenor being out of action owing to a clapper having dropped out. The ringers here are working to obtain a sixth bell; we all wish them well in this aim. This church is to be congratulated on its energetic band of ringers and chorists.

Next meeting: Billesdon (joint with Syston District) on May 7th.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION ASHFORD DISTRICT

By recent standards the meeting at Frittenden on April 2nd was poorly attended, probably due to its inaccessibility, it being the furthest outpost of the District. The Rector, the Rev. G. N. Manley, conducted the service, with Mr. J. E. Spree of Bethersden as organist.

Mr. H. Baker, together with the Rector, made the arrangements for tea, which was prepared by ladies of the District led by Mrs. Rose Wratten. At a short business meeting preliminary details of the ringing school to be held on May 21st at Cheriton were given. Mr. A. Berry proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector, the Frittenden ringers, the organist and those who prepared the tea.

Ringing then continued throughout the evening on the pleasant octave. A. P. S. B.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD'S ANNUAL DINNER

FOR the first time in the history of the Guild the annual dinner was this year held in St. John's College, though still on the traditional last Saturday of the Lent Term (March 5th). The novel arrangements aroused considerable comment, which was on balance favourable and hence it is to be hoped that they will be repeated in the future.

A full programme of ringing activities preceded the dinner. In the morning the Guild succeeded in ringing a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major at Trumpington, but an attempt for Cambridge Surprise Major at Barkway by a band consisting mainly of visitors fell to pieces halfway through. During the afternoon Cambridge's four towers—Great St. Andrew's, St. Benet's, Great St. Mary's and the Roman Catholic Church—were open for general ringing, and Cherry Hinton was also available to lunchtime enthusiasts.

The president, Mr. W. J. Ridgman, was in the chair at the dinner. After the loyal toast, the toast "The Guild" was proposed, as is traditional, by a prominent member, being this year Major Freeborn. The Major is peculiarly qualified to speak on the earlier history of the Guild and he gave us the full benefit of his knowledge in a series of very interesting and often witty reminiscences about our predecessors and their exploits in Cambridge. He went on to say that often now there are about ten or twelve experienced ringers resident at any one time, whereas 40 years ago numbers would have been smaller. Rather than embarrass certain people, I will not repeat Major Freeborn's views on beards for men under 50 years of age!

PEALS—80 PER CENT. SUCCESS

The Master, Mr. Kenneth Darvill, replied, and he took the opportunity of giving an outline résumé of the Guild's activities during the past year. About 20 peals ranging from Doubles to Maximus had been rung, including Stedman Cinques by an all-undergraduate band, at Birmingham Cathedral and Yorkshire Surprise Maximus at Great Yarmouth. No handbell peals had, however, been achieved.

Guild Week this year had been slightly less well supported than usual, having been held in Cambridge. There had been an 80 per cent. success rate for peals, the most notable being Major Freeborn's 100th peal of Stedman "which only goes to show what you can achieve if you stick to your principles."

Since October the Guild had considerably changed in character, owing to the relatively small number of experienced freshmen coming up to replace the many undergraduates who had recently left. This had entailed considerable teaching of learners, but it was very encouraging to see these moving on to Sunday service ringing. Mr. Darvill expressed the considerable scope for improvement which existed in the standard of striking both at practice and on Sundays, and also mentioned the research currently being undertaken by one member of the Guild into the necessity or otherwise for singles in a peal of Stedman Triples. He concluded with the observation that, judging by the number of stays the steeplekeeper had stocked-up, wood must be considered a more stable currency than sterling!

The toast of "The Visitors" was proposed by Mr. Charles Hobson, the Guild's secretary. He welcomed Roger Powell, Master of the London University Society, and Roger Hayworth, Master of the Oxford University Society. Mr. Derek Williams, Master of the Bristol University Society, was particularly welcome, as the Bristol contingent had been

Letters to the Editor

APRIL 1st COINCIDENCE

Dear Sir,—Who was G. J. Caesar, for whom an "in memoriam" peal was rung at Chigwell on March 12th, 1966?

The combination of the Ides of March and the name Caesar raises suspicion in my mind, and is made a certainty by the peal appearing in "The Ringing World," April 1st. I would suggest that the initials stand for Gaius Julius, a person whose two visits to this country were hardly an occasion for rejoicing.

Perhaps the ringers of the peal can confirm or deny this. If my suspicion is correct I want to say that I am appalled by a joke of this sort being perpetrated, particularly by presumably intelligent members of a University Society.—Yours sincerely,

Kingswinford.

JOHN C. EISEL.

COLLEGE BOB

Dear Sir,—Considering the number of years for which the method (x 16 x 36 x 3. 6ths 64523) has been accepted by the Exercise as College Bob, the introduction of another method of the same name (as in the East Bridgford peal, "Ringing World," March 25th) can cause only confusion. This new method differs in only two subsections (its 1-2 places and its lead-head) from the existing College Bob, but the difference in the front work is sufficient to render the method not even a true College one. Might we therefore suggest a change in the name of this newer method?—Yours sincerely,

D. G. FRANKLIN,
L. J. HAINES.

Worcester.

CONGRATULATIONS TO RECORD HOLDERS

Dear Sir,—As conductor of the previous record peal of multi-Minor, I would like to congratulate Joe Roast and his band on further increasing the number of methods in seven extents in their peal at Rayne, Essex ("Ringing World," page 233).—Yours sincerely,

ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

Stratton St. Margaret,
Swindon.

snowed-up and unable to reach Cambridge for the previous Guild dinner. Two members of the Cambridge Youths—Peter Lawrence and Reginald Dennis—were also welcomed. Mr. Hobson also expressed warm greetings to the Bishop of Ely and the Rev. R. N. Evans, Vicar of Great St. Andrew's, for whose valuable assistance and support the Guild were very grateful.

During the ceremony of the Loving Cup a touch of Stedman Cinques was rung on handbells by B. D. Threlfall 1-2, S. P. Darvill 3-4, Hadley Hunter 5-6, F. E. Haynes 7-8, K. J. Darvill 9-10, F. C. Hobson 11-12. This was much appreciated by all, not least by the waiters, whose mouths visibly gaped!

The Guild and its guests then retired to rooms in the college, where an enjoyable time was spent drinking, talking to old friends and, of course, signing menu cards. Unexpected entertainment was here provided by an ex tempore piano recital!

All too soon it was time for everyone to go their devious ways; some of these we afterwards learned had been a little too devious and resulted in two members of the O.U.S. spending the night in a police station: chacun à son goût!

RUTH A. RICHARDSON,
Dinner Secretary.

METHOD TEACHING

Dear Sir,—There is a lot of truth in Mr. P. G. K. Davies' article on teaching ropesight and I think it excellent that our attention is turned to what is possibly the most neglected aspect of our art, that is the teaching which follows immediately the first solo efforts at handling a bell. But I feel Mr. Davies is wrong in his emphasis on the "sight." His aim of teaching the methods used by good ringers is surely a good aim, but good ringers rely less on ropesight than on rhythm, so rhythm and striking ought to be the means an instructor uses to teach method ringing. I tried some years ago to show how rhythm could be taught and would be interested to know Mr. Davies' comments on the suggestions in that article, especially if he has tried them out.

I doubt whether good ropesight is acquired before a person can move his bell from, say, 2nds to 3rds place, accurately, without looking. Put another way, if someone can tell where to ring by looking but cannot tell by rhythm, their striking is likely to be poor. Knowing where to look or seeing the pattern of the changes is a great help, but I doubt whether it is "the key to all method ringing."

Looking at one's own sally is a bad habit and I often teach people, when they are practising bell control, to ring with their eyes shut (this can improve style as well) or to look round the other ropes without a glance at their own. Looking at the floor is another thing instructors dislike pupils to do, but many experienced ringers do just this because they are ringing by rhythm. I am sure it is a good rule to give pupils, that they should look at the other ropes, and call changes give practice at this as well as at moving position by rhythm. Plain hunting also gives practice at both these, but the pupil who does not pick up the "numbers" by observation after a few goes must be exceptional. It doesn't matter that he does know them, anyway, as rhythm and striking are the first objectives at this stage.

Which is likely to get the better result?

- (1). "You're in 6-7 down, Bill."
- (2). "Bill! 6-7 down, 4 at hand, 5 at back."
- (3). "With the 4th, Bill, 5 at back."

—Yours sincerely,

WILFRID F. MORETON.

Wakefield.

SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD MEMORIAL FESTIVAL

Dear Sir,—It may not be generally known that the ringing festival to be held in and around Derby on Saturday, April 23rd, is to mark the 50th anniversary of the death of Sir Arthur Heywood.

The focal point of the activities will be a memorial service at Duffield Parish Church at 3.30 p.m. The preacher will be the Rev. R. D. St. John Smith.

Sir Arthur Heywood was for many years a bellringer at Duffield Church and was instrumental in having the bells augmented from eight to ten. The climax of Sir Arthur's career as a bellringer was the part he played in the formation of the Central Council. He was also its first president.

The Derbyshire Association issue a country-wide invitation to all bellringers, and particularly current Central Council members, to join with them in paying tribute to a great bellringer.—Yours faithfully,

G. A. HALLS.

Littleover, Derby.

BELL ROPES
JOHN NICOLL
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Derby Diocesan Association Fully Maintains Its Reputation

THE 14th Sir Arthur Heywood Memorial Dinner at Chesterfield fully maintained the prestige established of dignity mellowed by humour of a brand peculiar to this function. The large attendance had on the top table Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Hall, supported by the Bishop of Derby and Mrs. G. Allen, the Ven. and Mrs. T. W. Ingram Cleasby, the Rev. St. John Smith and Miss Anne St. John Smith, the Mayor and Mayoress of Chesterfield (Cdr. and Mrs. T. Bucknell), Mr. and Mrs. N. Chaddock, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. J. Price, Mr. and Mrs. F. Adams, Mr. B. P. Morris, Mr. M. Phipps, Miss M. Yarnold, Mr. G. Paulson and Mr. A. Moss.

We sit back, well fed and well wined amid old friends well met. The toastmaster announces "The Queen." "The Queen" we solemnly rejoice; we have shown our loyalty; we may smoke.

The small-statured figure of Norman Chaddock stands and in a Rotherham accent presents the toast of "The Church and the Exercise." Norman defines the Church as "that body of people who claim to be Christian witnesses on earth: the clergy, the congregation, lay officials and all the Church organisations such as the choir and ringers." The Exercise is thus part of the Church.

OUR CALLING

"Ideally," expands the speaker, "a band of ringers should be a group of Church workers who are well represented at the main services, though the work of those who only occasionally attend should not be spurned. At least they do have a connection with the Church and may later increase their ties with her. However much pleasure we obtain from ringing as a hobby we must remember our calling as part of the Church."

Now Mr. Chaddock quotes the ringers' prayer:

Almighty God, who has called us to fulfil the office of bellringers in the Church, grant us to be of one heart and mind in Thy service, that the pealing of the bells may be dedicated to Thy glory and to the benefit of Thy Holy Church."

The Bishop nods approval and the clerical collars of his colleagues disappear momentarily below a battery of clerical chins.

The value of bell installations in terms of hard cash is Mr. Chaddock's next topic. "... not to be squandered uselessly by excessive improper use or by neglect through lack of use. Take care of your bells and their fittings, for it is these which constitute one of the most effective reminders of the presence of the Church to those who may close the door to the parson. Poor quality bells and neglected ringing rooms discourage regular service ringing."

Having had his say to the officers of the Church, Mr. Chaddock turns to those of his own ilk. With just a little of his tongue in his cheek he tells us to "maintain a sense of proportion in your ringing activities, remember

your dependence on the Church for the facilities provided and contribute financially to their cost on appropriate occasions." Discussing recently published ringing statistics, he poses a question: "Is the strength of Sunday service bands keeping pace with advanced peal ringing, in view of the number of silent and undermanned towers which exist?"

A WARM COMPLIMENT

Now it is time for us to bask in warm compliment—our "splendid efforts to promote service ringing . . . frequent meetings . . . special practices . . . quarterly news sheets . . . ringing courses . . . social activities." Norman—we can't call him anything else after his last outburst—goes on to remember Sir Arthur Heywood and his work, hoping that "the Derby Diocesan Association will be inspired to go forward as part of the Exercise, hand in hand with the Church in ensuring that the message of the bells will be conveyed to the people of this island."

Mr. Chaddock sits and we clap. Thank you, Norman, we understood what you said and we like you, we clap!

The Bishop beams as he rises to reply to the toast. His voice speaks to fill the room. We all feel small beneath this great sound; the silences are deep with respect. Not to be outdone, he, too, tells his favourite stories and delights us with his confusion over the correct interpretation of "the Exercise." "Does this take the form of a gentle run around the Vicarage garden organised by my dear Archdeacon?" he asks. He remembers hearing the bells as a small boy and fitting words to the lower:

"Oh hurry up, you will be late," and to the five-minute bell:

"Late . . . late . . . late."

More scintillating humour sets us rocking in our seats before he declares his gratitude and appreciation for the work done by the ringers of his diocese.

"RACONTEUR PAR EXCELLENCE"

Enthusiastic applause carries the Bishop back to his place. "The Visitors" is then proposed and with a voice to sell vegetables in the market and a face to direct a funeral the Mayor of Chesterfield replies. First he exposes the faux pas of Malcolm Phipps, who wrote beseeching him to be brief "to make way for the entertainment to follow"; then, as if for retribution, he begins a systematic slaughter of his audience in their seats. Relentlessly he thrusts, joke after joke, anecdote upon anecdote. Tables are slapped, tears run down cheeks, sides ache and half the company has stitch. Yet he goes on, without a pause he goes on, never a quiver in his voice nor a twitch on his face, this raconteur par excellence of the Lord Mayor's Show. At last—honour is satisfied and he stops.

So ends the "formal" part of the evening; the hand strikes up and dancing begins. During a short interval a presentation is made to Mr. Fred Adams, of Staveley, chairman of the Chesterfield District for 17 years until his recent retirement. His wife is also honoured with a mammoth bouquet. More dancing,

and then the Brimington handbell ringers—what a team they are! "Invitation Waltz" and other familiar numbers charm us.

CAPITA MAGNISSIMUS

After a few more dances a bewildered band is told once again to cease playing for the presentation of Capita Magnissimus, the Association's most coveted award. As is usual, the name of the winner remains a mystery until John Arkwell, of Old Brampton, is ceremoniously summoned to the dais. Before the medal is hung about the victim's neck a citation is read with suitable solemnity by Tombstone Hughes: "... Your mother had spent many hours unravelling bell ropes to knit up again into vests needed as protection against the icy blast that greets one on entering Chesterfield Parish Church. It seemed you were bent on complete and utter ruin when, purely by chance, you met old Mr. Brampton, who took you along to see the bells being rung. Seen through bloodshot eyes the dancing bell ropes fascinated your mind. You decided to learn to ring. This new-found interest turned you from your downward path and indeed when you went on a week-end course at Lea Green it could truly be said that you had become a reformed man."

"Your respectability, together with your increasing skill as a ringer, has made you a firm favourite with the young ladies. In fact, when seen with your golf clubs over your shoulder heading for the town's most exclusive golf club, you are without doubt the most eligible bachelor in Chesterfield—though the thought of marriage keeps you in a state of perpetual terror (this is why your hair is always standing on end). It is to your credit that you have withstood this female onslaught without reverting to your old decadent ways."

"John Arkwell, it is our sincere wish that you continue to spend the rest of your days with this new-found cut of respectability and sobriety, enjoying the simple pleasures of life—like sending Christmas cards to your ringing friends and other people's wives."

John receives the medal to cheers, the band strikes up again and we dance 'til Auld Lang Syne.

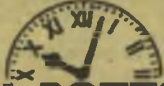
Our thanks are due (overdue) to our hosts, the Chesterfield District and to Malcolm Phipps, who has worked so hard to organise this most important occasion in the Derbyshire calendar. Good old Phippsy—book the place for next year.

HOWSHER F. ATHUR.

BARNESLEY DISTRICT SOCIETY

Mr. Harold Chant was voted to the chair at the Barnesley District Society's meeting at Kirkthorpe, near Wakefield, on April 9th. Three new members were elected and Miss Elizabeth Peace reported on the one-day course held at Selby. An appeal for help at South Kirkby, where they were trying to get their bells going again, was made by Mr. Gordon Bird. It was suggested to meet there on the third Saturday in the month. This was referred to the adjourned general meeting at Barnesley on May 14th.

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Kent Association Honour Bexley for its Annual Festival

ALTHOUGH it was not mentioned during the proceedings, the selection of Bexley for this year's Easter Monday annual meeting of the Kent County Association was a tribute to the many years of patient and conscientious work as secretary to the Lewisham District of Miss M. R. Andrews. The light eight at Bexley is where Miss Andrews is secretary and captain, and in this old-world suburb the Association held its annual meeting for the first time. But Miss Andrews revealed not only her ability as secretary and tower captain. She and Mrs. Olive Barnett accepted responsibility for feeding the throng—Mary cooking one of the turkeys and Olive the other.

Bexley Parish Church was well filled for the service, which was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. A. D. Morris, who preached an Easter sermon. Other robed clergy included Canon Gilbert Thurlow (president of the Central Council) and the Rev. Peter N. Bond. The organist was Mr. P. G. Perrin and Mr. P. A. Corby read the lessons.

During the service the following deaths were remembered:—Resident: R. Constant (Gravesend), F. A. Fairhead (Broadstairs), W. Hollands (Rainham), P. Jarvis (Bethersden), F. C. W. Knight (Ramsgate), W. C. Marshall (Bethersden), H. Gilbert (High Halden), W. L. Rayner (former auditor, of Gravesend), G. H. Cross (formerly of Barnehurst); non-resident: W. T. Beeson Canon C. C. Cox, J. T. Dyke, Mrs. E. K. Fletcher, Mrs. E. Hazelden, H. Langdon, L. A. Tidy and J. Wheadon.

Afterwards a company of 170 sat down to an excellent lunch in the Freemantle Hall. Mr. John Willis, chairman of the Association, presided and congratulated the ladies of the Lewisham District on the success of their catering. To Miss Andrews he presented a box of chocolates and asked her to convey the assembly's gratitude to all her helpers.

MANY GUESTS

The chairman had a long list of guests to welcome. They included the Revs. A. D. Morris (Vicar of Bexley), Canon P. C. Collins (Rector of Crayford), R. B. Griffin (Dartford), P. Absolon (Vicar of Erith) and Canon Gilbert Thurlow. It was a high distinction, he said, to have Canon Thurlow with them. They were proud to have in their own ranks the secretary of the Central Council, Mr. E. A. Barnett, and he could not help feeling that when he saw Canon Thurlow and "The Ringing World" Editor it was an historic day as they had, figuratively speaking, the three wise men of the East.

Canon Thurlow, replying for the visitors, said it was indeed a personal pleasure to pay a tribute to the bells and ringers in Kent and also to the Kent County Association. When he thought of the terrible things of the past it was in Kent that there was the only tower in which he had smoked a cigarette. Betty was there, and it was his one and only peak of Bristol.

Kent was a wonderful area as regarded bells and cathedrals. They had the brilliant wit at the London end, and at the other was the Archbishop of Canterbury when he was not at Lambeth. Somebody had commented on the surprising number of ringing functions he had attended in dioceses where there were vacant deaneries! (Laughter.)

A touch of Grandshire Caters "in hand" was rung by the Rev. P. N. Bond 1-2, E. J. Beer 3-4, C. S. Jarrett 5-6, B. F. L. Groves 7-8, H. Audsley 9-10.

THE MEETING

Mr. Willis presided at the meeting, supported by Mr. P. A. Corby (hon. secretary) and Mr. B. W. May (hon. treasurer).

The secretary's report, which was moved by Mr. P. A. Corby and seconded by Mr. A. G. Mason, was a comprehensive survey of the past year. It gave the membership of the Association (resident members) 1,120, associate members 69, towers in union 165, towers not in union 65. The strength in resident members of the Districts was Ashford

227, Canterbury 267, Lewisham 166, Maidstone 202, Rochester 127, Tonbridge 131.

Special activities mentioned included the rally centred on Rainham, which was a great disappointment, as only 62 people attended. The Association's dinner at Sittingbourne presented administrative difficulties, which were happily overcome by the sterling efforts of Mr. Frank Cheal. The highly successful one-day school held at Leeds, the inspiration of the chairman, attracted over 100 would-be participants. The service of thanksgiving at Milton-next-Gravesend, for the life and work of Fred Mitchell, was described as a red letter day in the life of the Association. The memorial tablet was unveiled by Mrs. Mitchell in the presence of officers of the Association and the Ancient Society of College Youths.

RESTORATION WORK

Although restoration work is in hand at Brabourne and East Malling, there is still no certainty that two trebles will be added at Brabourne, and East Malling has decided definitely only to rehang the existing six bells in a new frame. Ashford bells have been completed and Mersham bells are at the Whitechapel foundry awaiting rehangng in a new frame. All eight Sevenoaks bells have been broken up at the foundry and are to be replaced by a completely new lighter ring in a new metal frame.

The eight at Hawkhurst have been rehung, and at Bredgar the Rev. Stanley Evans is struggling to raise funds to retune the front four, cast two trebles from the tenor and to rehang the new six in a new frame. News is still awaited from Queenborough, where the bells cannot be rung pending repairs to the tower and major restoration of the church. Eynsford bells have been rehung in the existing frame, but unfortunately still without a much-needed ringing floor. There is a possibility of restoration work at Marden and there may be the generous gift of a new frame at Wittersham.

SNOOPING

A correspondence in "The Ringing World," started in a lighthearted way, seemed to get out of hand and tended to give the unfortunate and inaccurate impression that ringing in Kent was in a much worse state than in other parts of the country. "We have a great deal to learn from the criticisms of our standard of performance levelled against us, but we must at the same time maintain a sense of proportion. There is probably more good ringing taking place in the county than at any time in the last 30 years. There always has been a certain amount of first-class ringing, but the great difficulty is always to know how to bring the very indifferent ringing up to the better standard we all hope for. Many will feel that ringing meetings organised on the familiar lines do little to bring about an improvement, but the problem, particularly in a county as big as Kent, is so vast that there seems no ready alternative."

FINANCIAL POSITION

Presenting his report as treasurer, Mr. B. W. May compared the present position with what it was ten years ago. Investments in 1956 were 80 per cent. of their par value, now they were 55 per cent. and showed a depreciation of £180. The par value was almost half but the revenue received remained static. The assets of the Association in 1956 were £1,084; this year they were £1,203; so the value of the Association had gone up £119. In 1956 the Association had a balance of £143; this year it was £245. The annual general meeting now cost the Association practically nothing, and he must add his appreciation to the Lewisham District for their arrangements that day. For the last ten years they had helped towers to the extent of £257 and from the benevolent fund made grants to members of £270. The hon. treasurer moved the adoption and the hon. auditor, Mr. Arthur Richards, seconded. They were both thanked for their services.

GOOD YEAR FOR PEALS

Mr. Ian H. Oram's report as peal secretary stated that 176 peals had been rung for the Association in 1965, 33 more than last year and the second highest total in the history of the Association. There were nine handbell peals compared with one the previous year. Thirty-four members had rung their first peal, an increase of eight. There were 40 conductors (three more than last year), two of whom shared the calling in their first peal. Bernard F. L. Groves headed the list of conductors with 33, followed by Stanley Jenner 26, the peal secretary 22 and Christopher T. Osenton with 14. Peals were rung by local hands at Biggin Hill, Hawkhurst, Sturry and Tonbridge, that at Sturry containing all first-pealers. A band of resident members of average age 17 years 5 months rang a peal of four-Spiced Major, Thomas E. Sone rang his 600th for the Association, Frederick J. Cullum his 700th and Herbert E. Audsley his 1,000th—a fine achievement.

The officers were re-elected. Proposing Mr. Corby as secretary, the chairman said: "In a very long life I have had experience of many secretaries of Associations but few have come up to the high standard of Mr. Corby." Continuing in office are Mr. I. H. Oram as peal secretary ("the technical side of change ringing has never been looked after so well" was a compliment paid to him); hon. treasurer, Mr. B. W. May; hon. auditor, Mr. A. S. Richards. A ballot for the Central Council resulted in the election of Messrs. I. H. Oram, P. A. Corby, S. Jenner and Tom Cullingworth. Additional committee members: Messrs. E. Burnett, G. J. Butcher, E. J. Ladd, F. S. Macey, J. A. Russell and T. E. Sone.

LOOKING AHEAD

Future events announced were: Annual dinner at Tunbridge Wells on September 24th; one-day ringing courses: Ashford, Canterbury and Maidstone Districts on May 1st; Lewisham, Rochester and Tonbridge, May 14th. An unofficial rally centred on Cranbrook was being arranged by Mr. Michael Legg. A peal board is to be provided at Frittenden commemorating the first peal rung there in 1880, conducted by Thomas Daynes.

The many votes of thanks passed included one to the chairman proposed by Mr. Peter Carter. In reply, Mr. Willis said the cost of bell hanging and repairs had gone up by leaps and bounds. It was a grief to the committee that they were unable to make grants in proportion to the tremendous costs. He suggested that if 960 of their members gave a penny a week it would mean £4 a week extra to the Belfry Fund, or 2d. a week, £8. Each District should organise collections and money could be placed in the Post Office or other Savings Banks. Then they would be in a position to make grants to be proud of.

Replying to his vote of thanks, Mr. Corby asked members to bring to his notice projected work on bells because it was possible for them to give expert advice and prevent the unfortunate experience of one tower.

Tea was then served by the ladies and a wide choice of towers was available for further ringing.

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COLLECTION OF DOUBLES

By G. K. DODD and R. H. JONES

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 Strensam Longford
 Wragby Longford
 Alsager Thornborough
 Bierton Thornborough
 Cheadle Thornborough
 St. Cyril Shipway's
 St. German Shipway's
 Astwood New Antelope
 Boxton New Antelope
 Calderwood New Antelope
 Dexter New Antelope
 Ringstead New Antelope
 Sleaton New Antelope
 Stagsden New Antelope
 Lowton Union
 Wolf Union
 Falcon Dragon Single
 Silchester Dragon Single
 Silverdale Dragon Single
 Souldern Dragon Single
 Thurleigh Dragon Single
 Tweedsdale Dragon Single
 Handley Uffington
 Yetminster St. Andrew
 Wool Canterbury
 Romansleigh Rev. St. Martin
 Gainford Rev. Winchendon
 Coln St. Gregory
 Pebmarsh Rev. St. Osmund
 Rayne Rev. St. Remigius
 Hurworth St. Hilary
 Starlight Cranborne
 Abbeydore St. Simon
 Matlock St. Simon
 Welton St. Simon
 Willington St. Simon
 Wylam St. Simon
 Brightstone St. Martin
 Caddy St. Martin
 Unicorn St. Martin
 Wallington St. Martin
 Wharfedale St. Martin
 Clipper St. Nicholas
 Corbridge St. Nicholas
 Denbigh St. Nicholas
 Itchen St. Nicholas
 St. Osyth St. Nicholas
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 Ringbury Winchendon
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 Warrington Winchendon
 Appleford St. Osmund
 St. Weonards St. Osmund
 St. John the Baptist St. Remigius
 St. Marie St. Remigius
 Anemone Nowell
 Columbine Nowell
 Evening Primrose Nowell
 Forget-Me-Not Nowell
 Narcissus Nowell
 Ranuncula Nowell
 Snowdrop Nowell
 Ash Melvin
 Elm Melvin
 Lilac Melvin
 Maple Melvin
 Oak Melvin
 Rowan Melvin
 Yew Melvin
 Ludgershall Blaisdon
 Queen's Park Blaisdon
 Saville Blaisdon
 Tring Blaisdon

Pink's
 Wallflower
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 Wallflower
 Pink's
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 Plain Bob Pl.
 Grandsire
 Wallflower
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 Dragon
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 New Antelope Pl.
 New Grandsire Pl.
 Rev. Canterbury Pl.

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 Hardmead
 Rev. Canterbury

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Old Doubles
 Shipway's Pl.
 Plain Bob Pl.
 London Ex.
 Grandsire Ex.

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Grandsire
 Antelope
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 Grandsire Ex.
 Pink's

All Saints' Pl.
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 Old Doubles
 Grandsire Ex.
 All Saints' Pl.
 Pink's
 Antelope

Grandsire
 Antelope
 All Saints' Pl.
 Pink's

(To be continued)

SUFFOLK GUILD

At the quarterly meeting of the N.W. Suffolk District at St. Mary's, Newmarket, on April 2nd, Mr. John A. Underwood was welcomed back to the district after his stay in Leicester. Eight towers were represented and Mr. L. Wright was Ringing Master. Rougham bells will be rededicated on May 14th and a practice meeting will be held there on that day. Other meetings: June 11th, Lakenheath; July 2nd, Rougham again.

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BELFRY GOSSIP

The bells of Preston-by-Wingham (5) have been removed to the Whitechapel Foundry for repair and rehanging.

Mr. Colin Champion, vice-captain at St. Mary's, Ash, Surrey, is leaving the village to make his home at Worthing, Sussex.

Mr. Alan P. S. Berry, of Folkestone, is acting as assistant secretary to the Ashford District, Kent County Association.

Wakefield Cathedral's record of four married couples in the belfry is surpassed by St. Nicholas', Hurst, Berks, band, who have five.

Ladies are asked to refrain from wearing stiletto-type heels on the recently re-covered floors in the towers of Lichfield Cathedral, Walsall and St. Peter's, Wolverhampton.

The quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles at Abbeydore, Herefordshire, on April 2nd, was rung by the light from four candles, no other light being installed.

With regret we have received the news that Mrs. Annie McDermott (née Annie Potter) died at Walkden, Lancs, on Easter Day. The funeral service was on April 15th.

At St. Michael and All Angels', Ashton-under-Lyne, the Sunday service band rang a quarter peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal for Matins on Easter Day.

Probably the youngest to ring a quarter peal on Easter Day was Malvin Tull, aged 10, of Goring-on-Thames. He rang his first—the treble to Grandsire Triples.

Instances of two brothers ringing the tenor to a peal are rare. On Easter Monday the Ancient Society of College Youths scored a peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus at St. Paul's, London, with the brothers John and Michael Chilcott on the 62 cwt. tenor.

BEEDLESTON DOUBLES (false)

Grandsire	Bob	Single
12345	45312	24315
21354	54132	42135
23145	51423	41253
32415	15423	14253
34251	14523	14253
43521	41532	41235
45312	45123	42153
54132	54213	24513
51423	52431	25431
15243	Known as	Known as
12534	Dragon Bob	Dragon Single

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CLERICAL GUILD WEEK

This year the Clerical Guild is holding its ringing week centred on Brighton—from April 18th to 22nd. There will be two peal attempts, at Burgess Hill and St. Peter's, Brighton.

The party will consist of the following: The Revs. Prebendary J. H. B. Andrews, hon. secretary (Chittlehampton), N. F. D. Cole-ridge (Tatworth), K. C. Davis (Tadley), S. M. Evans (Bredgar), Canon K. W. H. Felstead (Southampton), D. E. Ford (Porthcawl), R. O. Fry (Portsmouth), J. B. T. Homfray (Staverton), R. Keeley (Marlborough), L. G. Ketchley (Ilfley), R. N. Longridge (Okeford Fitzpaine), C. J. B. Marshall (Long Sutton), M. C. C. Melville (King's Lynn), I. J. Richards (Llanarth), P. T. Robbins (Charing), Canon F. A. Sanders (Overton), D. Sansum (Birmingham), R. D. St. J. Smith (Darley), R. W. Thomas (Tenby), J. Tomsett (Surbiton), H. F. Warren (Exford), E. B. Wood (Mapledurham); for part of the time P. R. Blackman (Ratby), A. Clayton (London).

ST. JAMES' BOB ROYAL

This week we publish the first peal of St. James' Bob Royal rung at Worsley. The conductor, Mr. Dennis Mottershead, points out that the peal is a true extension of St. James' Youths' Exercise Bob Minor. He suggests that anyone wishing to conduct a peal in this method would find it useful to keep a check not on actual coursing orders but rather on their reverse.

200th ANNIVERSARY OF HORSHAM'S FIRST PEAL

Ringling in the peal at Horsham—recorded in this issue—was Mr. Leslie Weller, who thinks that he may well be connected with Harry Weller, who rang in the first peal (Grandsire Triples) on the bells on April 11th, 1766. The eight bells came from recasting the old six in 1752. The 32 cwt. tenor of that time in consequence gave way to the tenor of today (23 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb.).

These ringers of 200 years ago had the same enthusiasm as the present generation. Not only did they ring a number of peals—Grandsire and Union Triples and Bob Major at Horsham—but they walked many miles to ring peals at Bolney, Uckfield, Leatherhead and St. Nicholas', Brighton. They opened the new bells at Storrington and Lyminster in 1766 and later spent a week-end at Guildford and Farnham. An attempt for a peal on April 11th, 1866, for the 100th anniversary, failed, but on April 11th, 1966, for the 200th, a band, mainly connected with Horsham, was successful, and a worthy peal was rung.

A CHESTER GUILD DIAMOND WEDDING

Many congratulations from the Chester Diocesan Guild were extended to Mr. and Mrs. A. Frost on their diamond wedding day on March 31st. A quarter peal of Plain Bob was rung that day at Cheadle, where Mr. Frost still rings for Sunday services and also attends on practice nights. He is a vice-president of the Chester Diocesan Guild and also a life member, having a long association with the Stockport Branch.

His family, friends, members of the tower and wives attended a party in honour of the occasion on April 2nd, and our correspondent adds: "A good time was had by all."

A CODE OF SUFFOLK TOWERS

The 1965 annual report of the Suffolk Guild contains in its index of towers a code showing the condition of the ring. It would be helpful if such a code were universal. Here are the details:—

10. Excellent ball bearings, modern frame and fittings.
9. Excellent plain bearings, modern frame and fittings or ball bearings in an old frame.
8. Good going order.
7. Fair going order.
6. Poor going order.
5. Ringable if cleaned up and odd fittings and ropes provided.
4. Ringable with a degree of risk after making odd repairs.
3. Unringable, mainly because of tower, and/or frame arrangement, and position.
2. Unringable, mainly because of frame and/or fittings.
1. Hung dead.
0. Some bells unhung and on the ground.

The following towers are given in classes 10 and 9 (excellent): Acton, Aldeburgh, Ashbocking, Badingham, Barking, Beccles, Blythburgh, Brandon, Bredfield, Bures, Buxhall, Cavendish, Cotton, Debenham, Dennington, Elveden, Eriswell, Grundisburgh, Hartest, Hasketon, Henley, Higham St. Mary, Holmesley, Ipswich St. Margaret, Kedington, Lavenham, Leiston, Marlesford, Long Melton, Mildenhall, Newmarket St. Mary, Oakley, Great Oulton, Otley, Polstead, Rattlesden, Saxmundham, Stoke-by-Nayland, Stonham Aspell, Stradbroke, Tannington, Theberton, Great Thurlow, Tunstall, Ufford, Wenhamston and Wingfield.

HIS "BOB-A-JOB" ASSIGNMENT

A novel assignment was given to Keith Talbot, who rang his first quarter peal at Chester-le-Street on Easter Sunday. It was to recruit one of his fellow scouts as a completely raw recruit to act as the subject for the demonstration of teaching the initial stages of bell control in the recent Lumley course.

Also participating in the quarter peal was Peter D. Wenham, who rang his previous quarter peal almost 19 years ago. During that interval he has been out of ringing for many years and been abroad on Army service. The sound of Chester-le-Street bells showed that his interest was not dead but dormant and he has been a welcome and enthusiastic addition to the local band.

THE MAIN CREDIT

Mr. David Floyd writes regarding his documenting the peals of the Witney and Woodstock Branch since its formation in 1902, that main credit should be given to Canon K. W. H. Felstead, who supplied him with a list of all the peals rung in the towers of the Branch, going back as far as 1814. "I would not have been able to do this without going to a considerable amount of work if it had not been for Canon Felstead," he adds.

55th ANNIVERSARY OF FIRST PEAL

Easter Monday is an important anniversary for Mr. W. J. Rawlings, of Beckingham. Apologising for his absence from the Kent annual meeting at Bexley, he wrote: "Easter Monday is a memorable day for me, as 55 years ago I took part in my first peal." In it was his brother George, now 81, and it was conducted by George Daynes. Also ringing were Billy Weatherstone, Isaac Shade and Joe Law.

WOOTTON (OXON) MOBILISES DORMANT TALENT

Eighteen months ago the six bells of St. Mary's, Wootton, Oxon, were hardly ever rung. It was decided to try to get a team together for service ringing. As in many villages, there were quite a few people who could handle a bell, and there were some who could ring Grandsire Doubles. On the Sunday before Christmas, 1964, about half a dozen village ringers met and rang for Evensong. The ringing was pretty good considering that there had been no regular ringing for some years. On this occasion Grandsire was rung, and the six-scores came round without too much difficulty.

Since that Sunday evening the band have met and rung for almost every Sunday, the exceptions being due to illness. Service ringing is mainly confined to Evensong, though on special occasions morning ringing is substituted. Practices were commenced at the beginning of 1965, in which a few youngsters were taught to handle a bell, some more older ringers joined in, and Grandsire brought up to a reasonable standard. In October, Plain Bob Doubles was introduced and mastered in a couple of months.

The majority of the team have attended the Branch practices at some time or another. On some occasions, instead of holding their own practice at their own tower, they have visited other towers. At the present time the band are tackling Bob Minor, and are making good progress.

The highlight was the ringing of a quarter peal on April 1st at the first attempt. This was the first time that a complete village team had rung a quarter. This consisted of 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire) by H. Morris 1, D. Cleaver 2, A. H. Hoare 3, J. Venn 4, E. R. Venn (conductor) 5, W. J. Buggins 6.

Sunday ringing is from 5.15 p.m. until 6 p.m.; practice night Friday from 7.15 until 8.30 p.m. Visiting ringers are always welcome. It is suggested, however, that anyone contemplating coming to the Friday practice should telephone Woodstock 508 beforehand.

E. R. V.

EDUCATION AND SUNDAY SERVICE RINGING COMMITTEE

Dear Sir.—When the Council next meets there will no doubt be quite a change in its composition, and hence in the personnel available for the work of various committees. One phase of the work of the above committee is to facilitate the organisation of annual or two-yearly talks at theological colleges on various aspects of church bells and bellringing. This involves contacts with various theological colleges and with officers or persons responsible for the lectures. A good deal of correspondence is involved. We would welcome on to this committee someone interested in taking over this work.

I shall be grateful to hear by post from, or of, any suitable Council member who might be prepared to accept nomination for this purpose when the Council meets.

Since it is not always possible to find a willing person at short notice, I take the liberty of making this need known in advance.—Yours sincerely,

NORMAN CHADDOCK.

17, Herringthorpe Grove,
Rotherham.

TOWER BELL PEALS

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

LONDON, E.C.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Paul.

On Sat., April 11, 1966, in 4 Hours and 3 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 62 cwt. in B flat.

Roger F. Overington .. Treble	John Phillips 7
Wilfred Williams 2	John S. Mason 8
Brooke K. Lunn 3	Michael P. Moreton .. 9
Andrew N. Stubbs 4	John H. Crampson .. 10
David P. Hilling 5	Philip A. F. Chalk .. 11
Antony R. Kench 6	Michael V. Chilcott .. Tenor
Composed by John Carter.	John Chilcott
	Conducted by Wilfred Williams.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CURRY RIVEL, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., April 2, 1966, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 HARLOW SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 21 lb. in E.

Frank D. Mack Treble	Andrew Howard 5
Gillian M. Hussey 2	D. John Hunt 6
Margaret A. Bould 3	John C. Slater 7
Alan Tubbs 4	Rev. Roger O. Fry Tenor
Composed by S. Jenner.	Conducted by D. John Hunt.
First in the method for the Association, on the bells and by all the band.	

DRAYTON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Catherine.

On Sat., April 2, 1966, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. in E.

D. John Hunt Treble	Trevor A. Cross 5
*Margaret A. Bould 2	Alan Tubbs 6
*Andrew Howard 3	John C. Slater 7
Gillian M. Hussey 4	Frank D. Mack Tenor
Composed by P. G. K. Davies.	Conducted by D. John Hunt
* First peal of Pudsey.	

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

FAIRFIELD, BUXTON.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., March 26, 1966, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

Joyce Grainger Treble	Hilary F. Pardoe 5
Norman Sherratt 2	Anthony P. Foster 6
Harold Dowler 3	Richard Wharton 7
Geoffrey R. Gardner .. 4	Dennis Latham Tenor
Composed by A. Craven.	Conducted by Geoffrey R. Gardner.
First peal of Surprise as conductor.	

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

On Mon., April 11, 1966, in 3 Hours.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Bruerton's Twelve Part.	Tenor 14 cwt. 2 gr. 18 lb.
Alex Merrill Treble	John E. Brough 5
Frederick S. Sutton 2	Frank Ollier 6
Herbert Sutton 3	*Frank Barnard 7
Frank R. Morton 4	Wilfred Smith Tenor
Conducted by John E. Brough.	

* Completes the "circle."

Rung to mark the recent wedding of Miss Janet M. Brough, daughter of the conductor, to Michael P. Pointon.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CAMBRIDGE.—At the Church of St. Mary the Great.

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

A PEAL OF 5059 GRANDSIRE CINQUES

Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

*Heather Walters Treble	†Laurence E. Hitchens .. 7
†Robert C. Kippin 2	John Hartless 8
†David P. Hilling 3	†Brian J. Luff 9
†Michael J. Thomas .. 4	†David E. House 10
Philip N. Tubbs 5	James A. D. Woolford .. 11
†Frank L. Harris 6	A. Patrick Cannon Tenor
Composed by Nolan Golden.	Conducted by Robert C. Kippin.
* First peal on 12 bells. † First of Grandsire Cinques. First on 12 bells as conductor.	

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

CHELMSFORD, Essex.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., April 11, 1966, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 34 cwt. 28 lb. in C.

Peter G. Brown Treble	A. Patrick Cannon 7
Susan Rothera 2	Brian J. Luff 8
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. 3	Frank L. Harris 9
Philip J. Rothera 4	Rev. Roger O. Fry 10
George E. Thoday 5	Robert C. Kippin 11
Philip N. Tubbs 6	James L. Towler Tenor
Composed by C. H. Hattersley.	Conducted by Philip N. Tubbs.
Mr. A. P. Cannon's 800th tower for a peal.	

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

GOLDHANGER, Essex.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., April 2, 1966, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 gr. 1 lb. in A flat.

Peter G. Brown Treble	Ian R. Panton 5
*Joe E. G. Roast 2	Christopher K. Cooper .. 6
†Yvonne A. Murray .. 3	*Dennis A. S. Symonds .. 7
†Richard J. Harrison .. 4	James L. Towler Tenor
Composed by C. J. Sedgley (No. 5).	Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.
* 250th peal together. † First peal in the method.	

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

WARMLEY, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Barnabas.

On Mon., April 11, 1966, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 118 methods/variations, viz.: (1) St. Remigius, St. Nicholas and Winchendon Place, (2) St. Cleer, St. Cecelia and Horsley, (3) St. Mary, Lapley and Shreshill, (4) Ryton, St. Crispin and St. John, (5) St. Osmund, St. Simon and St. Martin, (6) Warmley, St. Catherine and Olympic, (7) Wavendon Place, Simpson and Wroughton, (8) St. Felix, St. Ninian and St. Austell, (9) St. Britius, St. Kenelm and St. Laud, (10) Eynsham, Elford and St. Jude, (11) Henry Place, Spindleberry and Susanmead, (12) St. Leonard, Austrey and St. Laurence, (13) Burnham, Stirling and Twyford, (14) Cavendish, Clayton and St. Cuthbert, (15) All Saints and Rushall, (16) Alveley, Oldswinford and Salwarpe, (17) Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston and St. David, (8) Cowslip, Wallflower and St. Neots, (19) Wychbold, Maseley and St. Adwena, (20) Honeysuckle, Chinnor and St. Radigund, (21) Marlow, Evenlode and St. Christopher, (22) Foxton, Oddington and Wilby, (23) Daybrook, Easter and Nuxton, (24) Kingswood, Windrush and Wollaston, (25) Anril Dav, Litchurch and Seighford, (26) Buttercup, Violet and Bedlow, (27) Dedworth, Primrose and St. Clement's, (28) St. Thomas the Martyr, Worthington and Cherwell, (29) Bladon Godshill and Nettlebed, (30) St. Faworth, Trinity and Weston, (31) Shenley, Trent and Derwent, (32) Avon, Frome and Pennwell, (33) Ashley, Ashbourne and St. Paulin, (34) Mayfield, Lullington and Garsington, (35) Reverse St. Bartholomew and Northrepps, (36) Newborough, St. Helen and Pinks, (37) Bluebell and Daffodil, (38) Longparish and Middleton Stonev, (39) Keysoe and Zennor, (40) St. Lucy and St. Quintin, (41) Allestree and St. Anne, (42) Ladbroke and Grandsire.

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 gr. 25 lb.

Derek M. Smith Treble	William Lampard 4
Elizabeth A. Webb 2	Anthony W. Gibbs 5
Edric Owens 3	Kenneth G. Weeks Tenor

Conducted by Anthony W. Gibbs.

Most Doubles methods/variations to a peal for all the band, on the bells and for the Association. Rung by a Sunday service band.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

WORPLESDON, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., March 21, 1966, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 gr. 22 lb. in E flat.

David D. Smith Treble	Kenneth Newman 5
*Richard O. Humphries .. 2	Tom Page 6
*David J. Tubbs 3	Derek E. Sibson 7
Stanley G. Ponting 4	W. Leslie Weller Tenor
Composed by Ian M. Holland.	Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.
* First peal in the method.	

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

STAUNTON-ON-WYE, Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Sun., April 10, 1966, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.	Tenor 10 cwt.
Colin A. Lewis Treble	Frederick R. Harris .. 4
John W. Hope 2	Reginald Preece 5
Leslie Evans 3	Robert A. Hatcher Tenor

Conducted by Robert A. Hatcher.

Colin A. Lewis has now "circled the tower."
Rung to celebrate the Easter Festival and as a compliment to Michael V. Powell and Veronica M. Monger, who were married on April 2nd.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

NORTON, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., April 2, 1966, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5600 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt.

Robert D. Bellamy .. Treble	David E. Rothera 5
J. Stuart Hutton 2	George E. Thoday 6
*Audrey R. Alexander .. 3	C. Michael Orme 7
George E. Bonham 4	Philip Mehew Tenor
Composed by C. Middleton.	Conducted by Philip Mehew.

* First of Cambridge Surprise Major.
Rung with the band's best wishes to June I. Dear and Gwilym Thomas, married at Baldock this day.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ST. ALBANS, Herts.—At the Church of St. Stephen.
On Sat., April 2, 1966, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In three methods, being three extents of London and two each of Norwich and Cambridge.

Walter Ayre	Treble	Eric Edmondson	4
*Paula Healing	2	Gerald Penney	5
†Nina B. Thomas	3	†Antony R. Kench	Tenor

Conducted by Walter Ayre.

* First peal away from the treble † First in more than one method and first of Surprise Minor "inside." ‡ 100th peal of Surprise.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

COLEMAN'S HATCH, Sussex.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., April 2, 1966, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5152 WOODSTOCK SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr 2 lb. in G.

Philip A. Corby	Treble	Edward J. Jenner	5
D. Paul Smith	2	Tony Lewis	6
Richard Hayes	3	Andrew J. Corby	7
Ann Jenner	4	Stanley Jenner	Tenor

Composed by Richard J. Parker. Conducted by Stanley Jenner.
First peal in the method by all the band and for the Association.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

MANCHESTER.—At the Town Hall.

On Sat., April 9, 1966, in 4 Hours and 5 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 42 cwt. 2 qr. 25 lb. in B.

Kenneth Davenport	Treble	Jeffrey Brannan	7
Geoffrey Fearnough	2	Edward Jenkins	8
John Worth	3	Alan McFall	9
Christine Andrew	4	Denis Mottershead	10
C. Kenneth Lewis	5	Neil D. Lomas	11
Basil Jones	6	Brian Harris	Tenor

Composed by F. Deuch. Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.

WORSLEY, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Mark.

On Sat., March 19, 1966, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 ST. JAMES' BOB ROYAL

Tenor 24 cwt.

Sidney Hough	Treble	Brian A. Tomlinson	6
Alan Sharples	2	Peter J. Wycherley	7
Kenneth R. Davenport	3	Neil D. Lomas	8
Dennis Latham	4	Jeffrey Brannan	9
Christine Andrew	5	Denis Mottershead	Tenor

Composed by E. Francis. Conducted by Denis Mottershead.
The first peal in the method which is the true extension of St. James' Youths' Exercise Bob Minor.

FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, Lancs.—At the Church of

St. John the Evangelist.

On Wed., March 30, 1966, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

*Thomas Hobson	Treble	John R. Partington	5
†Allan Kegan	2	Albert Greenhalgh	6
*Michael Thompson	3	Harold Worrall	7
Margaret E. Fort	4	John Ashcroft	Tenor

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by John Ashcroft.

* First peal in the method. † First of Major.
A compliment to Canon P. A. Wrigley on his election as Proctor in Convocation.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

WHITWICK, Leics.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.

On Friday, March 18, 1966, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

Edwin Deakin	Treble	Ron Hughes	5
*Colin Lord	2	G. Ronald Edwards	6
Arthur E. Rowley	3	Joseph W. Cotton	7
John Rawson	4	Roland Beniston	Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Roland Beniston.

* First peal of Double Norwich.
Arranged to mark the birth of a daughter to the conductor.

GREAT GLEN, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Cuthbert.

On Sat., April 2, 1966, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Raymond H. Martin	Treble	†E. G. Slater	4
*Edward C. Cowd	2	Judith K. Morris	5
Arnold S. Goad	3	Edward W. Martin	Tenor

Conducted by Edward W. Martin.

* First peal of Minor. † First peal.
Rung for the wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Goad.

ST. JAMES' BOB ROYAL

30 . 14 . 50 . 16 . 70 . 18 x 10 x
Half-lead 70. Lead-head 1684029375.
1648203957.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CASTON, Norfolk.—At the Church of the Holy Cross.

On Sat., March 26, 1966, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in 12 methods, viz.: (1) London Surprise, (2) Norwich Surprise, (3) Cambridge Surprise, (4) Combined Oxford and Kent T.B., (5) Thelwall, Double Oxford, Childwall and St. Clement's Bob, (6) Single Oxford and Plain Bob (7) Double Court.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb. in A flat.

David Cubitt	Treble	*Henry Tooke	4
Frank C. J. Arnold	2	Martin Cubitt	5
William Clover	3	*Leslie F. Bailey	Tenor

Conducted by Leslie F. Bailey.

* 50th peal together. Most methods rung to a peal on the bells.
Rung as a compliment to Canon H. E. King on the 25th year of his ministry in the parish of Caston.

THE OXFORD SOCIETY.

OXFORD.—At Magdalen College.

On Sat., April 2, 1966, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5079 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 19 cwt. in E.

Walter F. Judge	Treble	Frederick Sharpe	6
William Hibbert	2	Frederick C. White	7
Frederick A. H. Wilkins	3	Brian R. White	8
Philip Walker	4	Francis A. White	9
Neil I. Allnatt	5	J. Richard Chaundy	Tenor

Composed by Charles W. Roberts. Conducted by Walter F. Judge.
The first peal on the bells since rehanging by Messrs. White, of Appleton, Berks.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Sat., March 12, 1966, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb.

Anne B. Speed	Treble	Kenneth J. Hesketh	6
Malcolm J. V. Chown	2	*John K. Foot	7
Maryl R. Crossthwaite	3	Ian C. Maycock	8
Susan Rothera	4	John H. Fielden	9
Philip J. Rothera	5	Richard F. B. Speed	Tenor

Conducted by Richard F. B. Speed.

* First peal of Royal.

A 21st birthday compliment to Mrs. J. K. Foot.

ROTHWELL, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., March 19, 1966, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5024 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In six methods, comprising 1,056 Cambridge, 960 Superlative, 960 Pudsey, 800 Bristol, 672 London and 576 Watford, with 135 changes of method.

Tenor 21 cwt. 3 lb.

Stephen Ivins	Treble	Alan J. Frost	5
Diana M. Frost	2	Alan A. Paul	6
Roger W. Smith	3	Richard F. B. Speed	7
*Murray A. Coleman	4	Peter Border	Tenor

Composed by Albert J. Pitman. Conducted by Richard F. B. Speed.

* First peal of six-spliced.

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

On Sun., March 27, 1966, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb.

Roger W. Smith	Treble	Alan A. Paul	5
Diana M. Frost	2	Charles E. Truman	6
Malcolm J. V. Chown	3	Alan J. Frost	7
Barry E. Saunders	4	Richard F. B. Speed	Tenor

Composed by James W. Washbrook. Conducted by Richard F. B. Speed.

THE ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.

TENBY, Pembrokeshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., April 11, 1966, in 3 Hours.

A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

*Thomas A. Osborne	Treble	W. Gwyn Thomas	5
†Christopher H. Jenkins	2	Ivor Jenkins	6
Richard C. Warburton	3	L. Henry Jenkins	7
*Jack P. G. Webb	4	Ivor R. Nichols	Tenor

Composed by A. Knights. Conducted by Ivor R. Nichols.

* First peal in the method. † First on eight bells. First peal in the method on the bells.
Rung as a 100th birthday compliment to Mrs. Kate Jenkins, widow of Mr. R. H. Jenkins, formerly tower captain at Tenby, 1900-1945. The ringers of 2nd, 6th and 7th are her great-great-nephew, great-nephew and nephew respectively.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM
KING'S NORTON, Birmingham.—At the Church of St. Nicolas.
 On Sat., March 12, 1966 in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
 Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb. in E.
 Henry H. Fearn Treble Stephen W. Barton 5
 George E. Fearn 2 Roderick W. Pipe 6
 *Pauline M. Fearn 3 Clifford A. Barron 7
 Raymond Aldington .. 4 John N. Lindon Tenor
 Composed by J. J. Parker. Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.
 * First peal and first attempt.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
HODNET, Shropshire.—At the Church of St. Luke.
 On Sat., March 26, 1966, in 3 Hours and 50 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
 Tenor 12 cwt. 24 lb. in F.
 E. Marion Key Treble Richard E. Morris 5
 *John A. Roden 2 Roger L. Hawksworth .. 6
 †Cyril Griffiths 3 Edward V. Rodenhurst .. 7
 *Charles F. W. Eyre .. 4 Barnabas G. Key Tenor
 Composed by W. H. Inglesant. Conducted by Barnabas G. Key.
 * First peal in the method. † First of the method "inside." The
 ringer of the 5th has now "circled the tower."
 A birthday compliment to Miss G. Griffiths, daughter of the ringer
 of the third.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
BALDERTON, Notts.—At the Church of St. Giles.
 On Sat., April 2, 1966, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
 Comprising 2,944 London, 736 Cambridge and Superlative, 640
 Bristol, with 112 changes of method. Tenor 8 cwt. 24 lb.
 John Walden Treble Beryl N. Reed 5
 *Mary C. Poyner 2 Walter Tomlinson 6
 George E. Feirn 3 Harry Poyner 7
 John Freeman 4 Colin W. Reed Tenor
 Composed by E. C. S. Turner. Conducted by John Freeman.
 * First peal of Spliced Surprise Major.

HOLME PIERREPONT, Notts.—At the Church of St. Edmund.
 On Sat., March 26, 1966, in 2 hours and 30 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
 Being seven different extents. Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr.
 *P. Joe Church Treble John Hallett 4
 †Elizabeth J. Foster .. 2 George A. Dawson 5
 †Christopher Starbuck .. 3 Simon Humphrey Tenor
 Conducted by George A. Dawson.
 * First peal. † First peal "inside."
 A farewell to John R. Pratchett, of Southwell, on the eve of
 his departure to London.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
KINGSWOOD, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Andrew.
 On Easter Monday, April 11, 1966, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
 In the following extents: (1) Oxford T.B., (2) Cambridge, (3) St.
 Clement's, (4) Plain Bob, (5) Kent, (6, 7) Plain Bob.
 Tenor 17 cwt. in E.
 *Peter R. Daws Treble †Ian Wickens 4
 †Richard H. Youdale .. 2 †Christopher W. Daws .. 5
 †John L. Hayns 3 Stanley G. Ponting .. Tenor
 Conducted by Christopher W. Daws.
 * First peal. † First on six. † First in five methods.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
RUSPER, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.
 On Mon., March 14, 1966, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5024 SUSSEX SURPRISE MAJOR
 Tenor 14 cwt. in F.
 Ian M. Robinson Treble Tom Page 5
 Ronald F. Diserens .. 2 †George Francis 6
 Richard O. Humphries .. 3 *Derek E. Sibson 7
 *Stanley G. Ponting .. 4 W. Leslie Weller Tenor
 Composed by John R. Mayne. Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.
 * 50th peal together. † 200th peal. First peal in the method by
 all the band and for the Association.
 Rung to mark the silver wedding of Stanley and Olive Ponting.

HORSHAM, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
 On Mon., April 11, 1966, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
 J. J. Parker's 6-part, No. 2. Tenor 23 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb.
 Leonard Stilwell Treble Cecil R. Longhurst .. 5
 Thomas G. Fox 2 George Francis 6
 Basil W. White 3 W. Leslie Weller 7
 Edgar R. Rapley 4 *Luther H. Bourne Tenor
 Conducted by Leonard Stilwell.
 * First peal.
 Rung on the 200th anniversary of the first peal on the bells.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
ROPLEY, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.
 On Sat., April 2, 1966, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
 Being seven different extents. Tenor 15 cwt. 23 lb.
 Keith Sansom Treble Leslie A. Tremear .. 4
 *Kay J. Tremear 2 David M. Hughes 5
 Mary E. White 3 †R. Brian Walton Tenor
 Conducted by R. Brian Walton.
 * First peal. † First of Minor.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
NETHERTON, DUDLEY, Worcs.—At the Church of St. Andrew.
 On Mon., April 4, 1966, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5376 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
 Tenor 13 cwt. 3 lb. in F sharp.
 Edward W. Colley Treble Michael J. Fellows .. 5
 Brian J. Luff 2 Roderick W. Pipe 6
 John R. Insley 3 John C. Eisel 7
 James Insley 4 Martin D. Fellows .. Tenor
 Composed by Roger Baldwin. Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
DONCASTER, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. George.
 On Sat., April 2, 1966, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
 Tenor 30½ cwt.
 M. Susan Jackson Treble Neil Donovan 5
 W. Eric Critchley 2 Michael J. Crowder .. 6
 Howard Scott 3 Stuart Armeson 7
 Gibson Jackson 4 Richard E. Price Tenor
 Composed by S. J. Ivin. Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

HUNTINGTON, Yorks.—At the Church of All Saints.
 On Sat., March 5, 1966, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
 Tenor 5 cwt. 17 lb. in B flat.
 Sedman H. Steel Treble *David Pearson 4
 Derek J. Jones 2 Bert Sutton 5
 Michael D. Staniforth .. 3 Alan Leggett Tenor
 Conducted by Alan Leggett.
 * First peal of Surprise.

HEMINGBOROUGH, Yorks.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
 On Good Friday, April 8, 1966, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
 Being three extents of Kent T.B. and four extents of Plain Bob.
 Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.
 Joan B. Hingley Treble John Potts 4
 Margaret Whitehead .. 2 G. Frederick Terry .. 5
 Derek J. Swann 3 Ronald R. Warford .. Tenor
 Conducted by Ronald R. Warford.
 Rung half-muffled at the request of the Vicar.

HUNTINGTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.
 On Mon., April 11, 1966, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
 Being two extents of Kent T.B. and five extents of Plain Bob, with
 5-6 the right way throughout. Tenor 5 cwt. 17 lb. in B flat.
 Edwin P. King Treble *John Hartley 4
 *Mary I. Hildred 2 Susan E. Thompson .. 5
 *Terrence W. Brighton .. 3 A. Colin Banton Tenor
 Conducted by A. Colin Banton.
 * First peal of Minor. First peal in two methods for all
 except the conductor, and on the bells.

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HANDBELL PEALS

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MARPLE, Cheshire.—At Bombay, 24, Ridge Crescent, Hawk Green.

On Wed., April 6, 1966, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor size 11 in G.

J. David Atkinson .. 1-2 | Robert B. Smith .. 5-6

C. Kenneth Lewis .. 3-4 | Brian Harris .. 7-8

John Worth .. 9-10

Composed and Conducted by Robert B. Smith.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

COVENTRY.—At 68, Warwick Avenue.

On Mon., April 4, 1966, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5067 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor size 15 in C.

Ernest Sibley .. 1-2 | Geoffrey Pratt .. 5-6

Frank W. Perrens .. 3-4 | Hubert E. Ashley .. 7-8

Hubert G. Summers .. 9-10

Composed by J. E. Groves. Conducted by Frank W. Perrens.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.—At 5, Moat Close.

On Tues., March 29, 1966, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor size 15 in C.

S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 1-2 | John R. Mayne .. 5-6

Christopher W. Woolley .. 3-4 | Roger Baldwin .. 7-8

Gerald Penney .. 9-10

Composed by J. A. Burford. Conducted by John R. Mayne.

BUSHEY HEATH, Hertfordshire.—At 39, Titian Avenue.

On Tues., April 5, 1966, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5344 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In eight methods, comprising 992 of Bristol, 768 each of Cambridge, Pudsey and Watford, and 512 each of Kendal, London, Superlative and Wembley, with 133 changes of method.

Tenor size 15 in C.

S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 1-2 | Roger Baldwin .. 5-6

John R. Mayne .. 3-4 | Christopher W. Woolley .. 7-8

Composed by Albert J. Pitman. Conducted by John R. Mayne.

DATE TOUCH

WOLLATON, NOTTS.—On March 27th, 1966

Minor ("16 Spliced Kent T.B. and Normanton S.A., and 1,250 Cambridge S.): Jane Blackler 1, J. C. Shonfeld 2, S. Humphrey (cond.) 3, R. Blackler 4, P. W. Hawcock 5, P. Humphrey 6. Started from and ended with rounds, with no change repeated 3 times.

ABBEYDOR, HEREFORDS.—On April 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Ann Butcher 1, R. I. Brewer 2, F. W. Oakley 3, F. E. J. Reynolds 4, J. J. Webb (cond.) 5, A. Brewer 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam F. A. Oakley, aged 92, father of the ringer of the 3rd. He was a ringer at this church for many years.

ASH, SURREY.—On March 27th, 1,272 Minor (552 Kent, 720 Plain Bob): Miss J. M. Vince 1, Mrs. A. J. Smart 2, J. C. Collier 3, M. E. Denyer 4, P. G. Smart 5, P. G. Sherwood (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

ASHTED, SURREY.—On April 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Caroline Gibbs 1, Valerie Perrott (first "inside") 2, Felicity Hamilton (first of Minor) 3, J. Hayas 4, Tony Skilton (first as cond.) 5, R. Mills 6. For Evensong.

BALDOCK, HERTS.—On April 3rd, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: R. Pettet (first of Major) 1, J. Orme 2, E. Fearn 3, E. Buck 4, R. Trebilcock 5, L. Hughes 6, R. Castledine (cond.) 7, J. Dear 8. Rung as a compliment to June Dear and Gwilym Thomas, married at this church the previous day.

BATH, SOMERSET.—At the Church of St. Michael with St. Paul, on April 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (11 methods): J. G. Hobbs 1, A. Swatton 2, P. J. Devrell 3, D. C. Hawkins 4, G. J. Hawkins (cond.) 5, B. Sarll 6. First in eleven methods for all the band. Rung to welcome the new Rector, Rev. G. Holden.

BURFORD, OXON.—On April 3rd, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. K. E. Hall 1, F. W. Soden 2, F. Reed (cond.) 3, J. W. Dixon 4, J. J. Westmacott 5, W. F. Scudamore 6, B. W. Hall 7, W. J. Dixon 8. For Evensong.

BURRINGTON, SOMERSET.—On March 26th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): C. Reason 1, B. Mills 2, G. Gilling (cond.) 3, C. Wilson 4, P. Watts 5, H. Gilling 6. For two weddings.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

GRAVESEND, Kent.—At 13, Meadow Road.

On Tues., March 22, 1966, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor size 15 in C.

Edward J. Beer .. 1-2 | Christopher T. Osenton .. 5-6

*Frank J. Matthews .. 3-4 | Stuart Sandford .. 7-8

Composed by J. Vicars. Conducted by Christopher T. Osenton.

* First peal of Triples "in hand."

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

STONEY STANTON, Leicestershire.—At Long Leys House.

On Tues., March 22, 1966, in 2 Hours and 1 Minute.

A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

John Vernon .. 1-2 | Alfred Ballard .. 5-6

A. Maxwell Lindsey .. 3-4 | Michael Vernon .. 7-8

Composed by James Nicholl. Conducted by Michael Vernon.

Rung in memoriam Leonard Hewitt, interred at Stoney Stanton this day in his 86th year, late of Coalbrookdale and Gloucester Cathedral, and sometime member of the Central Council.

STONEY STANTON, Leicestershire.—At Long Leys House.

On Tues., April 5, 1966, in 1 Hour and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being four extents of Kent and three of Oxford. Tenor size 15 in C.

John Vernon .. 1-2 | Alfred Ballard .. 3-4

Michael Vernon (cond.) .. 5-6

A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Dickenson, of Stockingford, on their wedding anniversary.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

BURTON-ON-STATHER, Lincolnshire.—At Gleadlands.

On Wed., March 16, 1966, in 2 Hours and 19 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 14½ in C sharp.

Gwen I. Bloomfield .. 1-2 | Jack Bray .. 5-6

*John Hall .. 3-4 | C. Aubrey Harrison .. 7-8

Composed by F. Bennett. Conducted by Jack Bray.

* 100th peal.

QUARTER PEALS

CAPEL, SURREY.—On March 24th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: R. D. Mills 1, P. J. Munday 2, Hannah M. Penfold 3, Alice M. Ward 4, M. Morris 5, D. J. Herschell (first in method as cond.) 6. First of Treble Bob 2 and 5. A compliment to Alice Ward and Brian Howe, on their engagement.

CHARTHAM, KENT.—On Jan. 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Carol C. Bunn 1, Christine A. McGarrick (first "inside") 2, A. B. Eldridge 3, D. W. Standing 4, R. H. Glover (cond.) 5, K. I. Davis (first on cover bell) 6. Rung for Sunday service.

CHIDDISTONE, KENT.—On April 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: S. Gribble (first on working bell) 1, R. J. Everest 2, C. Cheseman 3, N. J. Butcher 4, P. R. Everest 5, R. W. H. Hayes (cond.) 6, G. Cheseman 7, W. J. Bear 8. Rung with best wishes on her birthday to Cherryll Cheseman.

COITY, GLAM.—On March 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. J. Godfrey (first quarter) 1, Christine Brett 2, W. T. Petty (cond.) 3, H. Preece 4, T. E. Hiddins 5, N. V. Hill 6.

CROYDON, SURREY.—On April 3rd, at the Church of St. John the Baptist, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: R. Davies 1, Miss C. Snelling 2, G. H. Humphries 3, A. Brown 4, G. Fisher 5, C. M. Foster 6, N. Brown 7, K. Taber 8, R. C. Stevens 9, N. G. T. Steere (cond.) 10. For Evensong.

DEDDINGTON, OXON.—On Easter Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: R. G. Berry 1, W. Ivings 2, Janet D. Phillips 3, W. F. Cowley 4, C. C. Clarke (cond.) 5, H. N. Pratley 6, A. W. Ivings 7, J. K. Pratley 8. For morning service, also for the wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cowley.

EAST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.—On April 7th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: C. Jane Smart 1, Valerie J. Howard 2, Janet M. Blake 3, A. J. Hart 4, M. P. Howard 5, J. A. Howard 6, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 7, W. T. Davies 8. First in method by all except conductor. Rung at the Vicar's request for Maundy Thursday service. Also on Easter Sunday, 1,232 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Major: J. H. Griffin 1, Glenda M. Beckett 2, Charlotte M. Harris 3, Valerie J. Howard 4, D. Slater 5, M. P. Howard 6, J. A. Howard 7, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 8. First in method by all.

ELING, HANTS.—On March 27th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: D. C. Jackson 1, Gladys D. Northway 2, Anne Buchanan 3, J. Hartless (cond.) 4, B. Mackrell 5, R. Buchanan 6. First "inside" in method 3 and 5.

EUSTON, SUFFOLK.—On Easter Day, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Yorke-Parker 1, Mrs. H. Ivings 2, G. Herbert 3, H. Ivings 4, J. E. Ivings (cond.) 5. For morning service.

FRINDSBURY, KENT.—On Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Andrews 1, Miss J. A. Hayward 2, C. T. Davidson 3, G. Philpot 4, B. R. Trill 5, L. Crouch 6, C. S. Jarrett (cond.) 7, A. J. King (first quarter) 8. Rung half-muffled on the evening of the funeral of Albert Day, churchwarden.

FULHAM, LONDON.—At All Saints', on March 6th, 1,273 Grandsire Triples: F. A. Benn 1, Mrs. G. G. Meyer 2, K. J. Rider 3, A. J. Hampton 4, L. C. Way 5, M. J. Uphill 6, C. M. Meyer (comp. and cond.) 7, J. A. G. Harvey 8. For Evensong.

GNOSALL, STAFFS.—On March 24th, 1,260 Doubles (480 Plain Bob, 780 Grandsire): Miss B. Wiggins 1, Miss L. A. Key 2, B. G. Key (cond.) 3, G. Hall 4, I. Friend 5, J. W. Dyke 6. A 91st birthday compliment to Mrs. Dyke, mother of J. W. Dyke.

GOOSNARGH, LANCs.—On April 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. H. McCormick (cond.) 1, Miss J. Reynolds 2, L. Walmsley 3, R. Barnes 4, J. H. Parsons 5, J. Summer 6. Rung for the wedding of Derek Butterworth.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.—At the Cathedral Church of the Holy Spirit, on April 3rd, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: Mrs. A. J. Smart 1, W. H. Viggers 2, Miss G. Winnett 3, M. J. Church 4, T. A. Davies 5, R. A. Clist 6, G. K. Williamson 7, A. D. Elmore 8, P. G. Smart (first on 10 as cond.) 9, J. C. Collier 10. First on ten 3, 4, 5, 6 and 10. Rung before Evensong.

HESSLE, EAST YORKS.—On March 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Horton 1, V. Beaumont 2, R. Sharp 3, Rev. F. Ross 4, R. Hawtree (cond.) 5, R. Jordan 6. A compliment to the Rev. F. Ross and Miss R. Bailey, on their engagement.

HIGHAM-ON-THE-HILL, LEICS.—On Easter Day, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Annette Taylor 1, I. S. Merry 2, R. Clayfield 3, R. A. Gilliver 4, K. P. Gilliver (cond.) 5, J. L. Merry 6. First in more than one method "inside" 3 and 4. For morning service.

QUARTER PEALS

BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.—On March 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. W. Sear 1, A. B. Corden 2, R. Cadamy 3, W. Daniels 4, A. E. Daniels 5, J. Marks 6, D. J. Meager (cond.) 7, T. H. Clove (first on eight) 8. To mark the 80th birthday of Mr. W. Daniels, and for Confirmation. Also on April 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: 1. Brooks 1, F. G. Edmans 2, R. Cadamy 3, W. Daniels 4, J. Vickers 5, J. Marks 6, D. J. Meager (cond.) 7, T. H. Clove 8. To mark the visit of H.M. Queen Elizabeth and H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh to Bletchley this day.

BOURNEMOUTH, HANTS.—At St. Peter's Church, on March 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Susan Neal 1, E. Booth 2, W. H. Dymont 3, J. Price 4, B. Martin 5, R. Price 6, C. Conway (cond.) 7, F. Price 8. To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Daily Eucharist at St. Peter's.

BRISTOL.—At St. Ambrose's, on April 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: J. Collard (first on eight) 1, Miss G. M. Hussey 2, T. Newlands (first on eight "inside") 3, F. J. Sampson 4, J. R. Taylor 5, D. J. Hunt 6, J. F. Pedler (cond.) 7, B. Martin (first on eight) 8. For St. Ambrose's Day.

CHEADLE, CHESHIRE.—On March 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob: Joan Adlard 1, C. Bell 2, Dorothy Johnson 3, H. Cook 4, S. Livesey 5, A. Cairns (cond.) 6, L. Cook 7. Rung on the diamond wedding day of Mr. and Mrs. A. Frost.

CHESTER-LE-STREET, CO. DURHAM.—On Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: K. Talbot (first quarter) 1, Miss R. Catlin (first quarter "inside") 2, Miss M. A. P. Bertie 3, I. V. Wintrip 4, J. Close 5, P. D. Wenham 6, D. A. Bayles (cond.) 7, W. Nicholson 8. By the local band for Evensong.

DUBLIN, EIRE.—At St. Patrick's Cathedral, on the first Sunday in Lent, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: V. R. McCormack (first on treble) 1, Miss E. Ann Sadler 2, Miss G. Granev 3, C. J. Reede 4, Miss Helen Hubert 5, C. R. P. Broughton (first "inside" Caters) 6, R. A. Vere Hodge 7, W. T. Farrell 8, C. A. Lewis (first as cond.) 9, H. J. Brown 10. First quarter Caters 3 and 5. A birthday compliment to the father of the ringer of 10.

DUNKERTON, SOMERSET.—On April 3rd, 1,272 Bob Minimus (on the front four): S. Francis 1, S. C. Davis 2, P. J. Devrell (cond.) 3, V. Bowring 4, A. F. Butt 5, N. Mags (first quarter) 6. First of Minimus by all the band. Rung on the occasion of the baptism of Edward William George, son of H. H. Bayntun-Coward (churchwarden).

HUNTINGDON.—At St. Mary's Church, on April 1st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: A. J. Davey 1, P. S. Abbott (first of Major) 2, Rose B. Davey (first of Major) 3, E. J. Whiting (first of Major) 4, P. Voolven 5, P. E. Wells 6, J. R. Hough (cond.) 7, H. S. Peacock 8.

HUNTINGTON, YORKS.—On April 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Susan Mitchell (first of Minor) 1, Susan E. Thompson 2, Jennifer E. Pearce (25th quarter) 3, Mary I. Hildred 4, A. C. Banton (cond.) 5, T. W. Brighton 6. For Palm Sunday Evensong.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.—On April 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: 1. W. Hall 1, C. Stevenson 2, D. Bowen 3, Margaret Roberts 4, R. F. Turner 5, D. W. Wittichell 6, B. Austin 7, J. Mitchell 8, J. G. Mitchell (cond.) 9, A. Gibbs 10. Also on April 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Margaret Roberts 1, Jean Aldwinkle 2, R. F. Turner 3, D. W. Wittichell 4, J. G. Mitchell 5, B. Austin 6, I. W. Hall (cond.) 7, J. Mitchell 8. Rung half-muffled.

KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX.—On April 11th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: T. Beech 1, B. Bradbeer 2, Gillian Wildney 3, Dina Harrison 4, Susan Bostock 5, E. B. Smith 6, C. Aldous 7, U. Wildney (cond.) 8. First for 1. First Major 2 and 7.

LONDON.—At St. Clement Danes', on March 13th, 1,287 Stedman Caters: J. W. Smith 1, T. E. Sone 2, Mrs. J. Ling 3, Miss H. Oakshett 4, M. O'Callaghan 5, T. Lewis 6, R. Ling 7, M. F. Oakshett 8, P. W. Cave (cond.) 9, P. J. Spice 10. First of Stedman Caters 3 and 5. For Evensong.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICS.—On March 26th, at the Bell Foundry Campanile, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Durrant 1, A. Faulkner 2, D. Hewitt 3, M. Jefferys 4, K. Warner 5, I. Dear (cond.) 6, A. Slade 7, D. Wright 8.

LOWER HEYFORD, OXON.—On April 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. A. Bennett 1, P. Davis (first quarter) 2, Pamela E. Powell 3, Charlotte A. Bennett 4, Mrs. D. Reeves 5, R. A. Reeves (cond.) 6.

MIDSOMER NORTON, SOMERSET.—On April 3rd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: E. C. Wadman 1, Mary Jones 2, P. H. D. Jones 3, E. Connock 4, J. Mags 5, F. Savage 6, D. Mackay (cond.) 7, J. H. Purnell 8. First of Stedman 4 and 5. For Evensong on Palm Sunday.

NECTON, NORFOLK.—On April 2nd, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: G. Jeffery 1, Mrs. F. A. M. Heyhoe 2, S. H. Waterfield (cond.) 3, W. J. Bailey 4, H. A. Bennett 5, R. Harmer 6. Rung for the wedding of Miss J. Rudge to Mr. M. J. Rogers.

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.—At 22, Castleton Grove, Jesmond, on April 1st, 1,340 Plain Bob Major: Pooky Glaser 1—2, A. G. Craddock (cond.) 3—4, R. A. Yeates 5—6, R. H. E. Askew 7—8. Also on April 3rd, 1,340 Plain Bob Major: Ann Walker 1—2, R. A. Yeates 3—4, A. G. Craddock (cond.) 5—6, Helen Dracup 7—8. First of Major for 1—2 and 7—8 in both quarters.

NORWICH.—At St. Miles', on March 20th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: Miss H. Maltman 1, Miss B. M. Payne 2, Miss A. M. Wright 3, A. Buxton 4, D. P. Morlock 5, S. Gall 6, G. H. Pullin 7, P. Adcock (cond.) 8.

NORWICH.—At St. George's Colegate, on March 20th, 1,440 Surprise Minor (London and Cambridge): Miss J. Dagley 1, D. Cubitt 2, M. Cubitt 3, R. Duesbury 4, H. W. Barrett 5, D. E. House (cond.) 6. Also on April 3rd, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: M. Cubitt (cond.) 1, D. Cubitt 2, R. Duesbury 3, D. P. Morlock 4, G. H. Pullin 5, P. Adcock 6.

OAKLEY, ESSEX.—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. McArthur 1, B. Bradbeer 2, Helen Grierson 3, Heather McArthur 4, A. Semken 5, U. Wildney (cond.) 6. First Minor 1, 2 and 3.

OLD SWINFORD, WORCS.—On Good Friday, 1,260 Doubles (April Day, Plain Bob, Grandsire): M. Kennard 1, M. Clewes 1, B. Wootton 3, J. Lawley 4, P. Bill (cond.) 5, J. Roden 6. Half-muffled for evening service.

PAUL, CORNWALL.—On March 29th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob and Grandsire): E. H. Langley 1, A. P. Smith 2, F. M. Bowers 3, J. J. George 4, W. R. Curtis (cond.) 5, W. J. S. Troon 6. First in three methods for all except 1. For institution of Rev. R. H. Cadman as Vicar.

PRESTON, SUFFOLK.—On Easter Day, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: D. Johnson (first quarter) 1, D. Howe 2, R. Chambers 3, F. Hunt 4, F. Boreham 5, H. Hollocks (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

PYLE, SOMERSET.—On March 16th, 1,272 Treble Bob Minor (Oxford and Kent): C. Jenkins 1, Sheila Hallet 2, M. Bartlett 3, R. Taylor 4, J. Sheppard 5, E. Skispey (cond.) 6. First of Treble Bob 1, 2, 4 and 5.

RIFFLE, WORCS.—On April 1st, 1,272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: J. Mead 1, J. Lawrence 2, B. Spiers 3, D. Price (cond.) 4, M. Hawkes 5, J. Clements 6. First of Treble Bob 1 and 3. A birthday compliment to Mr. C. Haylings.

RUISHTON, TAUNTON, SOMERSET.—On March 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: F. Matravers 1, Miss M. J. Beale 2, Mrs. B. Bindon 3, A. H. Reed 4, K. E. Beale (first in method as cond.) 5, R. F. Arscott 6.

ST. KEA, TRURO, CORNWALL.—On March 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Barbara J. Duck 1, A. Carveth 2, A. Locke 3, E. R. Langley 4, G. F. Dunstan 5, D. A. Trethewey 6, A. J. Davidson (cond.) 7, A. Beamie 8.

LATE NOTICES

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District. — Meeting at Brookland, Saturday, May 7th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. G. Velvick, 15, West Place, Brookland, by Thursday, May 5th. — A. P. S. B. 8949

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Southern Branch. — Meeting at South Lopham, Saturday, May 7th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify Mr. T. G. Boast, Elm Royd, South Lopham, Diss, by Wednesday, May 4th. — C. F. W. Philippo, Hon. Sec. 8922

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Meeting, Eydon, Saturday, May 7th. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to H. E. R. Walker, Eydon, Rugby, by Tuesday previous. 8944

STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.—Meeting at Church Eaton, near Stafford, on Saturday, May 7th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea. Names for tea to C. M. Smith, 29, Dimbles Hill, Lichfield, by Wednesday, May 4th, latest, please. Tel. Lich. 4539.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec. 8907

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Annual general meeting, St. John's, Croydon, May 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. F. E. Collins, 17, Hamilton Road, Thornton Heath, by May 4th. 8916

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

The Annual Festival of the Guild will be held on Saturday, May 14th, 1966, at Oxtan, Birkenhead, Wirral.

Lunch 1 p.m. in the Parish Hall, followed by annual meeting.

Service at 4.30 p.m. in the Parish Church of St. Saviour; the preacher will be the Very Rev. E. H. Patey, Dean of Liverpool.

Tea at 5.30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Cost of lunch 5/6 and tea 5/6 or 10/- for both if tickets are obtained before May 9th from A. J. Martin, Esq., 28, Glenmore Road, Birkenhead, Cheshire.

Towers open: Eastham (6) 10-11 a.m.; Bromborough (8) 10.30-11.30 a.m.; Port Sunlight (8) 11-12 noon; Bebington (8) 11.30-12.30 p.m.; Oxtan (8) 3-4.30 p.m. and after tea; Bidston (6) 3.15-4.15 p.m.; Woodchurch (6) 3.15-4.15 p.m.; other towers by arrangement.—Henry O. Baker, Gen. Sec. 8903

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION — Ashford, Canterbury and Maidstone Districts. — One-day ringing school (elementary methods and conducting), Cheriton, Saturday, May 21st, commencing at 10.30 a.m. Tickets, 5s, each, and full details from B. J. Luck, 20, Beaconsfield Road, Canterbury. For first 60 applicants. Please send stamped addressed envelope.—A. P. S. B. 8908



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ENGAGEMENT

GAY—WEBBER.—The engagement is announced between Philip Gay, of Hinton Blewitt, Somerset, and Susan Webber, of Ipswich, Suffolk. 8928

RETURN THANKS

McGUINNESS.—Mrs. C. McGuinness wishes to thank the many ringing friends who so kindly wrote to her on the death of her husband and also for floral tributes. She is still convalescing and unable to answer letters at the moment. 8953

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

BLOOMFIELD.—The address of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bloomfield is now: Hadleigh, The Avenue, Burton-on-Stather, near Scunthorpe, Lincs. Tel. Burton-on-Stather 465.

REAY.—The address of Miss Muriel Reay is now: 38, Park View Road, Northfield, Birmingham 31. Tel. Priory 3950. 8913

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MISCELLANEOUS

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Ashford District.—The temporary secretary during the indisposition of Mr. C. D. Hillis is Mr. Alan Berry, of 7, Queen's Street, Folkestone, Kent. 8918

CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS

Meeting at Bath, Whitsun, 1966
Three tours of Somerset are arranged for Whit Monday covering the North, Central and Southern areas respectively. Will those wishing to participate please contact J. H. Gilbert, 13, Fenhurst Gardens, Long Ashton, Bristol, stating whether a coach trip is preferred. Will members wishing to take part in peals please write to E. Naylor, 7, Priory Close, Ralph Allen Drive, Bath. 8924

FLOWER FESTIVAL.—St. Peter's, Fairfield, Buxton, Derbyshire (eight bells, tenor 12 cwt.). Friday, July 1st–Sunday, July 3rd. Visiting ringers will be welcome. Please arrange with Mr. E. Ellison, 70, Kings Road, Fairfield, Buxton. Refreshments and m's available. 8925

ST. BRIDGET'S, WEST KIRBY CHESHIRE. — Secretary now Charles F. Pocock, White House, Sandy Lane, West Kirby, Wirral, Cheshire. Telephone CALDY 5320. 8915

MARKET DEEPING, Lincs.—Flower Festival, April 29th, 30th, May 1st. Evensong, Saturday, 30th, 5 p.m. Ringing from 4 p.m. and after service until 9 p.m. Refreshments available. All ringers welcome. 8933

SS. PETER AND PAUL, HEADCORN.—Due to unforeseen circumstances ringing practices will be again held in Thursday evenings instead of Fridays, commencing Thursday after Easter. 8937

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.—Preliminary Notice.—A.G.M. May 14th. St. George-in-the-East 1.30–2.15; St. Dunstan's, Stepney. 2.30–3.30; St. Olave's, 3.45–4.30, followed by service, tea, business meeting. Will members make every effort to attend this important meeting. 8941

ST. MARY'S, BRIXHAM, GUILD

Dedication of
The Winston Churchill Memorial Bell
and the Parishioners' Treble Bell
(by which the ring has been augmented to ten).

ST. GEORGE'S DAY
SATURDAY, APRIL 23rd, at 3 p.m.
by the Archdeacon of Totnes
Ven. R. J. D. Newhouse, M.A.
Tickets for reception and tea at the Northcliffe Hotel, price 4s. 6d., from: Mrs. B. Davies, Radiance, Longcroft Avenue, Brixham.
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POSTPONED

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Canterbury District.—Quarterly meeting, Chislehurst, Saturday, April 23rd. This meeting has been postponed until May. Notices to District towers.—T. C. Phillimore, Hon. Dis. Sec. 8902

MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. — Cary Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Batcombe (6), Saturday, April 23rd. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m.—L. McCreadie, Level Lane, Charlton Horethorne, Sherborne, Dorset.

SUBSCRIPTION REMINDER

Subscriptions for the second quarter are now overdue. To avoid disappointment, please remit without delay to Mr. J. E. Jeater, Greystones, Cusgarne, Truro.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. — Taunton Branch.—Practice meeting at Milverton (8) on Saturday, April 23rd. Bells 6.30 p.m.—A. H. Reed, Hon. Sec. 8927

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. — Axbridge Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Berrow (6), 2.30 p.m., Saturday, April 23rd. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business.—M. Legg. 8836

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—Quarterly meeting, Woburn, Saturday, April 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business in Crypt at 5. Names to 44, George Street, Woburn. 8904

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chester District.—Meeting, Handley, Saturday, April 23rd. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.—R. C. H. Sibley, Hon. Sec. 8932

CHESTER GUILD.—Stockport Branch.—Meeting at Reddish, April 23rd. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. For tea, please advise Miss Mary Handley, 28, Abingdon Road, Reddish, Stockport.—C. K. Lewis. 8919

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

Sir Arthur Heywood Memorial Festival
SATURDAY, APRIL 23rd, 1966

West Circuit:

Ashbourne	(8)	10.00–11.00 a.m.
Bradbourne	(6)	10.45–11.45 a.m.
Brassington	(6)	11.15–12.15 p.m.
Wirksworth	(8)	12.00–1.00 p.m.
Matlock	(8)	1.00–2.00 p.m.
Belper	(8)	2.00–3.00 p.m.
Duffield	(10)	2.30–3.30 p.m.

South Circuit:

Melbourn	(8)	10.00–11.00 a.m.
Aston-on-Trent	(6)	10.30–11.30 a.m.
Shardlow	(6)	11.00–12.00 noon
Sawley	(8)	11.30–12.30 p.m.
Long Eaton	(8)	12.00–1.00 p.m.
Sandiacre	(6)	1.00–2.00 p.m.
West Hallam	(8)	1.30–2.30 p.m.
Horsley	(6)	2.00–3.00 p.m.

Memorial Service at Duffield Parish at 3.30 p.m.

Preacher: Rev. R. D. St. John Smith

Evening Ringing:

Derby Cathedral (10) 6.00–8.30 p.m.
Derby, St. Peter's (8) 7.00–8.30 p.m.
Buffet tea in Derby 5 to 6.30 p.m.
Free for those who send names to:—
Mr. G. A. Halls, 54, Willson Avenue, Littleover, Derby. 8789

DEVONSHIRE GUILD OF RINGERS. — N.E. Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Sampford Peverell, April 23rd. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Names for tea to G. W. Hollis, 26 The Avenue, Tiverton, please. 8886

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Huntingdon District.—Meeting at Hemingford Grey, Saturday, April 23rd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. It is hoped that Hemingford Abbots will be available after tea.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 8889

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Meeting at Loughton, April 23rd. Bells (8) 3.15 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Further ringing until 8 p.m. Names for tea to F. W. Tomlin, 30, Station Road, Loughton. 8798

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. — Stow-on-Wold Branch.—Evening meeting at Longborough on Saturday, April 23rd. Bells (6) 6 p.m.–8 p.m.—L. C. Dowds-well, Sec. Tel. Stow-Wold 350. 8921

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Meeting, Esher, Saturday, April 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea following. Names for tea to Mr. J. F. M. Maybrey, 24, Torrington Road, Claygate, Esher. 8905

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hinckley District.—Desford, April 23rd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Bennett, 27, Manor Road.—V. Watts, Dis. Sec. 8911

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—Annual striking competition and quarterly meeting at Shorne, Saturday, April 23rd. Competing bands assemble 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. followed by tea. General ringing in evening. Names for tea to E. J. Beer, 14 Warren View, Shorne, Gravesend. please.—T. Barton, Hon. Dis. Sec. 8840

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Melton District) and **SHERWOOD YOUTHS**.—Joint meeting at Melton on Saturday, April 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea and meeting in Hall at 5 p.m. All welcome. Names for tea to Mrs. Day, 109, Thorpe Road, Melton Mowbray.—M. Stimson, Dis. Sec. 8910

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Annual Branch meeting. Hughenden, Saturday, April 23rd. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Tea 4 p.m. Meeting 5 p.m. Service 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss Barton, The Gable, Boss Lane, Hughenden Valley, High Wycombe.—Miss Hague. 8852

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Kettering Branch.—Meeting, Isham, April 23rd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Names for tea to A. Garley, 14, Fairfield Road, Isham. Special methods: Double Court, York Surprise. All welcome.—M. A. C. 8877

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Peterborough Branch.—Spring meeting, St. John's, Peterborough (8), Saturday, April 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to secretary by Thursday previous.—R. H. Daw, 97, Fane Road, Peterborough. 8896

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL.—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—Meeting at Stone, Saturday, April 23rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. 8957

SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.—Joint meeting with Melton District at Melton Mowbray, April 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. M. Stimson, Somerby, Melton Mowbray. 8940

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Central District.—Quarterly meeting at Stradbroke (10) Saturday, April 23rd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m., followed by business meeting. Names for tea to H. W. H. Leather, Three Ways, Monk Soham, Woodbridge, please. 8891

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Portsmouth District.—Quarterly meeting at St. Peter's, Bishop's Waltham, April 23rd. Bells 2.30 till 8.30. Service 4. Tea 4.45 in Priory Café. Meeting in Church Hall 5.45. Names for tea to L. Duguid, 106, Stride Avenue, Portsmouth please. Important item for discussion: Proposed changes to District boundaries. 8892

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Isle of Wight District.—Quarterly meeting, Brading, April 23rd. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting follows.—A. M. Guy, Dis. Sec. 8938

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Business meeting at the Rising Sun, Carter Lane, E.C., on April 26th at 8.15 p.m. Practices: April 26th and May 3rd: St Michael's, Cornhill; May 10th: St. Lawrence Jewry; May 17th: St. Giles', Cripplegate.—J. G. A. Prior. 8938

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—Practice meeting, Pilton (6), Thursday, April 28th, 7.30–9 p.m.—M. de Jong. 8926

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSN.—Dunster Branch.—Six-bell practice at Exford on Saturday, April 30th, at 7 p.m. 8974

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Barnby Dunn, Saturday, April 30th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. R. Lunn, 24, High Street, Barnby Dunn. 8946

FLY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Upwell, Saturday, April 30th. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 8945

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South Eastern District.—A meeting and striking competition will be held at Tollesbury (6) on Saturday, April 30th. Competition at 2.30. Service at 4.30. General ringing after tea. Names for tea to J. R. Pantou, 140, Broomfield Road, Chelmsford, (Phone 57827.) 8835

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL.—Forest Branch.—Meeting, Saturday, April 30th, at St. Mary the Virgin's, Lydney. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea to Mr. R. Thomas, 1, Primrose Way, Lydney. 8967

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Meeting at Frensham (6) on Saturday, April 30th, from 6–9 p.m.—Mrs. B. R. Simpson, Dis. Sec. 8931

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ludlow and Church Stretton District.—Quarterly meeting, Cound, Saturday, April 30th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Teas.—G. Randle Ashford, All Stretton, Salop. 8947

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Correction: Quarterly meeting, Baldock, April 30th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names essential.—C. M. Orme, Hon. Dis. Sec., 12, Gaunts Way, Letchworth Telf. 5015. 8894

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The annual general meeting will be held on April 30th at St. Bartholomew's, Westhoughton. Ringing: All Souls', Bolton (8) 11–12; St. Peter's, Bolton (8) 11.30–12.30; Holy Trinity, Bolton (8) 12–1; The Saviour's, Bolton (8) 2–3.30; St. Mary's, Deane (8) 2.30–3.45; St. Bartholomew, Westhoughton (8) 3–4.15. Service 4.15. Tea 5, meeting to follow. Ringing to follow. Ringing at St. Bartholomew's 7–8.30. Names for tea, with money (3/6 each) to Mr. W. Smalley, 15, Sunny Garth, Westhoughton.—F. Reynolds, Gen. Sec. 8753

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual general meeting at Lincoln, April 30th. Holy Communion, Ringers' Chapel at Cathedral. 8 a.m. Service at Cathedral 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock in Tithe Barn followed by meeting. Ringing: Upton (6) 10.45 to 11.45; Willingham-by-Stow (6) 11.30 to 12.30; Stow (6) 12.15 to 1.15; Saxilby (6) 1 to 2; Lincoln towers, i.e. Cathedral (12), St. Giles' (8), St. Peter-at-Gowts' (6), St. Botolph's (6) from 2 until service and after the meeting, but St. Giles' until 7 only. Names for tea to Mr. J. Walden, 50, Cecil Street, Lincoln, by Tuesday previous.—John Freeman, Hon. Sec. 8917

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual general meeting will be held at St. Andrew's Uxbridge, on Saturday, April 30th. Service 4.30 p.m., tea and business to follow. Officers and C.C. representatives to be elected. Ringing: St. Margaret's, Uxbridge, and St. Mary's, Harefield, 2.30–4 p.m.; St. Andrew's 3–4.30 p.m. and in evening. Names by previous Wednesday would ensure tea.—T. J. Lock, 57, Holloways Lane, North Mymms Hatfield, Herts. 8883

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

Annual General Meeting at
NORWICH, ON SAT., APRIL 30th
Service at St. Peter Mancroft Church,
Norwich, 4 p.m. Tea Chantry Hall
4.45 p.m. Meeting to follow.

Bells available:—

Afternoon:

St. Peter Mancroft (12) 2.45–3.50
St. Giles' (8) 2.00–3.35
St. George's, Colegate (6) 2.00–3.35
St. John de Sepulchre by arrangement

Evening:

After meeting to 9 p.m.:

St. Peter Mancroft
St. Miles at Coslany (8)
St. George's, Colegate.

Names for tea to Mrs. F. N. Golden, 26, Brabazon Road, Norwich (Nor. 57N.), by Wednesday, April 27th, 1966.—H. W. Barrett, Gen. Sec. 8900

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bicester and District Branch.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Bicester (8) on Saturday, April 30th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. Please send names for tea to C. Kinch, 3, The Causeway, Bicester, Oxon, by Wednesday, April 27th. 8929

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northampton Branch.—Business meeting at Milton Malsor on Saturday, April 30th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea to B. E. Frost, 69, High Street, Pitsford, Northampton, by Tuesday previous. 8888

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual general meeting at Southwell, April 30th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting in Trebeck Hall following Evensong. Names for tea to Mr. F. W. Midwinter, 70, Valley Prospect, Newark, Notts. by Wednesday, April 27th.—W. L. Exton Hon Gen Sec. 8882

STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.—An eight-bell striking competition will be held at Christ Church, Coseley, on Saturday, April 30th next, draw at 3 p.m. Evening practice meeting to follow (own arrangements for tea) at St. Leonard's, Bilston. Bells (8) available from 6 p.m. All welcome.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec. 8906

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Christchurch District.—Practice meeting, Lyndhurst (8), April 30th, 3 Service 4.30. Tea 4.15 New Forest Restaurant (4s. 6d.). Brockenhurst (6) 6.30–8.30. No tea without names to L. F. Cobb, 182, Southampton Road, Ringwood, by Monday, April 25th essential. 8827

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The annual general meeting will be held at Ripon on Saturday April 30th. in the library in the Cathedral at 3.45 p.m. Evensong at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.45 p.m. in the Cathedral Hall, for which names must be sent to Mr. E. Hudson, Singleton Cottage, Sharow, Ripon, by Thursday, April 28th. The following towers will be open: Whixley (6) 10–11; Aldborough (6) 11–12; Kirby Hill (6) 12–1; Kirkby Malzeard (6) 1–2; Wath (6) 2–3; Sharow (8) 2–3; Ripon Cathedral (10) 11.30–12.30, 1.30–3.30 and after tea.—W. F. Moreton, Hon. Gen. Sec. 8819

COVENTRY COLLEGES GUILD.—The A.G.M. will be held on Wednesday, May 4th, in Bericote Hall, Coventry College of Education, at 8 p.m. Anyone interested in joining will be very welcome. 8934

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

Meeting in Gloucester Area

SATURDAY, MAY 7th

Painswick, 11–12.30.

Lunch at Spread Eagle Hotel, Gloucester, at 1.15 p.m.

Gloucester Cathedral, 2.30–4.

Business meeting at St. Mary-le-Crypt, 4.15 p.m.

Cheltenham, St. Mary's, 6–7.

Names for lunch (10s. 6d.) to me, please, by May 2nd at latest.—J. G. A. Prior, 21a, Fieldhouse Road, London, S.W.12. 8893

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North Eastern District.—Meeting, Thorington, on Saturday, May 7th. Striking competition 2.30. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. General ringing later. Names for tea to Mrs. A. R. Andrews, Abbey View, Church Lane, Thorington, Colchester. 8935

RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

At Newcastle on Tyne, May 7th.

PROGRAMME

Friday, May 6th.

Practice at SS. Basil and James', Fenham (8).

Saturday, May 7th.

10–11 a.m., All Saints', Gosforth (10).
12–1 p.m., St. John's, Newcastle (8).
Make own arrangements for lunch.
2.30–3.30, St. Stephen's, Low Elswick, Newcastle (8).

Business meeting in the Cathedral Library, 4 p.m.

High Tea at Bainbridges, Bigg Market, Newcastle, 5.30 p.m. (7/-).
7–8 p.m., Cathedral (12).

For high tea, apply F. Hodgson, 160, West Auckland Road, Darlington, Co. Durham, not later than May 2nd.—J. A. Hoare Hon. Sec. 8942

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LATE NOTICES

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD—Bridgford Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Highley, April 30th. Service 3 p.m., followed by ringing until tea at 5 p.m. Chelmarsh bells available after tea. Names for tea to Joan Bennett, 7, Rudge Heath Road, Claverley, not later than April 28th. 8971

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD—Hereford District.—Quarterly meeting, Peterchurch, on Saturday, April 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to T. E. Wood, 43, Merestone Road, Redhill, Hereford. 8965

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD—Market Harborough District.—Evening meeting at Halaton on Saturday April 30th at 5 p.m. Business meeting 6 p.m.—L. W. Allen. 8961

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD—Loughborough District.—Meeting at Woodhouse Eaves, Saturday, April 30th. Bells (6) 3 p.m.—Pat Farmer, Dis. Sec. 8950

TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD—Truro Branch.—Meeting at St. Dennis, Saturday, April 30th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—Miss B. J. Duck, Branch Sec., 1, Benson Road, Hendra, Truro. 8951

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD—Basingstoke District.—Quarterly meeting, Heckfield, Saturday, April 30th. Bells from 2.30 Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Rotherwick bells after tea. Names for tea to Mr. J. J. Hill, 67, Oakridge Road, Basingstoke, by Monday, April 25th. 8963

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION—Annual meeting, Saturday, May 7th. Towers open: Haynes, Cranfield, Eversholt 9.30–10.45. Aspley Guise 10.45–12; Husborne Crawley 12–1; Gravenhurst, Flitwick, 2–3.30; Ampthill, Silsoe, Maulden, 3–4.30; Flitton, Maulden, 6.30–8.45. Service, tea and business meeting Maulden 4.45. Names for tea to Mr. M. Lockey, Edge Hill, Church Road, Maulden (Tel. Ampthill 2127) by Thursday, May 5th.—A. Smith, Gen. Sec. 8970

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD—Warwick Archdeaconry District.—Meeting at Wootton Wawen, May 7th. Bells 3 and after tea. Service 4.30. Tea 5 in Village Hall. Names for tea to Alan J. Collings, 3, Rose Gardens, Wootton Hall, Wootton Wawen. Solihull. Special method: College Exercise.—P. S. Bennett, Sec. 8962

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