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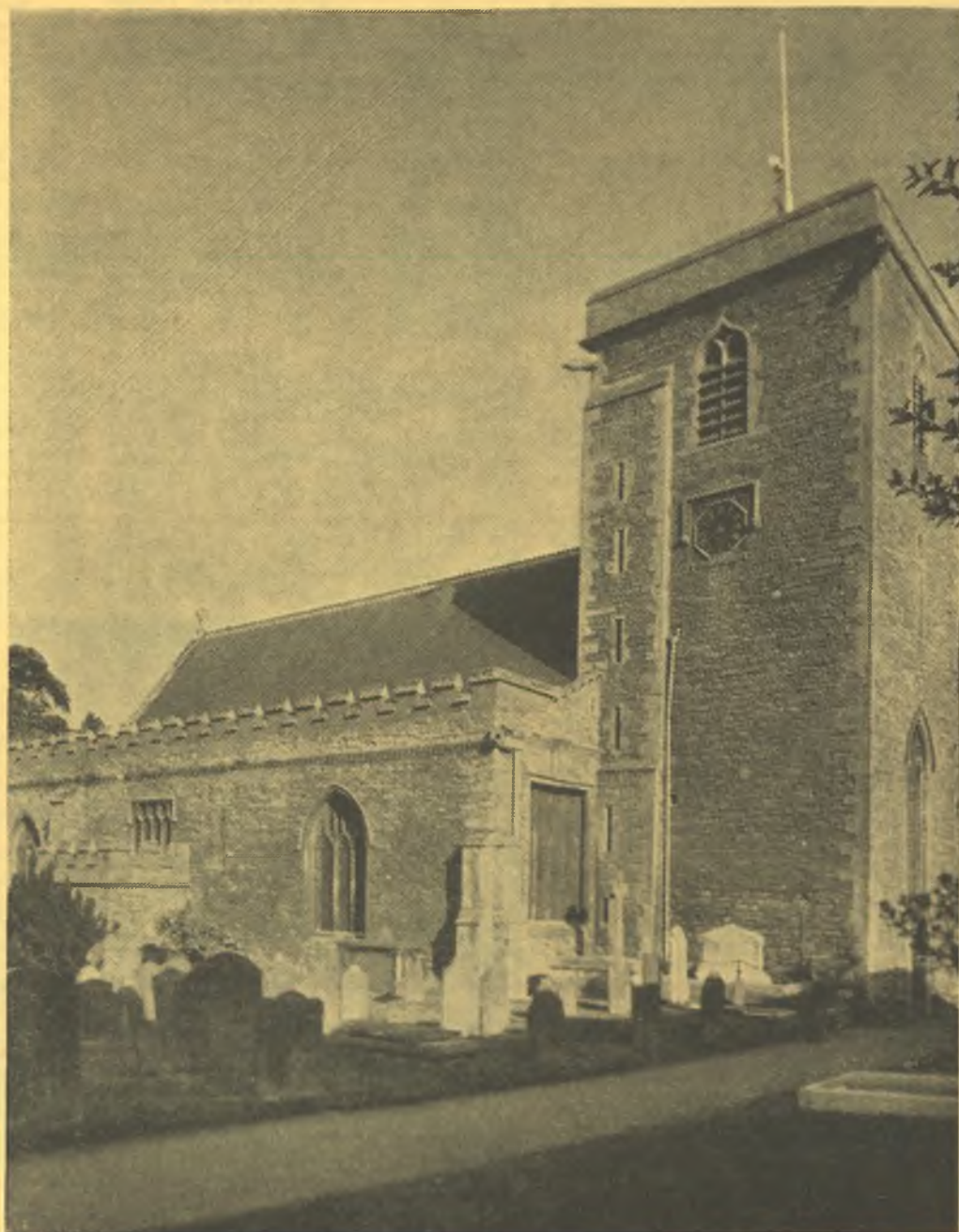
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**St. Mary the  
Virgin,  
Henbury,  
Bristol**





## Cover Picture

St. Mary the Virgin, Henbury,  
Bristol

By ANTHONY BENNETT

HENBURY, situated some four miles from the centre of Bristol, was for many years an isolated, picturesque little village. With the expansion of the city much of the surrounding countryside has undergone extensive urban development; the intrinsic village atmosphere, the quaint houses, the large manor houses, the narrow lanes and the old Parish Church still remain, and following an extensive corporation survey the village area is now the subject of a preservation order, thus guaranteeing its future.

The Parish Church of St. Mary the Virgin has been the centre of continuous building activity since Saxon times. Nothing of the Saxon church remains and the oldest portion is the late-Norman south doorway. The fine nave arcade was built in 1200 upon late-Norman circular piers; the side aisles, clerestory and chancel were added in the 13th to 15 centuries. Victorian vandalism occurred in 1836 by Rickman, but a careful restoration by Street in 1875 restored the church to its original form.

## HISTORY OF THE BELLS

The tower of St. Mary's, Henbury, as seen today, was erected in the 13th century at a time when the nave of the church was being enlarged. It presents a robust and broadly-based structure and is devoid of buttressing. In the north-east corner there is a flatly projecting staircase turret of the same period. The tower roof originally contained pinnacles but these were removed and the roof levelled in the 15th century. Leading to the staircase turret is a fine oak door dating from the 17th century.

Bells must have hung here from early times and some authorities maintain that they were destroyed by the Puritan zeal of the 17th century. However, no evidence remains of their existence prior to 1717. It was in this year that a ring of six was cast by Evan Evans, who had established a foundry in Chepstow in 1686 and who also became churchwarden of Chepstow Parish Church. His two sons, William and Evan the younger, continued the work of the foundry after his death in 1730. Over the period of 100 years or so the family supplied bells to many churches in Wales and the West Country.

The bells at Henbury were, in all probability, cast in the locality at a temporary foundry built for the purpose.

Two of the original Evans ring survive—the sixth and tenor of the present ring of eight; the wooden frame exists in the form of the heavy oak chest now in the ringing chamber.

Three of the original ring were recast by John Warner at Cripplegate in 1857, and the original inscriptions were preserved on the waist of the recast bells, but the initials of the original founder were omitted.

Two treble bells were added to complete the octave in 1897 (Jubilee Year), by John Taylor of Loughborough, and the dedication and inscriptions are given on a brass plaque placed on the inner north wall of the tower, close to the stair entrance in the body of the church.

The fifth, one of the original Evans ring, required recasting in 1914, having been cracked by the clapper of the tenor bell which had fallen out during ringing. Major

changes to the whole ring were undertaken and involved removing the canons, mounting in new cast iron headstocks, the provision of self-aligning plain bearings, the recasting of the fifth and rehanging all the bells on a new steel joint frame. The work was undertaken by John Warner and Son, of Spitalfields, London, at a total cost of £267 15s. The result was the ring as we know it today. They were retuned on the Simpson diatonic principle, but the effect was, mercifully, to preserve the old tone of the bells, and it avoided the stereotyped sound often associated with modern bell tuning.

Since 1914 no major work has been done but minor maintenance, repairs, replacements and frame painting have been undertaken by the local ringers themselves. This has resulted in a considerable financial saving to the church. Renewal of the bearings is now overdue, as many visiting ringers will know. The ringers hope in due course to raise the necessary money to do this.

## INSCRIPTIONS

Treble—John Taylor and Co., Founders, Loughborough, Leicestershire, 1897. 30ins. 6-3-15. E. flat. 2—John Taylor and Co., Founders, Loughborough, Leicestershire, 1897. 31ins. 7-1-10. D. 3—Prosperity to those that like good bells. Cast by John Warner and Sons, London, 1857. 33½ins. 8-0-15. C. 4—Prosperity to our benefactors. John Warner and Sons, Crescent Foundry, London, 1857. 35ins. 8-2-12. B flat. 5—Peace and Good Neighbourhood. B.E. 1717. Recast by John Warner and Sons, London, 1914. 31s. 36ins. 10-0-0. A flat. 6—John Iayne, John Hancock, Church Wardens. Ev Evans, 1717. 40½ins. 12-3-0. G. 7—The Honble Edward Southwell. Recast by John Warner and Sons, London, 1857. 43½ins. 15-1-18. F. Tenor—The Right Honble Charles William and Arabella, Lord and Lady Walden, 1717. E \* E. 49ins. 21-0-0. E flat. \* Inverted U.

A brass tablet at the foot of the tower records the following:

"Bells I & II were hung in this tower in the name of the most Holy Trinity to the service of the Church. Dec'r 3rd, 1897.

+ II +

Let them be for the praise of God and for a remembrance of Victoria R.I.

+ II +

All the people shouted God Save the Queen."

Another brass tablet records the 64 years' ringing service of Joseph Gould, tower captain, and Henbury's most prominent ringer, who died in 1947. His wife, Gwen, rang at this church for 50 years and died in 1970.

For many visitors the name Henbury is synonymous with the grave of Scipio Africanus, the negro servant of Edward Southwell, Earl of Suffolk, whose name appears on the seventh bell.

## THE FESTIVAL

The climax to the Henbury and Brentry Festival was a flower festival in the Parish Church, a bellringing festival and exhibitions in the mansion of Blaise Castle House. There was also the opportunity of seeing many of the old houses in the village and their beautiful gardens.

A bellringing festival on July 11 enabled visitors to ring from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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Some teams arranged to ring quarter peals, and of four attempted two were successful. These were rung by bands from Thornbury and Henbury, both ringing Grandsire Triples. A band representing the Bristol City Branch attempted Bob Major, and a band from Easthampstead, Berks, were foiled by a broken rope from getting Stedman Triples. In both instances there was good striking, which was much appreciated by the hundreds of non-ringing visitors.

In addition, several towers were available during the day, and open ringing times at Henbury enabled numerous visitors to ring.

A peal of Bob Major had been attempted by the local band earlier in the week, but the hot, humid weather made ringing difficult and the bells were stood up after 1½ hours' ringing.

To close the proceedings, a Festival Evensong was sung on Sunday, July 12, a special choir, under the direction of George Locke (organist and bellringer) sang "O Thou, the Central Orb" by Charles Wood and the Te Deum to the Stanford setting in B flat; the Bishop of Bristol preached the sermon.

Although not primarily a money-raising venture, the £700 proceeds of the flower festival were given to the Church Restoration Fund.

## POST OFFICE REGISTER ?

With the peal of Plain Bob Maximus at Kidderminster on July 4, successes in Doubles, Minor, Major (three times), Royal and Maximus have been achieved by bands consisting of Post Office personnel. Triples are to be attempted in October and intentions are that Caters and Cinques be attempted next year.

It is hoped to compile a register of all ringers who work for or who have retired from the British Post Office. Names can be sent in the first place to R. W. Balls, 24 Buristead Road, Great Shelford, Cambridge, or to D. A. Frith, 22 Redcliffe Road, Grantham, Lincs.



## AN AMBITIOUS PROJECT

### FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION; AND AN APPEAL LAUNCHED

Welcome to St. Botolph's. Today's service has a twofold purpose. We are commemorating the 50th anniversary of the dedication of the two trebles by the then Archdeacon of Rochester on August 14, 1920. Since then the ring of eight and its fittings, although well cared for, have not received any professional attention and are now in need of restoration. This service therefore also launches an appeal for the restoration of the bells.

The Church Council has accepted the challenge of installing a new ring of ten at a cost of £4,500, but half this figure must be raised before the Council will consider placing an order with the foundry. Will you help to keep Northfleet on the bellringing map?

Leaflets bearing these words were handed out to about 70 ringers, parishioners and visitors who entered the parish church at Northfleet, Kent, on August 15, a few attending by invitation, many in response to advertisements and notices displayed, but all willing to support the efforts of the vicar and a committee in launching an appeal for bell restoration and augmentation.

A quarter peal attempt in the morning was unsuccessful but the anti-clockwise eight were rung during the afternoon and again in the evening, the service being at 4.15, conducted by Rev. Stanley Evans, of Bredgar (a ringer), who is chairman of the Rochester District of the Kent County Association. The vicar (Rev. D. F. H. Glanfield) read the lesson and Rev. Ian Lovell, of Minster-in-Sheppey, gave an interesting address, in which he referred to the purpose of the gathering that afternoon.

### REPRESENTATIVE GATHERING

The service, which was fully choral, was followed by tea in the hall adjoining the church, and among those supporting the appeal, duly launched, were the chairman (and vice-president) of the Kent County Association, Mr. E. A. Barnett, who was accompanied by Mrs. Barnett, and his father, veteran Mr. E. Barnett, Mr. Alan Berry (general secretary, K.C.A.), Mr. Ian Oram (peals secretary), Mr. John Barnes (secretary, Society of Royal Cumberland Youths), Miss Joan Berrisford (Ladies' Guild), Mr. Derek Wilkinson (vice-captain, Northfleet

The Vicar of Northfleet (Rev. D. F. H. Glanfield), Mrs. Glanfield, Mr. E. A. Barnett (chairman, K.C.A.), Mrs. B. Wilkinson (hon. sec., P.C.C.) and Mr. D. Wilkinson (vice-captain).

[R.W. photo]



ringers), Mrs. B. Wilkinson (hon. secretary, P.C.C.) and the Editor, The Ringing World, and Mrs. Denyer.

Refreshments were available during the day in the hall, and pamphlets with an interesting and a well-designed and illustrated booklet about the bells and their history (with a subscription form attached) were available.

Since the two trebles were added 50 years ago there has always been a band of ringers

### "ROPESIGHT"

"Ropesight," the famous book by Jasper Snowdon, will shortly be available again.

One of the classics amongst ringing textbooks, "Ropesight" sold many thousands of copies before going out of print in 1962. Since then there has been a persistent demand for copies, culminating in the recent decision to reprint.

With the reprint Mrs. Winifred Turner is giving up ownership of the Snowdon series. Although not herself a ringer, Mrs. Turner has been distributing these books for 12 years. In that time she has packed and posted several thousand books. Before 1958 Miss Margaret Snowdon looked after the Snowdon series. One day perhaps the story of how this fine old lady struggled to keep the books in print, "for the sake of the ringers" as she used to say, will be adequately told. In the meantime we record our gratitude to these ladies for their service to the Exercise.

C. J. G.

### OVER THE ROOF

A week or two ago Mr. A. Fidler took down the remaining four bells of St. Edmund's Church, Exeter (the other four were stolen). Owing to the weakened condition of the floors and no hatch in the first floor, which is in a bad state, he had to hire a mobile crane to get the bells out over the roof. Edmund Street is a busy one-way street and the police were on duty controlling traffic. One of the gang who stole the four bells was an interested spectator and offered advice on how to remove the headstocks and clappers! He openly boasted of his part in the theft and said he had had to pay a large fine. Some weeks ago Mr. Fidler collected the broken metal from the police in Exeter and, with the four bells, it is now at Loughborough.



The vicar, churchwardens and bellringers of Northfleet Parish Church in 1923. They are (back row, l. to r.): George Lingham, Stephen Bridgland, Edward Ware, Harry Barnes, Ronald Aspinall, Thomas Davis, Leslie Stacey; (front row) Richard Smith, William Ware, George Snelling (churchwarden), Rev. G. Coleson (vicar), Percy Terry (warden), James Carrott and Fred Draper.



**LUNDY'S BELLS**

The article by D. L. C. on the bells, etc., of Lundy Island has caused considerable interest and many have written giving references and details of the historic event. Mr. J. Hedgcock, of St. Helens, Lancs, states that it is believed the new owner may have the bells overhauled, and other venturesome spirits will then "have a go."

Mr. G. K. Austin, of Huyton, Liverpool, was on the island last September and found the bells in the church porch, arranged four on each side and resting on wooden planks. They were cast with angular canons, and although the fittings have suffered from the sea air, the bells are in good condition. Two of the clappers, however, are used as clock weights. The peal board, also weather worn, hangs in the porch.

Mr. R. J. Bowden, of Westbury-on-Trym, Bristol, has in his scrapbook an undated cutting (circa 1965) from the Bristol Evening Post about the peal rung in 1905, but the article does contain photographs of the church, the ringers and the peal board. Referring to the bells, he says: "They have for many years been unringable although it is recorded that they were chimed for a wedding in 1954. If memory serves me correctly a report on the tower, bells, etc., was published in *The Ringing World* following an inspection made in the early 1960's by Major H. J. Cann, of Kilve, near Bridgwater." [Major Cann was a nephew of Canon G. F. Coleridge.—Editor.]

Another account is supplied by Mr. E. Barnett, of Crayford, Kent, who confirms various points and gives the following interesting story about the peal rung:

"What has impressed this peal on my mind is that in the following year (1906) I went from London to Bristol on a cargo-cum-passenger coasting steamer, and coming up the Bristol Channel we passed fairly close to Lundy Island. Looking across through a pair of binoculars among the few buildings in view I saw what I have always thought was the church.

"Incidentally, the day before was spent at Penzance loading and unloading cargo. During the evening when walking towards Marazion I heard another island ring being chimed, the ring of six on St. Michael's Mount."

Two other correspondents who quote the Bell News report are Mr. E. C. Sheehy, of Warminster, and Canon K. W. H. Felstead, of Southampton, the latter confirming that the peal rung is the only one ever accomplished.

Mr. D. C. Manger, of Frittenden, Kent, also sends the peal board wording and the inscriptions on the bells, which vary by one or two letters in the Latin. He says the stonework and mortar are crumbling alarmingly and although the bells may one

**A LATE PEAL REPORT**

Sending us details of the peal, recently published, but rung in August, 1969, Derek M. Sawyer, of Ontario, adds:—

"The peal was itself rung under rather unusual conditions during the second North American tour of 1969, organised by Geoff and Liz Davies. On the Saturday afternoon two handbell bands went for two peals simultaneously at Smith College. Unfortunately coincidence would have it that both of these attempts failed in almost identical places at the same time, only two or three courses from the finish. My own band contained two Washington girls, one of whom had never rung a handbell peal before, and they were both extremely disappointed with our failure since they only had the opportunity for this style of ringing when we met as a guild.

"Bill Jackson and myself decided they should not return to Washington without a peal, so the only possible time in the otherwise tight weekend schedule to attempt a peal was selected—starting at 7.15 a.m. Sunday morning. After the excellent hospitality which Ernest Rawson's daughter, Margaret, had extended to us on Saturday evening, we certainly expected to have to work very hard indeed for a peal at that time of day, especially when coupled with the fact that the only seating available in the appointed building was a rather high version of three-legged stools—not too compatible with the writer's bony, non-padded structure! Despite this a first-class peal was rung, to the distinct credit of the girls.

"An account of this weekend, together with a copy of the peal and, I believe, a quarter peal which was rung at Groton later in the day, was promptly submitted by David Ingram, of Hamilton. Approximately two months later a carbon copy of this material was sent to your office as nothing had appeared in print at that time. On a recent visit to Washington the two girls were quick to challenge me as to why the peal remained unpublished.

"Returning to Toronto, Bill Jackson was good enough to check all of his copies for me (since mine are incomplete—a penalty of sea mail; I seem to miss one about every two months or so). He also came to the same conclusion that the peal remained unpublished."

[The present Editor is not able to check peal reports or what happened in August, 1969.]

day be put in working condition it is doubtful if they will be replaced in position for full circle ringing. Mr. Manger was on the island last year and again this year.

Mr. C. T. W. Coles, of London, gives various references and reports the condition of bells, etc., as very poor when he saw them in 1961.

Details of the inscriptions on the Lundy bells are supplied by Mr. B. V. Mountjoy, of Bideford, Devon, as follows:

Treble: HORAM. PRECANOI. JAM. ADVENISSE. MONEO. 1897.

Second: No inscription.

Third: UT. FIEREMUS. HCH. VICARIUS. CURAVIT.

Fourth: CAROLUS. CARR. SOCIETAS. NOS FUDIT. A.D. 1897.

Fifth: CONFUSE. ACITATAE. PERICLA DECLARAMUS.

Sixth: RETRO. PULSATAE. ICNES. INOICAMUS.

Seventh: RECTE SONANTE. CAUDIA. PRONUNCIAMUS.

Tenor: ANIMIS. CEDENTIBUS. DICO. VALETE.

**Obituary****CHARLES H. STONEHOUSE**

Ringers of the Melton Mowbray District of the Leicester Diocesan Guild were sorry to hear of the death of Charles Hector Stonehouse, of Hoby, Leics, which took place on July 21 in Leicester Hospital.

Hector was an agricultural engineer and had rung at Hoby over 40 years. He was at one time captain of the ringers and also maintained the ancient parish church clock.

The funeral on July 25 was attended by many villagers and friends. Mr. J. H. Cook represented the Leicester Guild, of which Charles had been a member; he also belonged to the Goscote Society of Change Ringers.

In the absence of the rector, in Canada, the Vicar of Seagrave conducted the committal service and a memorial service on August 2 was taken by the rector (on his return).

A half-muffled quarter was conducted by Mr. H. T. Bonshor, of Great Dalby, on August 6.

**WILLIAM PICTHALL**

Miss N. Pichall has sent us some details of her father's ringing career, following the notice of his death a few weeks ago.

Born in 1904, William started ringing at St. James', Barrow-in-Furness, and his first peal was on March 6, 1926, at Beetham. He also rang peals at Kendal and in Lancashire in the '20s and '30s, Edwin Jennings conducting most of them. Later he rang at St. Mary's, Bury, and moved south in 1938, ringing at Ruislip for some time until on doctor's orders he had to give it up.

He was a member of the Cumberland and also of the Middlesex County Association.

William Pichall died after a heart operation on July 12.

**MR. C. G. GLASS**

A former member of the 1st Rifle Volunteers, who was one of 100 men 6ft. in height chosen to represent Devon at Queen Victoria's funeral, died after a brief illness in Exeter recently.

He was Mr. C. G. (Charlie) Glass, aged 97. His three big interests were campanology, shooting and cricket. He joined the Heavitree band of bellringers in 1906 and remained with them until he was 86. He was their captain for 30 years and captain of the Exeter Cathedral ringers for 15 years.

One of the original members of Clyst St. George Cricket Club, he later became a vice-president of both the old Heavitree and present Exeter St. James's cricket clubs.

**THREE JOURNEYS**

"Bird, Patey and West, Bell Repairs carried out."

Members will recall when ringing at Bale after the Wiveton meeting, the clapper of the 4th decided to drop out. One visit to remove the "U" bolt (by the three of us), a second to see how the bolt fitted (it not being a conventional one), only to find a special spanner was needed to fit same. Our thanks to the Norwich ambulance mechanic, Mr. R. Cheney, for making one. Our third visit proved positive with work completed.

Many thanks to Carol Patey for her interest and assistance, for without her help this task would have been much more difficult. The three journeys constituted a mileage of approximately 165. C. B.



**GOLD MEDALLIST**

The first gold medal struck by the Worshipful Company of Blacksmiths in some 600 years of history was presented to Mr. Eric Stevenson, a 62-year-old Wroxham blacksmith at a ceremony in London recently.

The Company, one of the City of London livery companies, awarded the medal to Mr. Stevenson for his "superlative craftsmanship" in the manufacture of wrought iron screens for the ancient Church of St. Nicholas at Yarmouth.

Mr. Stevenson was also admitted as a Liveryman of the Company, which automatically makes him a Freeman of the City of London.

**LAST OF LINE**

A member of a family that has produced blacksmiths at Wroxham for over 200 years, Mr. Stevenson, who is now the last of the line, had already received the Company's bronze and silver medals for outstanding craftsmanship.

The screens, which involved 15 tons of wrought iron, took Mr. Stevenson and his assistant, Mr. Bob Blake, six years to complete and three weeks to erect at St. Nicholas' Church last year.

They are regarded by the Company, which has encouraged this form of craftsmanship since the Middle Ages, as probably the largest and most exquisite to be constructed this century.

Mr. Stevenson took over the forge at Wroxham from his father in 1928 after working as a local journalist for six years.

One of his first big tasks in wrought iron was a screen for St. Saviour's Chapel at Norwich Cathedral and this brought him the bronze medal award.

He later made a wrought iron gate for the entrance to the Dick Sheppard Memorial Chapel in St. Martin-in-the-Fields, London.

Mr. Stevenson has been a member of the Norwich Association for a number of years, and the report given here was taken from the Eastern Evening news.

**Kent County Association.****NO LOCAL RINGERS**

The summer meeting of the Lewisham District was held in the attractive village of Farningham. It is unfortunate that there are no local ringers to keep these pleasant and easy-going six bells ringing regularly. In the absence of a local band a volunteer team of ladies prepared tea in the extremely well-kept village hall, whilst the bells were rung to a variety of methods under the direction of the ringing master. At 4.30 all gathered in church for a shortened Evensong conducted by the Rev. D. Campbell. In his brief address on church towers as strongholds, the vicar drew attention to the fact that Farningham tower had been designed as a place of refuge and could have been barricaded from the inside, although there is no historical evidence to suggest that it had ever been used for this purpose.

At a short business meeting it was learned that both Mr. Percy Spice (Bromley) and Mr. Sid Ball (Dartford) had been very ill. All ringers wish them both a speedy return to health. New members were elected from Crayford, Eynsford, Hayes and Lewisham. The date of the Kent County annual dinner was announced, also the fact that an appeal is to be launched by Northfleet tower for the restoration of their bells. The next three district practices will be at Eltham (August), Crayford (September) and St. John's, Erith (October).



Mr. Eric Stevenson here seen handing a gilded scroll to Princess Margaret, the design of which was the same as for the gates of Great Yarmouth Church, which he made.

**MOVED TO CAMBRIDGE**

Mr. W. S. (Bill) Deason writes: "As a result of my change of job I have to end my association with ringing at St. Mary's, Hampton. I first learned to handle a bell there 19 years ago and have been tower captain for the past 10. The new tower captain is Peter A. Lawrence who, like myself, has held several positions as an officer of the Middlesex Association, and is currently chairman of the S. & W. District. Although I shall clearly not be an active Middlesex member for a while, I intend to remain a ringing member of the association and attend the A.G.M.'s."

**Bedfordshire Association.****AWARE OF WHAT IS HAPPENING**

For the first time since joining the Biggleswade District, St. Andrew's, Amptill, ringers were hosts to the district for a full meeting on August 8. Summer holidays and heavy rain showers were possibly the cause of a lower than usual attendance when Mr. C. D. Mann was ringing master. An excellent tea was served in the church hall by the local ringers and helpers.

Mr. S. H. Ashton was in the chair for the business meeting and Mr. A. S. Smith was appointed acting secretary for the meeting. Discussion took place on the district dinner and details of the social evening to follow the association striking competition were given.

Mr. K. H. Fleming (Central Council representative) gave a report of the meeting at Ilkley and stated that many items on the agenda were topics discussed at our meetings. He felt that in the district we were aware of what is happening within the Exercise.

Ringing continued in the evening with Mr. R. V. Webb as ringing master. During the meeting the district were pleased to welcome visitors from Kent, Surrey, Essex, Northants and Middlesex.

M. L. M.

**Bath and Wells Association.****A GREAT DISTRACTION**

On August 1 the Ilchester Branch held their monthly practice meeting at St. Mary's, Mudford, with the usual good attendance. Rounds and a variety of methods were rung on this 17 cwt. five under the direction of the branch ringing master and his assistant (Messrs. Gordon Rendell and Jim Taylor).

Ringers were welcomed by the tower master (Mr. Ken Deacon), and the vicar (Rev. Douglas White) invited all present to the Vicarage during the evening, where ample and delightful refreshments were available on the lawns, served by the ladies and friends. Some of the ringers found the lawns and refreshments—on a perfect summer evening—a great distraction from the ringing chamber!

The Ilchester Branch is grateful indeed to Mr. White, his helpers and the tower master for their hospitality and co-operation.

M. M. L.

**A NOTE OF LEVITY**

"Having heard recently about some carpenters doing work around a church and who went up through a ring of bells left up . . . fortunately without harm to bells or carpenters! . . . I am inspired to send for publication in your "Little sayings of the week" sections, the following notice that used to adorn the armoury in a National Service camp (author unknown), and which would be useful at the entrance of a bell chamber:

What you don't know won't hurt you . . . it will probably kill you!

There used to be another good one in the ammunition hut:

Smoke if you must, then leave by the hole which will appear in the ceiling.

And on that profound note of levity, I remain . . . —From a correspondent.



## Letters

### FALSE COMPOSITIONS

Dear Sir,—With reference to Joe Roast's recent letter, the falseness of this composition was pointed out in letters from myself and Richard Parker on pages 616 and 654 of *The Ringing World* for 1967.

This recent incident only serves to emphasise the point that the correction never catches up with the mistake. With the availability of computers to prove compositions so easily, has not the time come for all compositions to be independently proved before publication and not haphazardly afterwards?—Yours faithfully,  
Putney, London, DEREK E. SIBSON.

### METHOD NAMES—SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Dear Sir,—It has been pointed out that the names Twickenham and Welford have already been used for Surprise methods and rung to peals. The methods published on page 608 of the R.W. for July 31, 1970, under these names have therefore been renamed.

Twickenham S. Maximus has been renamed **TRAFFORD S. Maximus**.

—5T—16—12—36—14—3T—16—3T—  
36—3T—36— h.l. 3T  
l.h. 12 (f)

Welford S. Maximus has been renamed **KILSBY S. Maximus**.

—5T—16—56—3T—34—3T—14—5T—  
16—7T—10— h.l. 9T  
l.h. 12 (b)

It is worth noting that the comments on page 608 regarding Twickenham S. Maximus now apply to Trafford S. Maximus, i.e., that the method is a true extension of Wembley S. Royal but cannot be named Wembley since Wembley S. Maximus has already been rung and is a true extension of Wembley S. Major.—Yours faithfully,  
Yelvertoft, Rugby. JOHN H. FIELDEN.

### "LOOK TO . . ."

Dear Sir,—May I be forgiven for offering advice on ringing, since I myself am not far removed from the rabbit stage. But time and time again I hear and see the ritual of "Look to, treble's going, she's gone" with an obvious ignorance on the part of the ringer of what the "look to" is for. When I was taught to ring the treble my tutor made it clear to me that "look to" was an instruction to the other ringers to look to their ropes and get set, and only when I had checked that they were all of them ready was I to go on with pulling off the treble, say she's going and when she's gone. So often at meetings and practice nights, and even on the B.B.C. television of *The Ringing Isle*, the treble ringer fails to look around to see that people have "looked to"!

So—look to it, treble ringers . . . and instructors!—Yours faithfully,  
Swanage, Dorset. HUGH FALKNER.

### BRIDES OF ENDERBY

Dear Sir,—I remember well having a long discussion at school a number of years ago on this subject. Our conclusion was that the phrase was simply a poetic euphemism for the bells. After all, Lord Peter Wimsey met Gaude, Jericho and Tailor Paul in his travels. Could it be that Jean Ingelow was sticking more to the tradition of regarding the bells as feminine?—Yours faithfully,  
Redcar, Yorks. PETER SOTHERAN.

### RINGING AT BRADPOLE

Dear Sir,—I am trying to collect any quarter peals rung on the bells of Holy Trinity, Bradpole, Dorset.

We have complete records from 1963 to the present day. If any reader rang a quarter peal at Bradpole, or knows of anyone who rang one there before 1963, would they be good enough to send details to me at 74 Crock Lane, Bothenhampton, Bridport. A date, year and method would be helpful, but if the band is available this would be even better.—Yours faithfully,  
MELVYN J. HILLER.

Bridport, Dorset.

### WILLIAM PYE

Dear Sir,—I have read with great interest the article by Edgar C. Shepherd on William Pye. My father, the late C. T. Coles, and he were lifelong friends, Bill Pye having conducted my father's first peal and my father conducted Bill's last. He and his family were frequent visitors to our house—both handbell and social visits—but I got to know him well when, after leaving school, I worked for him in his building business at Leytonstone. Bill was a man of austere and sometimes strange habits, a non-smoker and almost teetotal, with the same integrity in his business dealings as with ringing; very human, his bark always worse than his bite, and always able to see the humorous side of any situation. I remember his mirth on hearing his band of ringers referred to by a non-ringer as "Pye-cans".

Many stories he told of his early life, of driving steam traction engines with a man and red flag in front. He, together with his father and brother, Bob (George R.), were among the first "agricultural engineers," travelling from farm to farm with traction engines and mechanised farm equipment, pioneers of modern mechanised farming. Later, and for many years, he was a railway carpenter; this for him often meant peal ringing on Saturday afternoon, then straight on to an urgent track-laying or bridge building job, working night and day to get the trains running first thing Monday morning.

One memory I have of Bill Pye was the record peal of 10,440 changes Cambridge Royal at Walthamstow on Boxing Day, 1923. Still a schoolboy, I went with my father to hear the start. All the band arrived early except Bill; his brother informed them that Bill had been down with a bilious attack the previous evening. Bill arrived a little late, looking rather haggard. Upon being asked if he felt fit he replied: "It's a case of got to be fit, isn't it. Are the bells up yet?" He, of course, rang the tenor and conducted the peal.

I am enclosing an old photograph [unfortunately not good enough for reproduction—Ed.J. Bill is standing in front of his own car!—a Ford T type chassis with a body fitted by himself, used by him in his business and also for ringers' outings and tours. He once took it on a peal tour of Leicestershire. The photo is of Walthamstow ringers about 1920. The other car was a Ford tourer owned by his brother, Bob. Incidentally, Bill's car had no protection whatever from the weather for either driver or passengers.

Looking back, I feel it to be a great honour to have known so great a ringer and "character" as William Pye.—Yours faithfully,

C. T. W. COLES.

London, E.

### BROADCAST BELLS

Dear Sir,—With regard to the comments in the report of the Broadcasting and Television Committee, an account of our experience at Grantham, Lincs, may be of help to ringers when services from their churches are to be broadcast.

When we heard that our harvest festival service was to be recorded for B.B.C. Television one of our ringers asked the vicar if the bells were to be included. "Do you think they ought to be?" "Yes," said the ringer. "Then I'll write to the B.B.C." replied the vicar.

A few days later we heard that plans had been made to record the bells on the Saturday evening previous to the service. When the time came for this to be done there were no involved arrangements—the recording engineer merely held a microphone out of the window of the B.B.C. van parked near the church and a touch of Grandsire Caters was rung and recorded.

This shows, I think, how easily things can be done—a word with the vicar, a letter to the company and a quick, uncomplicated tape recording.—Yours faithfully,

D. A. FRITH.

Grantham, Lincs.

### DIARY DETAILS

Dear Sir,—I returned from holiday and on looking through the previous week's R.W. noticed to my horror that I had about three days in which to supply information to Mr. Viggers for the 1971 *Ringers' Diary*, regarding Guild officers, etc.

I had not noticed the original request which, I presume, was in an earlier edition and, judging by the fact that there were 56 other secretaries who had not responded, I was not the only one. Had I stayed away as long as I had intended it would have been too late.

Since this is a commercial venture I feel that each secretary should be sent a request for information in the form of a questionnaire and the Diary publishers should not rely on notices in the R.W. being spotted.—Yours faithfully,

DAVID FORDER, Gen. Sec.,  
Winchester and Portsmouth Guild.  
Chandler's Ford, Hants.

### MORE HELP WANTED

Dear Sir,—Some time ago some of your readers were very helpful in supplying me with information regarding the weights, diameters, founders and dates of casting of bells in a number of city towers.

May I, through the columns of *The Ringing World*, ask if anyone can supply me with similar information regarding (a) the former rings of bells at (1) St. Nicholas, Liverpool, including subsequent recasting by John Warner; (2) St. Luke, Bold Street, Liverpool; (3) St. Botolph, Boston, Lincs; (4) St. Bride, Fleet Street, London; (5) St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, London (at the time of the restoration and recasting by Gillett and Johnston); (6) Ripon Minster.

(b) The present bells at: (1) the one bell at St. Bride's, Fleet Street; (2) Ely Cathedral; (3) St. Mary Woolnoth, London; (4) St. Mary Mag., Old Fish Street; (5) St. Bartholomew the Great, Smithfield; (6) St. John, Waterloo Road; St. Luke, Chelsea; (8) Wells Cathedral; (9) Chichester Cathedral.—Yours faithfully,

JIM HEDGCOCK.

37 Wilson Street,  
St. Helens, Lancs.



## THE 4-BELL TOWERS OF WORCESTERSHIRE

By Paul Cattermole and Christopher Pickford.

### Abbot's Morton (St. Peter).

6½ cwt. in A sharp. Treble and third, Thomas Mears II, 1842; second, Thomas Hancox II, of Walsall, 1633; tenor, mediæval, "Royal Head" bell, cast at Worcester, c 1420.

The frame and fittings date from 1842 and are by Thomas Mears. The frame is positioned diagonally to the walls of the tower. The fittings are somewhat derelict, with the wheels falling to pieces and the headstocks decaying. The tower is thought to be unsafe.

### Alfrick (St. Mary Magdalene).

2½ cwt. in F. A complete four by John Rudhall, dated 1820, and inscribed with the names of their donors. The gear dates from 1820, is in very good condition, and the frame was rebuilt at that time. The bells are "clocked" at present, though the gear is perfectly sound. There is, however, some doubt about the safety of the timber tower, though one would not have thought that such light bells could be the source of any danger. The tone of the bells is excellent and they are to receive professional attention.

### Birtmorton (SS. Peter and Paul).

9 cwt. in A. Treble and second by John Martin, of Worcester, 1665; third, mediæval, by Robert Crowch, of London, c 1440; tenor, Thomas Hancox I, of Walsall, 1630.

The mediæval frame was altered in the 17th century and is now unsafe. The gear dates from the early 19th century and is no longer serviceable. The bells are tuned as the front four of a ring of six.

### Defford (St. James).

6 cwt. in C. Treble and tenor by Charles Carr, of Smethwick, 1903; second, Harry Farmer, of Gloucester, 1604; third, Matthew Bagley, of Evesham, 1689.

The old treble, by a mediæval Worcester founder, was recast by Carr in 1903. At the same time he added the tenor and hung the bells with new fittings in a new composite iron and wood frame. They are ringable but not regularly rung.

### Eastham (SS. Peter and Paul).

7 cwt. 1 qr. 17 lb in A. Treble, Abel Rudhall, 1745; second, John Martin, 1663; third, John Martin, 1655; tenor, Abraham Rudhall I, 1699.

These fine bells were rehung in a new steel frame, on ball bearings and new fittings in 1949 by Taylor's of Loughborough. They go well and sound excellent. There was a local band in 1960 but its activities have ceased.

### Himbleton (St. Mary Magdalene).

9½ cwt. in G. A complete ring of four by John Martin, of Worcester, cast in 1675. The bells have rather quaint and interesting inscriptions. The mediæval frame is built into the timber tower and was altered in the 17th century. The gear dates from the mid-19th century and is in reasonable condition, but the clock, which was put in in 1910, was installed without much forethought, and the hammers and other parts of the clock prevent treble and tenor from being swung. The organ and the clock are both in the way of the rope circle and so the bells cannot have been rung since before 1910. The bells are tuned as numbers 1, 2, 3, 5, of a ring of five.

### Holt (St. Martin).

10 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in F sharp. Treble, Richard Saunders, of Bromsgrove, 1713; second, mediæval, uninscribed, c 1340; third, John Green II, of Worcester, 1632;

tenor, originally by John Green I, recast by Mears and Stainbank, 1937.

These bells are hung dead as a chime, but as such are very fine. They hang in a much decayed mediæval oak frame. There is also a small sanctus bell.

### Pendock.

7 cwt. in A flat. Treble and third, Abel Rudhall, 1753 and 1745 respectively; second, Abraham Rudhall I, very early bell, 1686; tenor, Bond, of Burford, 1908.

The bells are numbers 1, 3, 4 and 5 of a ring of five, the second having disappeared long ago. They are hung dead for chiming, except the tenor, in a 17th century five-bell frame. The tone of the bells is very harsh.

### Queenhill (St. Nicholas).

7 cwt. in B. 1, Abraham Rudhall I, 1718; 2 Abraham Rudhall I, 1718; 3, John Martin, of Worcester, 1680; 4, Henry Farmer, of Gloucester, 1602.

These bells are certainly unringable, and even inspection was dangerous. The treble has jumped out of its pit and rests on the floor of the third pit, this happened because of the looseness of the frame. The frame is basically of 15th century construction, while the gear in each case corresponds with the date of the bell to which it belongs.

### Spetchley (All Saints).

6½ cwt. in B flat. A complete mediæval four of which only one bell, the third, bears an inscription. This bell is an early bell of Richard le Bellyeter, of Worcester, c 1430. The frame dates from the 18th century and the gear dates from 1904, when the bells were rehung by James Barwell and Co. They are ringable, and have recently been attended to by the King's School, Worcester, Change Ringing Society, who moved the ringing chamber down to the ground floor. The bells do not conform to any known musical scale.

One quarter peal is recorded on the bells, rung in 1960, by a band of schoolboys. The method was Spetchley Court Bob Minimus and the band consisted of J. E. Pullen (treble), M. J. Fellows (second), M. D. Fellows (third) and P. Cattermole (tenor).

### Stanford-on-Teme (St. Mary).

5 cwt. in C sharp. Treble, Richard Keene, of Woodstock (probably cast in the locality), 1673; second, Abel Rudhall, 1753; third, mediæval, Richard le Bellyeter, of Worcester, c 1440; tenor, mediæval, as Spetchley third, c 1430.

The third bell is cracked from the waist to soundbow. The tenor is a very fine, shapely and well-toned bell. The frame and fittings are both of mid-18th century vintage and are unserviceable, the frame being sadly decayed and the gear neglected. The safety of the tower is questionable. There is also a small sanctus bell.

## ADDENDUM

**Bricklehampton** (6 cwt.). These bells are not totally unringable, and have been rung recently, though they are not to be recommended.

**Dormston** (4½ cwt. in C sharp). These bells also can be rung, but the clappers will not strike at the right time, and again should not be rung, though they can be.

East Grinstead Guild.

## NO SEPTEMBER MEETING

On August 8 the guild met at Speldhurst and despite torrential rain there was a very good attendance. After ringing, picnic teas were eaten in cars because of the weather, but the business meeting was held in the ringing room. The chairman announced that there would be no September meeting but he urged members to go to the Croydon festival. He also asked members soon to contact Mr. C. A. Bassett to book seats for the outing in October.

It is hoped to visit East Grinstead in November, and in December the guild will be joining the Northern District of Sussex for a ringers' service. Members were told that an evening practice would be held at Hever in August.

Thanks were expressed to E. J. Ladd and J. E. Warner for preparing the bells and ropes, and also to Mr. E. Turley.

R. J. E.

## Guildford Guild.

### DISTRICT OUTING CANCELLED

The Farnham District meeting on August 1 was held at Hawley, 26 district members and 16 visitors being present. The guild service was conducted by the Rev. E. Garth-Long (vicar) and the organist was Alan Rapley, a young ringer from Grayshott. Tea and the business meeting followed in the village hall with Mr. Tom Page, district ringing master, in the chair.

New members elected were Miss Gillian Cornell (Grayshott) and Mr. J. Reynolds (Hawley).

It was decided to hold advanced practices in September and October, one of these to be at Aldershot, with the next evening practice meeting at Bentley in September. It was stated that the district outing had had to be cancelled for lack of support. Mr. Page thanked the vicar, the organist and the ladies.

Ringing continued in the evening.

M. A. R.

## WISE PRECAUTIONS

No bells! No clock! No weather vane! It is one of my boasts about Lillington Parish Church that one of its bells has rung out over the fields and houses of Lillington at least once a week for the past 600 years. But now the tower roof has had to be renewed. Who even knows there is a roof on the tower?—but there is, and it protects our bells which must be looked after. — From Orbit, the Lillington magazine.

**Kington** (4 cwt. in D sharp). These bells are ringable and go well; they sound very pleasant. They were rehung early this century.

**South Littleton** (8-1-1 in A). These bells were rehung in 1968 in a steel frame for six and on ball bearings.

**White Ladies, Aston** (7½ cwt. in C). These bells are ringable, but at the expense of the tower. They do not go well, and the tenor is virtually unringable despite the fact that they were rehung in 1904.

**Wichenford** (7 cwt. in B). These bells, rehung in 1898, have recently been restored locally, and the gudgeons removed and the bearings cleared. They are ringable and are reported to go well.



## Quarter Peals

**Aldridge, Staffs.**—July 20, 1260 Double Oxford Minor: Sharon Magonigle 1, Cynthia Humphreys 2, J. P. Burton 3, Daphne Appleby 4, N. R. White 5, J. L. Humphreys (cond.) 6. For Matins. First in method by all.

**Algarkirk, Lincs.**—Aug. 2, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. A. J. Singleton 1, Yvonne Singleton 2, H. Barsley 3, R. Stephenson 4, M. J. Belcher (cond.) 5, A. J. Singleton 6. A farewell to Rev. M. H. Stagg, Vicar of Fosdyke, curate of Algarkirk.

**Allesley, Coventry.**—Aug. 2, 1264 Bob Major: Deborah Eyles (first quarter) 1, H. G. Summers 2, F. W. Perrens 3, W. A. Stote 4, L. M. Callow 5, I. D. Thompson (cond.) 6, I. F. Garvie 7, F. Shallicross 8. For Matins.

**Ash Priors, Som.**—July 20, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Medway 1, Mrs. P. Medway 2, J. Shepherd 3, Mrs. Jane Shepherd 4, R. A. Cross (cond.) 5, F. Pike 6.

**Awre, Glos.**—Aug. 2, 1380 Bob Minor: R. Betterton (first quarter) 1, R. Hume 2, Kathryn Lloyd 3, J. Long 4, R. Philpott 5, P. Coddington (cond.) 6.

**Barcombe, Sussex.**—Aug. 6, 1260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob): A. Turner 1, E. M. L. Macadam 2, Rosemary Lelliott (first as cond.) 3, R. R. Kennard 4, Gillian S. M. L. Macadam 5, B. I. Dudman 6. 18th birthday compliment to Rosemary Lelliott.

**Basildon, Essex.**—June 15, 1260 Bob Doubles: S. J. Clarke 1-2, G. I. Lucas (cond.) 3-4, Eleanor J. Clemo 5-6. Also June 22, 1260 Bob Doubles: S. J. Clarke 1-2, G. I. Lucas (cond.) 3-4, Eleanor J. Clemo 5-6. Also 1360 Doubles (2 methods): S. J. Clarke 1-2, G. I. Lucas (cond.) 3-4, Eleanor J. Clemo 5-6. First in more than one method for all.

**Battle, Sussex.**—July 31, 1273 Grandsire Triples: D. J. Winchester 1, F. J. Lambert 2, Ann Smith 3, A. R. Baldock 4, H. G. F. Reynolds 5, I. V. J. Smith (cond.) 6, D. R. Reed 7, I. S. Holland 8. A welcome to Rev. H. R. Darby (formerly of Waltham Abbey), following his induction as Dean and Vicar of Battle.

**Bicker, Lincs.**—August 2, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Smith (first quarter) 1, Yvonne Singleton 2, Mrs. A. J. Singleton (first inside) 3, M. J. Belcher (cond.) 4, D. Fensom (25th quarter) 5, A. J. Singleton 6. Golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Coleman, of Swineshead.

**Binsted, Hants.**—Aug. 8, 1260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: Cristina Bowles 1, Maureen Tipper 2, R. Tipper 3, K. Sansom 4, K. Tipper (cond.) 5, D. Hughes 6. A wedding compliment to Richard Edwards (of Binsted Vicarage) and Margaret Banfield, married this day at St. Barnabas, Northolt, Middx.

**Blackburn, Lancs.**—Cathedral, April 26, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Susan Hill 1, J. Skeats 2, F. West 3, P. Woods 4, G. Howarth 5, I. Smith 6, B. Hill (cond.) 7, M. Hill 8. For Evensong.

**Blackwell, Derbs.**—July 29, 1260 Minor (720 Kent, 540 Plain Bob): Miss J. A. Smith 1, A. Smithson 2, W. Riley 3, C. Davis 4, D. Hird 5, L. G. Smith (cond.) 6. For Flower Festival and for 2nd ringer's first grandchild.

**Bosbury, Herefords.**—Aug. 3, 1260 Stedman Doubles: Helen Taylor 1, Clare Taylor 2, A. Ewins (first Stedman) 3, E. J. Taylor (cond.) 4, Hilda Taylor 5, Ann Herbert 6.

**Bourton-on-the-Hill, Glos.**—Aug. 4, 1260 Doubles (three methods): Helen Taylor 1, Ann Herbert (first in three methods) 2, Clare Taylor 3, Hilda Taylor 4, E. J. Taylor (cond.) 5, A. Ewins 6.

**Braughing, Herts.**—Aug. 2, 1260 Grandsire Triples: M. Tott 1, W. Hunt (cond.) 2, P. J. Glazebrook 3, K. Westwood 4, P. Warboys 5, A. Richardson 6, L. Luck 7, G. Skipp 8. For Parish Communion.

**Bredon's Norton, Worcs.**—Aug. 5, 1296 Cambridge S. Minor: Ann Herbert 1, Clare Taylor 2, Hilda Taylor 3, Helen Taylor 4, A. Ewins (first in method) 5, E. J. Taylor (cond.) 6.

**Buckley, Flintshire.**—Aug. 5, 1344 Grandsire Triples: Sheila Williams (first Triples) 1, Norah Randles 2, Rachel Collins 3, B. R. Millward 4, G. H. Randles 5, E. Evans 6, D. H. B. Millward (cond.) 7, D. N. Collins 8. Birthday compliment to 5 and 7.

**Broadwell, Stow-on-the-Wold, Glos.**—July 23, 1260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): P. C. Rogers 1, N. C. Rogers 2, L. C. Dowdeswell 3, Betty M. Rogers 4, S. P. Rogers (cond.) 5.

**Buckingham.**—June 30, 1280 Cambridge S. Major: A. Green (first quarter) 1, A. Haseldine 2, R. W. Yates 3, D. Miles 4, W. A. Yates 5, R. Haseldine 6, B. Eglesfield 7, G. E. Green (cond.) 8.

**Buriton, Hants.**—Aug. 9, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. N. deCombe 1, D. Brown 2, K. Sansom (cond.) 3, H. deCombe 4, Rev. P. Gallup 5, F. Hagenbuch 6. For Evensong and to mark the Flower and Music Festival.

**Burton Bradstock, Dorset.**—Aug. 5, 1320 Cambridge S. Minor: C. W. H. Powell (cond.) 1, I. Calvert 2, Helen A. Haines 3, D. B. Ellery 4, M. J. Hiller 5, R. Haines 6. Wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. Haines.

**Burton-on-Trent, Staffs.**—July 29, 1256 Little Bob Major: Cynthia Humphries 1, Daphne Appleby 2, N. R. White 3, J. P. Burton 4, Frances Mulvey 5, M. J. Mulvey 6, J. L. Humphries 7, D. J. Bates (cond.) 8.

**Cheriton, Kent.**—Aug. 1, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Mary Munt 1, R. J. Elliott (cond.) 2, G. L. Webb 3, Dilys Eastmead 4, Rachael J. Sinden 5, A. J. Binstead 6, A. C. Eastmead 7, J. Thorne 8. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Webb on the birth of their first granddaughter (Sharon).

**Chiseldon, Wilts.**—Aug. 6, 1260 Doubles (six methods): Peta M. Lloyd 1, Margaret Bowman 2, Jackie Pursur 3, Ann Toomer 4, T. R. Jones (cond.) 5, S. W. Hale 6. Most methods for 1, 3, 6 and as conductor. For the Feast of the Transfiguration; also farewell to Jackie Pursur.

**Chobham, Surrey.**—Aug. 2, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: T. L. Baker 1, Patricia C. Hill 2, Sarah E. Marshall 3, J. F. Payne 4, T. Wellen (cond.) 5, F. G. Wheeler 6.

**Church Eaton, Staffs.**—June 30, 1260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob): S. W. Illidge 1, R. Terry 2, K. A. Russell 3, D. R. Hawksworth 4, P. R. Johnson (cond.) 5, M. Bradley (first on six) 6. Also July 15, 1260 Doubles (three methods): S. W. Illidge 1, K. A. Russell 2, P. J. Bryan 3, P. R. Johnson (cond.) 4, M. G. Williamson 5, H. E. Green 6. For Patronal Festival.

**Cleator Moor, Cumberland.**—Aug. 4, 1260 Bob Doubles: Dennise McClean (first quarter) 1, J. E. Brown 2, F. Richardson 3, W. Seward 4, Mary Dodd (cond.) 5, J. Robinson 6. For 70th birthday of the Queen Mother.

**Coddington, Notts.**—Aug. 2, 1260 Doubles (five methods): J. Draycott 1, K. C. Vernon 2, P. Raithby 3, P. F. Curtis 4, D. E. Kirtan (cond.) 5, D. L. W. Tomlinson 6. Diamond wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Simpson.

**Codsall, Staffs.**—June 24, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: P. R. Johnson (cond.) 1, P. J. Bryan 2, H. E. Green 3, S. W. Illidge 4, D. Head 5, F. E. Fowell 6. Half-muffled in memoriam Mr. F. Child, for many years Sunday School superintendent. Also July 1, 1260 Grandsire Triples: S. W. Illidge 1, P. D. Sell 2, P. J. Bryan 3, D. Head 4, D. R. Hawksworth 5, P. R. Johnson (cond.) 6, M. G. Williamson 7, H. E. Green 8. On the day preceding the induction of a former curate (Rev. Roy Gabe Davies) at St. Stephen's, Wolverhampton.

**Corscombe, Dorset.**—July 29, 1320 Doubles (44 m/v): Helen A. Haines 1, D. B. Ellery 2, I. Calvert 3, M. J. Hiller (cond.) 4, R. Haines 5, I. L. Andrews 6. First in 44 m/v for all.

**Croft, Leics.**—Aug. 4, 1320 Bob Doubles: F. Watson 1, Susan M. Clarke (first quarter) 2, M. P. Brown 3, Carole I. U. Brown 4, J. E. Harrold (cond.) 5, C. C. Atkins (first quarter) 6. For the Queen Mother's 70th birthday.

**Dewsbury, Yorks.**—Aug. 9, 1344 Bob Major: R. Richardson (cond.) 1, V. Bottomley 2, Esther Sharp (first quarter) 3, J. Ineson 4, E. Betts 5, K. Ineson 6, G. Richardson 7, D. Carruthers 8. A compliment to Bob and Gail Cater on the birth of a daughter.

**Downham, Essex.**—June 21, 1260 Bob Doubles: W. F. White 1, P. A. Cammiade (first on tower bells) 2, H. E. Oliver 3, A. G. Gibbs (25th quarter, first as cond. on tower bells, aged 14) 4, G. Mason 5, R. Jamieson (first attempt) 6. For Evensong. Also July 12, 1260 Bob Doubles: W. F. White 1, P. A. Cammiade 2, H. E. Oliver 3, G. Mason (25th quarter, first as cond. on tower bells, aged 14) 4, A. G. Gibbs 5. For Evensong.

**Drayton, Oxon.**—Aug. 4, 1260 Bob Doubles: P. Absolom 1, F. Absolom 2, G. McHilhone (cond.) 3, D. Exon 4, J. Godman 5, R. Embling 6. First quarter 1 and 6. 40th wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. Embling.

**East Hoathly, Sussex.**—July 30, 1260 Doubles (five m/v): B. I. Dudman (first away from cover) 1, A. Turner 2, Gilliam Macadam 3, Rosemary Lelliott 4, R. R. Kennard (cond.) 5, E. M. L. Macadam 6. 21st birthday compliment to Brian Dudman.

**Eastnor, Herefords.**—Aug. 3, 1440 Oxford and Kent T.B. Minor: Ann Herbert 1, Helen Taylor 2, Clare Taylor 3, Hilda Taylor 4, A. Ewins 5, E. J. Taylor (cond.) 6. First T.B. for 1 and 5.

**Easton Neston, Northants.**—June 9, 1264 Bob Major: A. Mansfield 1, J. Linnell 2, W. J. Chester 3, Miss B. Mansfield 4, W. A. Yates (cond.) 5, W. F. Eyden 6, G. Shellard 7, B. E. Saunders 8. To mark the retirement of Mr. A. Mansfield, branch ringing master.

**Exhall, Warks.**—Aug. 8, 1260 Doubles (four methods): R. Rogers 1, I. Unsworth 2, T. C. Bonam 3, G. S. Hall 4, H. Curtis 5, G. Barnett 6. Conducted by 2, 3, 4 and 5. First quarter for 1 and 6.

**Faringdon, Berks.**—County Grammar School for Girls, July 2, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Alice M. E. Hutchins (cond.) 1, 1-2, Julia H. Shilling (14) 3-4, Michele Raymont (14) 5-6, Christine Windridge (14) 7-8. First quarter for all and first as conductor. 80th birthday compliment to Mr. Hewitt and for the School's Golden Jubilee.

**Gospel Oak, N.W.5.**—Aug. 9, 1260 Bob Doubles: N. Gower (first away from tenor) 1, Diana Triplow (first inside) 2, Dianne Gazeley 3, K. Triplow (cond.) 4, R. Tompsett 5, W. Knight 6. For Matins. First Bob Doubles for 2, 3, 5.

**Gresford, Denbighs.**—Aug. 8, 1280 Bob Major: Rachel Williams 1, F. R. Evans 2, Norah M. Randles 3, J. W. Griffiths (cond.) 4, G. H. Randles 5, D. H. B. Millward 6, D. N. Collins 7, E. Evans (first in method) 8. To mark the ceasefire in the Middle East and hope for a successful peace agreement.

**Harlow Common, Essex.**—Aug. 1, 1280 Bob Major: F. Whitby 1, J. Collins 2, Miss J. Flight 3, V. Tipton 4, R. Hayden 5, S. Clark 6, R. Walker 7, W. Hunt (cond.) 8. A farewell to Rev. Howard Gribble (vicar), leaving for Cornwall to be rector of Lezant and Lawhitton.

**Harpenden, Herts.**—Aug. 2, 1264 Bob Major: J. D. Painter (cond.) 1, Mary A. Coburn 2, Diana Parrott 3, Catherine M. Bew 4, L. G. Coburn 5, E. Broom 6, T. J. Southam 7, M. J. Bew 8. Golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Day. Also Aug. 9, 1264 Bob Major: G. W. Debenham 1, Sheila Brown 2, Mary A. Coburn 3, W. J. Arnold 4, L. G. Coburn 5, F. C. Jacklin 6, F. W. Ellis 7, M. J. Bew (cond.) 8. In thanksgiving for the life, work and friendship of Mrs. Arthur Day, died August 3rd, 1970.

**Harrold, Beds.**—June 26, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: N. Carthy (first quarter) 1, K. C. Wildman (first quarter) 2, T. J. F. Groger (first quarter) 3, Miss J. S. Wildman (first inside) 4, A. J. Collins (cond.) 5, K. S. Booker (first quarter) 6. A thanksgiving for the completion of the restoration of the spire. Also June 27, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Williams (first quarter) 1, K. C. Wildman 2, Miss P. Wilson (first quarter) 3, Miss J. S. Wildman 4, A. J. Collins (cond.) 5, K. S. Booker 6. To celebrate the birth of twin grandchildren to the Rev. and Mrs. R. H. G. Cooper. Also June 28, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Williams 1, Miss J. S. Wildman 2, T. J. F. Groger 3, K. C. Wildman 4, A. J. Collins (cond.) 5, G. G. Smith (first quarter) 6. For Matins. Also June 28, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss M. J. Smith 1, K. C. Wildman 2, Miss P. Wilson 3, Miss J. S. Wildman 4, A. J. Collins (cond.) 5, K. S. Booker 6. For Evensong.

**Henbury, Bristol.**—By Thornbury band, 1260 Grandsire Triples: G. Jackson 1, Miss J. E. Bell 2, Mrs. E. Chapman 3, G. T. Collins 4, S. Poole 5, E. G. Mould (cond.) 6, D. A. Chapman 7, W. C. Exell 8. Also by Henbury band, 1260 Grandsire Triples: D. Haskins 1, Elizabeth M. Brooke 2, Gwen I. Bloomfield 3, G. Locke 4, D. Whetton 5, D. Huddleston 6, A. Bennett 7, D. Andrews 8. Both for Flower Festival.

**Hendon, Middx.**—July 4, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Margaret Garrard 1, Dianne Gazeley 2, D. J. Gazeley 3, A. F. Warren 4, B. C. Watson (cond.) 5, B. Livings 6. For Patronal Festival.



**Hartlebury, Worcs.**—July 23, 1260 Stedman Triples: G. Bowen 1, E. M. Key 2, Lucy Key 3, Pamela Key 4, L. F. Smith 5, A. W. Glazzard 6, B. G. Key (cond.) 7, J. Hicks 8. A 21st birthday compliment to Lucy Key.

**Hillfarrance, Som.**—Aug. 6, 1260 Doubles (two methods, two variations): Miss G. M. Stevens 1, Rev. M. J. Odium 2, A. F. Lee (cond.) 3, W. Stevens 4, R. E. Colman 5, P. Symons (first quarter) 6. The tenor ringer's first blows in method ringing.

**Histon, Cambs.**—Aug. 2, 1280 Cambridge S. Major: Margaret Rumsey 1, W. Muncey 2, Kathleen Jordan 3, H. Muncey 4, C. Muncey 5, B. Hullah 6, H. Foster 7, M. Hawes (cond.) 8. To welcome back the vicar (Rev. W. F. Jenkins) and Mrs. Jenkins.

**Hoby, Leics.**—Aug. 6, 1260 Doubles (three methods): Karen French 1, H. T. Bonshor (cond.) 2, J. H. Cook 3, A. French 4, C. E. Cooper 5. Half-muffled in memoriam Charles Hector Stonehouse, ringer for over 40 years.

**Hodnet, Salop.**—July 31, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Noeleen Mothershaw (first Triples) 1, P. Morris 2, Ann Sisley (first Triples inside) 3, Miss P. Stocken 4, E. F. Wilcox (cond.) 5, R. H. Newton 6, R. E. Morris 7, G. Mothershaw (first Triples) 8.

**Hordle, Hants.**—July 21, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Williamson 1, Janet Blackburn 2, Flora Stocker 3, A. Nunn (cond.) 4, Faith Riley 5, A. Webster 6. Half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. M. Lewis (tower captain).

**Houghton Conquest, Beds.**—July 15, 1260 Bob Minor: P. A. Keene 1, R. A. Ward 2, T. P. Harris 3, I. N. Pett 4, D. W. Manton 5, S. J. Ivin (cond.) 6. To mark 13 years' ministry in the parish by the rector (Rev. F. J. Williams).

**Ickleton, Cambs.**—Aug. 9, 1280 Kent T.B. Major: L. Flitton 1, Mrs. J. Webster 2, G. Lilley 3, D. Lilley 4, C. Rule 5, R. Griggs 6, E. Pye (cond.) 7, W. Pye 8. First Kent Major 2, 4, 5 and 6. By the Sunday service band for Evensong. The ringers of 7 and 8 are son and grandson of William Pye.

**Ipswich, Suffolk.**—(St. Clement's), Aug. 9, 1260 Bob Minor: D. G. Salter 1, P. W. Archer 2, F. A. J. Steward 3, W. K. Whittell 4, A. R. Bridges 5, J. Hollins (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also 1260 Bob Minor: D. G. Salter (first quarter of Minor) 1, S. D. Pettman (cond.) 2, W. K. Whittell 3, F. A. J. Steward (first quarter of Minor) 4, A. R. Bridges 5, A. T. Beckwith 6. For Evensong.

**Kelston, Bath, Som.**—Aug. 3, 1260 Doubles (four methods): M. Cannon 1, H. J. Coombs 2, P. Devrell 3, R. Perry 4, A. Coombs (cond.) 5, P. Blacker 6. For the Queen Mother's 70th birthday.

**Kingston-upon-Thames, Surrey.**—Aug. 2, 1283 Erin Triples: Rosemary Cotton 1, Jennifer Starbuck 2, Lesley A. Hawes 3, R. J. Talbot 4, C. D. Collin 5, B. J. Stone 6, J. R. Pratt (cond.) 7, C. P. Starbuck 8. First of Erin for 3, 5 and 6. For Evensong.

**Leaton, Salop.**—July 10, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: A. E. G. Owen 1, Patricia C. Stocken 2, F. H. Bennett 3, R. H. Newton 4, E. F. Willcox (cond.) 5.

**Leytonstone, E.11.**—(St. John's), Aug. 2, 1280 Lincolnshire S. Major: Marion A. Cass (first Treble Bob) 1, Louise Slater 2, M. Wareing 3, C. Willmington 4, G. H. Walker 5, J. E. Murfitt 6, K. A. Hughes (cond.) 7, J. C. Slater 8. First in method 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6. First as conductor in method.

**Little Aston, Staffs.**—Aug. 2, 1440 Cambridge S. Minor: R. Duckett 1, C. Duckett 2, Anita E. Foden 3, J. Paxton 4, P. G. Golder 5, M. W. Fairey (cond.) 6. A wedding compliment to John H. Allen and Penelope Sedgwick, married at Lichfield Cathedral the previous day.

**Little Comberton, Worcs.**—Aug. 5, 1260 Single Oxford Minor: Ann Herbert 1, Clare Taylor 2, Helen Taylor 3, A. Ewins (first in method) 4, Hilda Taylor (first in method as cond.) 5, E. J. Taylor 6.

**London.**—St. Margaret's, Westminster, July 31, 1260 Stedman Triples: W. Rawlings 1, D. Ellisden 2, J. Euston (cond.) 3, M. Williamson 4, J. Pratt 5, B. Stone 6, B. Mathews 7, E. Peett 8.

**Longstanton, Cambs.**—Aug. 2, 1264 Bob Major: W. Bavin 1, G. Crisp 2, Janet Hall 3, C. Gooding 4, E. Brown 5, Carol Brown 6, G. Lucas 7, M. Ginn (cond.) 8. An engagement compliment to Frances Ginn and Douglas Scutt.

**Luxborough, Som.**—Aug. 7, 1260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): S. Dennis 1, P. D. Bailey 2, R. N. Scholes 3, E. M. Barber 4, A. R. Jones (cond.) 5. First quarter on the bells for many years—possibly the first ever.

**Lympe, Kent.**—July 26, 1260 Doubles: Lorraine Thomas (first quarter) 1, R. P. Brotherton 2, Elizabeth Todd (cond.) 3, B. G. Butcher 4, M. J. Taylor 5, W. Beeching 6. Also Aug. 2, 1260 Doubles: R. Stainer 1, Zoe McMillan 2, R. P. Brotherton 3, Elizabeth Todd (cond.) 4, B. G. Butcher 5, M. J. Taylor 6.

**Maitland, N.S.W.**—Aug. 1, 1260 Bob Minor: Alison Goodman 1, Anne Carpenter 2, P. Parker 3, R. Bampton 4, K. Hendry 5, B. Ferris (cond.) 6. First of Minor on the bells for all. For the centenary of the first ringing of the bells.

**Marcham, Berks.**—Aug. 10, 1260 Doubles (two methods): Berice Large 1, Shirley Goble 2, B. Winter 3, N. Booth 4, C. J. Peale (cond.) 5, B. Finnigan (first quarter) 6. A farewell to Bev. and Elaine, leaving for Oxford.

**Milland, Sussex.**—July 25, 1260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: Janice Read (first quarter) 1, Mary White 2, R. Tipper 3, K. Tipper 4, D. Hughes (cond.) 5, K. Sansom 6.

**Mundford, Norfolk.**—Aug. 1, 1440 Minor (720 Cambridge, 720 Plain): W. J. Houghton 1, W. W. Cousins 2, R. Newson 3, L. W. Houghton 4, C. Cousins 5, N. V. Harding (cond.) 6.

**Nailsea, Som.**—Aug. 4, 1260 Doubles (two methods): L. Childs 1, L. Derrick (cond.) 2, D. Willis 3, J. Everard 4, W. Neath 5, H. Hardwidge 6. A 70th birthday compliment to Her Majesty the Queen Mother.

**Nempnett Thurbwell, Som.**—Aug. 6, 1440 Norfolk and Primrose S. Minor: Susan Stott 1, Brenda Sheppard 2, J. Trimm 3, C. Field 4, J. Sheppard (cond.) 5, A. Perry 6. First in methods by all.

**Newchurch, Kent.**—Aug. 3, 1260 Bob Doubles: Maisie Vantom 1, Margaret Piper (first quarter) 2, Lydia Terry 3, A. Binsted 4, R. Daniels 5, A. S. Phelps 6.

**North Wingfield, Derbys.**—July 28, 1264 Bob Major: Miss J. A. Smith 1, Mrs. D. A. Davis 2, L. G. Smith 3, P. Webber 4, D. A. Davis 5, D. Hird 6, C. Davis (cond.) 7, J. Timons 8. First as conductor.

**Norton-le-Moors, Staffs.**—July 31, 1260 Spliced Surprise Major (three methods): Miss J. Webb (first quarter) 1, Miss R. A. Bennett 2, Miss J. M. Millins 3, P. Phillips 4, J. A. J. Jack 5, O. Williams 6, W. H. Pickett 7, J. L. Shenton (cond.) 8.

**Nynehead, Som.**—July 10, 1320 Bob Doubles: I. Hughes 1, A. Kingscote 2, M. Durbin (first inside) 3, Mrs. A. Durbin 4, R. A. Cross (cond.) 5, F. H. Morris 6.

**Oaks-in-Charnwood, Leics.**—Aug. 2, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: E. Richardson (first quarter) 1, R. Graves (first quarter) 2, H. Moulton (cond.) 3, R. Pepper 4, J. Bowley 5, H. Hull (first quarter) 6. For Matins, prior to bells being dismantled for rehanging and augmenting.

**Padbury, Bucks.**—May 17, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Thatcher 1, R. W. Yates (cond.) 2, W. Lanyon 3, C. Gough 4, W. A. Yates 5, A. Thatcher 6. For Padbury Feast.

**Paulerspury, Northants.**—July 2, 1260 Bob Doubles: Mrs. W. A. Yates 1, W. A. Yates 2, W. Lanyon 3, P. W. Foster 4, R. W. Yates (cond.) 5, Miss S. Watson (first quarter) 6. To welcome a daughter to Rev. and Mrs. Ridley.

**Pembroke.**—Aug. 2, 1260 Bob Doubles: N. C. Rogers 1, Betty M. Rogers 2, C. Pattison (first inside) 3, P. C. Rogers 4, S. P. Rogers (cond.) 5, P. R. Lindley 6. For Evensong.

**Polesworth, Warks.**—June 21, 1260 Gedney Hill Place Doubles: Jane Myatt 1, M. Quimby 2, M. Allsopp 3, D. Hiorns 4, R. Knight (cond.) 5, A. Allsopp 6. For Evensong. First in method for all.

**Preston, Suffolk.**—Aug. 9, 1260 Bob Minor: J. P. Loveless 1, J. H. Brett 2, W. A. Perry 3, J. S. Connell 4, A. E. Peacock 5, R. A. Knight (cond.) 6.

**Ranworth, Norfolk.**—July 16, 1320 Bob Doubles: M. A. Frost 1, Margaret Bunting 2, J. B. Morley (cond.) 3, R. G. Walker 4, Carole Patey 5.

**Rochester, Kent.**—May 17, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Angela Egan (first quarter) 1, P. Andrews 2, G. Terris (first as cond.) 3, G. Round (first inside) 4, C. Osenten 5, J. Henley (cond.) 6.

**St. Mewan, Cornwall.**—Aug. 8, 1260 Doubles (three m/v): R. Pengelly 1, Valerie C. Pengelly 2, F. M. Bowers 3, Janet S. Evans 4, A. J. Davidson (cond.) 5, T. J. Bell 6. A compliment to the vicar, Rev. N. Jackson, on the marriage of his daughter the previous week.

**Shrewsbury, Salop.**—St. Chad's, Aug. 1, 1260 Bob Royal: Jennifer Beech 1, R. J. Warrilow 2, Patricia C. Stocken 3, P. J. Evans 4, I. Friend 5, A. Glover 6, L. D. K. Roberts 7, N. Holland 8, E. F. Willcox 9, F. Beech (cond.) 10.

**Sidbury, Devon.**—Aug. 8, 1264 Bob Major: Drucilla Pickard (first Major) 1, G. Baldam 2, Susan Stott 3, Brenda Sheppard 4, R. Perry (first Major) 5, J. Sheppard 6, C. Field 7, G. Hebden (first as cond.) 8.

**Solihull, Warks.**—Aug. 2, 1260 Grandsire Triples: W. H. Leeson 1, T. J. Warner (cond.) 2, Verona C. Naylor 3, E. J. Cole 4, V. Green 5, E. T. Lloyd 6, G. E. Fearn 7, A. Crabtree 8. For Evensong.

**Staplehurst, Kent.**—Aug. 8, 1260 Bob Doubles: Miss B. Tomlin 1, H. Baker 2, Jane Gilder 3, Miss F. Tomlin 4, N. Sheppard (cond.) 5, B. Mitchell 6. First in method for ringers of 3, 4 and 5. For the rector's silver wedding.

**Stratford-on-Avon, Warks.**—Aug. 9, 1264 Bob Major: J. A. Print 1, A. Borland (first Major) 2, F. C. Lyne 3, R. C. Chapman 4, M. Reed (first Major) 5, D. Bates (first inside) 6, C. R. Stead 7, J. L. Findon (cond.) 8. A wedding compliment to Jill Riley and Richard Danby.

**Tannington, Suffolk.**—July 29, 1260 Bob Doubles: J. Peters 1, N. Peters 2, N. Baldry 3, T. Hughes (cond.) 4, R. Peters 5, H. Archer 6. 18th birthday compliment to 3rd.

**Warrnam, Sussex.**—Aug. 2, 1260 Bob Minor: Audrey Ramsey 1, Elizabeth Watts 2, N. Carter 3, B. Pink 4, P. D. Smith 5, G. Francis (cond.) 6. First of Minor for treble and 2. For Evensong.

**West Bridgford, Notts.**—June 28, 1260 Bob Doubles: Judith Wall 1, W. Ratcliffe 2, Janet Crossland 3, D. Gyles 4, P. Beacroft (cond.) 5, R. Renshaw 6. First quarter inside and first as conductor. An engagement compliment to Peter Else (tower captain) and Janet Thornton (secretary).

**Windsor, Berks.**—Aug. 4 (Parish Church), 1280 Bob Major: G. Rawson 1, R. Butler (first Major) 2, Monica Blagrove 3, Rosamund Brown 4, E. Armstrong 5, L. Stilwell 6, W. Birmingham 7, F. T. Blagrove (cond.) 8. For the birthday of H.M. the Queen Mother.

**Wootton Waven, Warks.**—Aug. 8, 1260 Bob Minor: F. C. Lyne 1, Judith Ashby 2, M. R. Weatherhead 3, Hazel A. Mackenzie 4, R. M. Andrews 5, R. A. Sheasby (cond.) 6. A wedding compliment to Jill Riley and Richard J. Danby.

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**Peals****BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSN.****WINSFORD, Som, St. Mary Magdalene.**

Sat., Aug. 1, 1970, 2hr. 44min. (13½ cwt.)

**5040 MINOR** (1 extent Double Court and Grandsire, 2 Cambridge Surprise, 3 Plain Bob).

- 1 Rodney A. C. Cross
- \*2 Hilary F. Watson-Walker
- \*3 Peter D. Bailey
- 4 Adrian F. Arscott
- 5 Alec R. Jones
- 6 Roger M. Scholes (Conductor)

\*First in more than one method.

**EXFORD, Som, St. Mary Magdalene.**

Mon., Aug. 3, 1970, 2hr. 40min. (10½ cwt.)

**5040 MINOR** (Double Bob, Single Oxford, Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clements, Childwall and Plain Bob).

- 1 Hazel J. Nicholls
- \*2 Hilary F. Watson-Walker
- 3 E. Guy Slater
- 4 Elizabeth M. Barber
- 5 Frank Chambers
- 6 Roger N. Scholes (Conductor)

\*First in seven methods.

**CHILCOMPTON, Som, St. John the Baptist.**

Mon., Aug. 3, 1970, 2hr. 55min. (20 cwt.)

**5040 MINOR** (Double Court, Single Court, Double Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clements and Plain Bob).

- 1 Eric C. Wadman
- \*2 Jeremy D. Tarrant
- \*3 Clare Higby
- 4 Ronald G. Beck
- 5 David G. Massey
- †6 Edward J. Chivers (Conductor)

\*First in seven methods inside. †250th peal. Birthday compliment to Ronald Beck.

**LUCCOMBE, Som, St. Mary the Virgin.**

Tues., Aug. 4, 1970, 2hr. 50min. (10 cwt.)

**5040 MINOR** (Single Oxford, St. Clements, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Grandsire, Plain Bob).

- 1 Roger N. Scholes
- \*2 Hazel J. Nicholls
- 3 Elizabeth M. Barber
- 4 Adrian F. Arscott
- 5 E. Guy Slater
- 6 Raymond F. Arscott (Conductor)

\*First in seven methods.

**MOREBATH, Devon, St. George.**

Wed., Aug. 5, 1970, 2hr. 31min. (8½ cwt.)

**5040 MINOR** (Single Court, Single Oxford, Plain Bob, St. Clements, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B.).

- 1 Hilary F. Watson-Walker
- \*2 Peter D. Bailey
- 3 Alec R. Jones
- 4 Elizabeth M. Barber
- 5 E. Guy Slater
- 6 Arthur E. Rowley (Conductor)

\*First in seven methods. Birthday compliment to E. Guy Slater.

**PORLOCK, Som, St. Dubricius.**

Fri., Aug. 7, 1970, 2hr. 39min. (12 cwt.)

**5040 MINOR** (Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Single Oxford, Double Oxford, St. Clements, Plain Bob).

- 1 Peter D. Bailey
- 2 Hilary F. Watson-Walker
- 3 Arthur E. Rowley
- 4 Frank Chambers
- 5 Alec R. Jones
- 6 Raymond F. Arscott (Conductor)

Golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur R. Tudball, of Dunster.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION****ELSTOW, Beds, Abbey Church of SS. Mary and Helena.**

Mon., May 18, 1970, 2hr. 34min. (9½ cwt.)

**5040 MINOR** (3 Plain Bob, 3 Single Oxford, 1 Plain Bob and Single Oxford).

- \*1 Helen Garside
- 2 Rosemary Hartley
- 3 Christine Edwards
- \*4 Stephen Cronin
- 5 Robert Wood
- 6 Alan Norman (Conductor)

\*First peal.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.****DAVENHAM, Cheshire, St. Wilfrid.**

Sat., Aug. 8, 1970, 2hr. 40min. (15 cwt.)

**5040 MINOR** (Cambridge Surprise, Single Oxford, Double Oxford, St. Clements, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob).

- \*1 Gordon K. Green
- 2 David A. Godfrey
- 3 Harry W. Howard
- 4 Geoffrey A. Edwards
- 5 John Moore
- 6 Frank R. Morton

\*50th for Guild. For the centenary of the birth of William Pye.

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION****HEANOR, Derbyshire, St. Lawrence.**

Sun., July 26, 1970, 2hr. 40min. (6 cwt.)

**5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR** (7 extents).

- \*1 Helen Wood
- †2 Martin Camm
- 3 Robert Marchbank
- 4 Dudley Coulson
- 5 David Camm
- 6 Gordon Faulks (Conductor)

\*First peal. †First inside of Minor. First on the bells by a local band since before the war. To welcome the Lord Bishop of Derby for evening service.

**OLD WHITTINGTON, Derbyshire, St. Bartholomew.****5040 MINOR** (4 methods: Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Plain Bob).

- 1 G. Jasper Newman
- 2 Susan E. Davis
- 3 Andrew Else
- 4 Andrew R. Queen
- 5 Graham A. Newman
- 6 Timothy Wylie (Conductor)

**DERBY, Cathedral Church of All Saints.**

Thur., Aug. 6, 1970, 3 hr. 7min. (19 cwt.)

**5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL** Composed by Roger Baldwin.

- 1 Harold Taylor
- 2 Susan Davis
- 3 Arthur F. Hall
- 4 Timothy Wylie
- 5 Derek A. Astridge
- 6 Brian A. Tomlinson
- 7 Gordon A. Halls (Conductor)
- 8 Rev. Fred Ross
- 9 David W. Parkin
- 10 Geoffrey Paul

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
MELDRETH, Cambs, Holy Trinity.**

Fri., July 31, 1970, 2hr. 46min. (11 cwt.)

**5022 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR** Composed by C. Middleton.

- 1 Jean Sanderson
- 2 Martin R. Kitson
- 3 Georgina C. M. Carter
- 4 Donald F. Murfet
- 5 John G. Gipson
- \*6 Michael R. Ling
- 7 Alan M. Barber
- 8 George E. Thoday (Conductor)

\*First of Surprise. Wedding compliment to Robert Barber, brother of the seventh ringer, and Anne Vandewynckele, married at Bruges, Belgium, this day.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION****FORD END, Essex, St. John.**

Sat., Aug. 1, 1970, 2hr. 41min. (4½ cwt.)

**5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR** (7 extents).

- \*1 Janet L. Wright
- 2 Eileen S. Button
- 3 A. George Button
- 4 Rachel J. R. Orman
- 5 Edward E. Davey
- 6 George N. Orman (Conductor)

\*First of Minor. A wedding compliment to Heather Linge, ringer and chorister at this church, and Peter Allen, married this day.

**BELCHAMP ST. PAUL, Essex, St. Andrew.**

Sat., Aug. 8, 1970, 2hr. 41min. (8½ cwt.)

**5040 SURPRISE MINOR** (London, Beverley, Surfleet, Norwich, Bourne, Ipswich, Cambridge).

- 1 Edward E. Davey
- 2 Georgina C. M. Carter
- 3 Jennifer M. Whittell
- 4 Neville F. Whittell
- 5 Alan R. Andrews
- 6 Alan M. Barber (Conductor)

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.****HEREFORD, St. Nicholas.**

Thur., July 30, 1970, 2hr. 30min. (9 cwt.)

**5040 MINOR** (Oxford, Double Oxford, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., St. Clements, Plain Bob and Cambridge Surprise).

- 1 Robert A. Hatcher
- 2 Lawrence Mainwaring
- 3 Frederick R. Harris
- 4 John F. I. Turney
- 5 Michael V. Powell
- 6 Marcus C. W. Sherwood (Conductor)

In memoriam Sir John Barbirolli.

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**STAUNTON-ON-WYE, Herefordshire, St. Mary.**

Thur., July 23, 1970, 2hr. 41min. (10 cwt.)  
**5040 OXFORD AND KENT T.B. MINOR**  
 (Seven combined extents.)

- \*1 Alison M. Turney
- 2 Reginald G. Powell
- 3 John F. I. Turney
- 4 Michael V. Powell
- 5 Norman R. Mattingley
- 6 Marcus C. W. Sherwood (Conductor)

\*First of Treble Bob. First of Oxford and Kent Minor combined for all.

**CLIFFORD, Herefordshire, St. Mary.**

Sun., July 26, 1970, 2hr. 55min. (12½ cwt.)  
**5376 LINCOLNSHIRE S. MAJOR**

Composed by S. Humphrey.

- \*1 Janet M. Aston
- \*2 Michael V. Powell
- †3 Ralph C. Godsall
- †4 Roy K. Williams
- §5 John F. I. Turney
- \*6 S. Barnaby Bell
- 7 Norman R. Mattingley
- 8 Marcus C. W. Sherwood (Conductor)

\*First in the method. †First of Surprise Major. ‡First of Surprise Major inside. §First in the method inside. 50th as conductor for the guild on tower bells.

**COLWALL, Herefordshire, St. James the Great.**

Sat., Aug. 1, 1970, 3hr. 5min. (11½ cwt.)  
**5040 OXFORD ROB TRIPLES**

Composed by J. Parker (No. 13).

- 1 John Clements
- 2 E. Marion Key
- \*3 James Ranford
- \*4 Leonard Walters
- \*5 E. Charles Biggs
- 6 Barnabas G. Key (Conductor)
- 7 Leslie F. Smith
- \*8 James Ward

\*First in method. Birthday compliment to Sally Ranford Wells, granddaughter of 3rd.

**BODENHAM, Herefordshire, St. Michael and All Angels.**

Sat., Aug. 1, 1970, 2hr. 37min. (12½ cwt.)  
**5040 MINOR** (20 methods: Primrose, Berwick, Hexham, Cambridge, Beverley Surfleet Surprise, Double Oxford, Thelwall, Pinehurst, St. Clements, Childwall, Buxton; St. Nicholas, Heatherslade, Gower; Rev. Canterbury; Oxford and Kent T.B.; Oxford and Plain Bob).

- 1 Reginald G. Powell
- 2 Michael V. Powell
- 3 Roy K. Williams
- 4 S. Barnaby Bell
- 5 Norman R. Mattingley
- 6 Marcus C. W. Sherwood (Conductor)

75th peal as conductor on tower bells. Most Minor methods for all.

**BRIDSTOW, Herefordshire, St. Bridget.**

Sun., Aug. 2, 1970, 2hr. 49min. (8½ cwt.)  
**5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by J. W. Parker.

- 1 Frederick R. Harris
- \*2 Peter L. Hughes
- †3 S. Barnaby Bell
- †4 Roy K. Williams
- §5 Michael V. Powell
- 6 John F. I. Turney
- 7 Norman R. Mattingley
- 8 Marcus C. W. Sherwood (Conductor)

\*First of Surprise Major inside. †First in method inside. ‡First of Major in the method. §75th for the Guild. 100th peal as conductor.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION****RICKMANSWORTH, Hertfordshire, St. Mary the Virgin.**

Sat., July 25, 1970, 2hr. 57min. (20 cwt.)  
**5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Composed by R. Baldwin.

- \*1 Anne E. Thompson
- †2 Barry R. M. Johnson
- †3 Andrew C. D. Mayes
- †4 Philip J. Simmonds
- 5 A. Ronald Ling
- 6 S. Kathleen M. Baldwin
- 7 Kenneth R. Dunstan
- 8 Christopher W. Woolley
- 9 Frank Reed
- 10 Roger Baldwin (Conductor)

\*First on ten. †50th peal. ‡First of Cambridge Royal.

**ISLEWORTH, Middlesex, All Saints.**

Wed., July 29, 1970, 2hr. 47min. (16 cwt.)  
**5000 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL**

(No. 3 version.)

Composed by R. W. Pipe.

- 1 John R. Ketteringham
- \*2 Christine M. Carter
- 3 Eric Edmondson
- \*4 Joyce M. Clarke
- 5 Kenneth J. Darvill
- 6 Peter H. Mackie
- 7 Frederick W. Ellis
- †8 Gerald Penney (Conductor)
- 9 Anthony R. Carter
- 10 Harold W. Rogers

\*First of London. †500th peal. 21st birthday compliment to Geoffrey Bridges.

**APSLEY END, Herts, St. Mary.**

Thur., July 30, 1970, 2hr. 55min. (14½ cwt.)  
**5040 SURPRISE MINOR** (7 extents, 17 methods: Netherseale, Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Bourne, Primrose, London, Wells, Cuncastre, Lightfoot, Wearmouth, York, Durham, Beverley, Surfleet, Norwich).

- 1 Brian M. Barker
- 2 C. Valerie Mills
- 3 Augustin V. Good
- \*4 Steven D. Chandler
- 5 Reginald E. J. Sheppard
- 6 Francis M. Byrne (Conductor)

\*First in more than 7 methods. In memoriam David Farrow.

**WATFORD, Herts, St. Mary.**

Tues., Aug. 4, 1970, 3hr. 15min. (24½ cwt.)  
**5057 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Composed by E. C. Shepherd.

- 1 R. David Bell
- 2 Richard G. Bell
- 3 Jill A. Laud
- 4 Raymond G. Smith
- 5 Steven Laud
- 6 Walter G. Paul
- 7 Francis M. Byrne
- 8 A. Ronald Ling
- 9 Geoffrey W. Seaman (Conductor)
- 10 Andrew C. D. Mayes

Half-muffled in memoriam Peter Gardner, life member of the congregation, church worker and secretary of the P.C.C.

**BRAUGHING, Herts, St. Mary.**

Sat., Aug. 8, 1970, 2hr. 57min. (19 cwt.)  
**5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

- 1 Peter J. Glazebrook
- 2 S. Kathleen M. Baldwin
- 3 John R. Southey
- \*4 Andrew C. D. Mayes
- \*5 Leonard Luck
- 6 Roger Baldwin
- 7 Gerald Penney
- 8 John R. Mayne (Conductor)

\*First in the method.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION****PENSHURST, Kent, St. John the Baptist.**

Sat., Aug. 1, 1970, 2hr. 45min. (17½ cwt.)  
 Composed by Charles Middleton.

- 1 Colin A. Tester
- 2 Thomas Cullingworth
- 3 Tony Lewis
- 4 Peter D. Hepburn
- 5 John W. Smith
- 6 D. Paul Smith
- 7 Simon A. B. Wigg
- 8 Peter S. Muchlinski (Conductor)

As part of the Penshurst Festival commemorating the 800th anniversary of the church.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION****HORWICH, Lancs, Holy Trinity.**

Sun., Aug. 2, 1970, 2hr. 40min. (13 cwt.)  
**5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR** (17 extents).

- \*1 Lynn Trevor
- †2 Pauline Tallis
- †3 Roy Jolley
- 4 John Illingworth
- †5 William Birmingham, jun.
- 6 James E. Andrews (Conductor)

\*First peal. †First of Minor. ‡First of Minor in the method.

**MANCHESTER, Lancs, The Cathedral.**

Sat., Aug. 8, 1970, 3hr. 21min. (27 cwt.)  
**5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Composed by A. M. Tyler.

- 1 Timothy Wylie
- 2 Eric Roughley
- 3 Susan Davis
- 4 Rev. R. D. St. John Smith
- 5 Cyril Crossthwaite (Conductor)
- 6 Michael J. Platt
- 7 Alan Ward
- \*8 Geoffrey O. Sanders
- 9 Geoffrey R. Gardner
- 10 Neil D. Lomas

\*First in the method. To welcome the Rt. Rev. Patric Campbell Rodger, M.A., as Lord Bishop of Manchester.

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD****LEICESTER, Cathedral Church of St. Martin.**

Mon., July 20, 1970, 3hr. 12min. (25 cwt.)  
 Composed by Andrew Hudson.

- 1 Peter J. Staniforth (Conductor)
- 2 Herrick B. Bowley
- 3 J. Marilyn A. Astridge
- 4 Robert B. Smith
- 5 Murray A. Coleman
- 6 Burley P. Morris
- 7 W. Arthur Riddington
- 8 Rupert A. Clarke
- 9 William J. Root
- 10 E. Alan Jacques

A welcome to Bishop Mort as Canon Chancellor of the Cathedral.

**CLAYBROOKE, Leics, St. Peter.**

Fri., Aug. 7, 1970, 3hr. 1min. (13½ cwt.)  
**5088 ALDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by H. G. Cashmore.

- 1 K. Paul Gilliver
- 2 Stephen C. Wells
- 3 Malcolm E. Johnson
- \*4 J. Edward Cawser
- 5 Colin C. Monson
- 6 Burley P. Morris
- 7 Brian L. Burrows
- 8 Robin A. Gilliver

\*100th for the guild. Wedding compliment to Christopher Holmes and Charlotte Bennett, married the previous day at Adderbury, Oxon.



**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD****ELSHAM, Lincs, All Saints.**

Mon., Aug. 3, 1970, 2hr. 45min. (7 cwt.)  
**5040 MINOR** (3 Kent T.B., 4 Plain Bob).

- 1 Ronald Chafer
- 2 Sarah Chafer
- \*3 Harry Baldwin
- †4 Colin Applewhite
- 5 Jack Bray (Conductor)
- 6 Harold Judd

\*First of Minor. †First of Minor inside.

**KIRTON-IN-LINDSEY, Lincs, St. Andrew.**

Sat., Aug. 8, 1970, 2hr. 40min. (12½ cwt.)  
**5040 MINOR** (Kent T.B., Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Bob, Oxford T.B., Double Bob, London Surprise).

- 1 John Hall
- 2 G. Leslie A. Lunn
- 3 Jack L. Millhouse (Conductor)
- 4 C. Aubrey Harrison
- 5 A. Robin Heppenstall
- 6 Michael W. Crowder

A wedding compliment to Gillian M. Feirn and James R. Salling, married this day.

**BICKER, Lincs, St. Swithun.**

Sat., Aug. 8, 1970, 2hr. 32min. (8 cwt.)

**5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

- \*1 Gary Smith (13)
- \*2 Yvonne Singleton (14)
- †3 David Fensom (15)
- 4 William B. Dawson
- 5 Michael J. Belcher (15, Conductor)
- \*6 Antony J. Singleton

\*First peal. †First inside. First as conductor. Birthday compliment to W. B. Dawson.

**LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY****SALFORD PRIORS, Warwicks, St. Matthew.**

Sat., July 25, 1970, 2hr. 49min. (15 cwt.)  
**5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Composed by John N. Longridge.

- 1 Susan D. Cowan
- 2 Pat A. Jenkins
- 3 Hazel Mackenzie
- 4 Ian Smith
- 5 Roger Shae
- 6 A. John Macefield
- 7 Geoffrey C. Sparling
- 8 Martin J. Corry (Conductor)

First as conductor for the society.

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION****BRIDGEND, Glam, St. Illtyd.**

Sat., Aug. 8, 1970, 2hr. 53min. (16 cwt.)

**5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

(Bruerton's 12-part.)

- 1 Thomas T. Yeomans
- 2 Frederick J. Bailey
- 3 Michael J. Dew
- 4 Raymond J. Mayle
- 5 Paul W. Thomas (Conductor)
- 6 William H. Harford
- 7 M. Jack Pryor
- 8 William T. Petty

First of Triples as conductor.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD****LEICESTER, Cathedral Church of St. Martin.**

Sat., Aug. 8, 1970, 3hr. 30min. (25 cwt.)

**5007 STEDMAN CINQUES**

Composed by Frank E. Darby.

- 1 David P. Hilling (Conductor)
- 2 Frederick W. Goodfellow
- \*3 Ruby M. Myllys
- 4 Richard F. Prime
- \*5 Albert R. G. Twinn
- \*6 Ronald K. Russ
- 7 Vernon Green
- 8 Alan E. Hartley
- 9 Michael J. Palmer
- 10 John Hill
- 11 John M. Jelley
- 12 William H. Coles

\*First on 12.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD****REPTON, Derbyshire, St. Wystan.**

Sat., July 25, 1970, 2hr. 52min. (17½ cwt.)

**5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

(Dexter's No. 1.)

- 1 Sheila Parsons
- 2 Gordon H. Lane
- 3 Arthur E. Rowley
- 4 Peter Marriott
- 5 Norman W. Attaway
- 6 G. Stedman Morris
- 7 Peter J. Staniforth (Conductor)
- 8 Alec R. Jones

A farewell compliment to the vicar (Rev. Peter Tomlinson), leaving for Barrow Gurney, Somerset.

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION****SAXTHORPE, Norfolk, St. Andrew.**

Sun., July 19, 1970, 2hr. 15min. (2½ cwt.)

**5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

(4 extents and a 2160.)

- 1 Thomas R. Roast
- \*2 Carole A. H. Patey
- †3 Susan B. Baker
- 4 Robert Walker
- 5 Martin Cubitt
- 6 George E. Thoday (Conductor)

\*Completes the Cambridge family. †First of Surprise. 175th of Surprise as conductor.

**CARLTON COLVILLE, Suffolk, St. Peter.**

Mon., Aug. 3, 1970, 2hr. 42min. (12½ cwt.)

**5040 DOUBLES** (3 methods: 6 extents St. Martin, 4 St. Simon, 32 Plain Bob).

- \*1 Christine P. Gorrod
- \*2 Philip J. Gorrod
- 3 Thomas J. Brock
- \*4 Michael R. Davies
- 5 H. William Barrett (Conductor)

\*First peal. Wedding compliment to Mary Solomon and Royden Watts, married on August 1.

It's only those who weep sometimes  
 Who find that life is sweet;  
 It's only tired folk whose rest  
 Is dreamless and complete:  
 And only those who give and give  
 Can claim they know how best to live.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD****SLOUGH, Bucks, St. Mary.**

Sat., Aug. 1, 1970, 2hr. 53min. (17 cwt.)  
**5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Arranged by J. R. Ketteringham.

- 1 John R. Ketteringham
- 2 William Birmingham
- 3 William Butler
- 4 David A. Cornwall
- 5 Geoffrey Bridges
- 6 Anthony R. Carter
- \*7 Keith J. Walpole (Conductor)
- 8 Peter H. Mackie
- 9 Frank Reed
- 10 Alan R. Patterson

\*First of Yorkshire Royal. 21st birthday compliment to Geoffrey Bridges.

**URCHFONTE, Wilts, St. Michael and All Angels.**

Sat., Aug. 1, 1970, 2hr. 59min. (19 cwt.)

**5088 STONEHENGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by John R. Mayne.

(Wratten No. 60.)

- 1 Peter Furniss
- 2 Alan R. Pink (Conductor)
- 3 Shirley M. Drew
- 4 Michael Hatchett
- 5 Eric Sutton
- 6 Geoffrey R. Drew
- 7 Frank W. Lewis
- 8 Geoffrey K. Dodd

First peal in the method.

**STONEHENGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

—58—16—56—1236—34—1238—14—78.  
 l.h. (2nds) 8674523. C.P.S.

**HUNGERFORD, Berkshire, St. Lawrence.**

Sat., Aug. 8, 1970, 3 hr. (13½ cwt.)

**5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

- 1 Philip Murduck
- \*2 Dianne Gazeley
- 3 Alan R. Pink (Conductor)
- 4 Walter G. Knight
- 5 William Butler
- 6 Geoffrey R. Drew
- 7 Michael Hatchett
- 8 Philip H. Tocock

\*First in the method. For the Feast of St. Lawrence.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD****DAVENTRY, Northants, Holy Cross.**

Wed., Aug. 5, 1970, 3hr. 8min. (18½ cwt.)

**5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Composed by Edgar C. Shepherd.

- 1 Barry E. Saunders
- 2 Shirley E. Ruddlesden
- 3 Malcolm J. V. Chown
- \*4 Jonathan R. B. Speed
- 5 Alan A. Paul
- 6 Barrie Hendry
- 7 Richard F. B. Speed (Conductor)
- †8 Patrick I. Chapman
- 9 Burley P. Morris
- 10 Stanley M. Ruddlesden

\*First on ten bells. †500th peal.

**BELL ROPES**  
**JOHN NICOLL**  
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**WEEKLEY, Northants, St. Mary the Virgin.**

Tues., Aug. 4, 1970, 2hr. 37min. (8 cwt.)  
**5040 MINOR** (9 methods: Beverley, Cambridge, Surfleet, Kent and Oxford, St. Clements, Plain Bob).

- 1 Selwyn J. Griffiths
- 2 Murray A. Coleman (Conductor)
- 3 Barry R. Care
- \*4 Edward C. Buckby
- 5 Alan J. Marks
- 6 Eric Billings

\*50th peal. Birthday tribute to H.M. the Queen Mother.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM****PACKWOOD, Warwicks, St. Giles.**

Sat., Aug. 1, 1970, 2hr. 36min. (6½ cwt.)

**5376 LINCOLNSHIRE S. MAJOR**  
Composed by S. Humphrey.

- 1 John N. Lindon
- \*2 Joyce J. Barton
- \*3 John G. Perry
- \*4 F. John Keddle
- 5 Roderick W. Pipe
- 6 John Turney
- 7 Maurice F. Edwards
- 8 Stephen W. Barton (Conductor)

\*First in the method.

**EDGBASTON, Birmingham, Warwicks, St. Bartholomew.**

Wed., Aug. 5, 1970, 2hr. 38min. (10 cwt.)  
**5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR** (5 methods: 1120 London, 1088 Superlative, 1024 Bristol, Cambridge and Pudsey, with 107 changes of method and all the work).  
 Composed by A. J. Pitman.

- 1 Joyce J. Barton
- 2 Stephen W. Barton
- 3 Morley P. Tobin
- 4 Arthur V. Pearson
- 5 Michael J. Fellows (Conductor)
- 6 Gerald Hemming
- 7 Maurice F. Edwards
- 8 Clifford A. Barron.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD****UPLYME, Devon, SS. Peter and Paul.**

Sat., Aug. 1, 1970, 2hr. 40min. (12 cwt.)  
**5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR** (7 extents).

- \*1 Valerie Calvert
- 2 Stuart I. Bamforth
- 3 Henry G. Keeley
- 4 Ian Calvert
- 5 Melvyn J. Hiller
- 6 Rev. R. Keeley (Conductor)

\*First peal.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS****SHOREDITCH, London, E., St. Leonard.**

Sat., July 4, 1970, 2hr. 57min. (28 cwt.)

**5056 LINCOLNSHIRE S. MAJOR**  
Composed by Roger Baldwin.

- 1 James M. Hills
- \*2 Sheila M. Dobbie
- 3 James A. D. Woolford
- \*4 Graham A. Duke
- 5 Stanley G. Ponting
- 6 Edwin A. Barnett
- 7 Derek E. Sibson (Conductor)
- 8 Dennis Beresford

\*First in the method.

**LAMBETH, LONDON, S.E., St. Mary.**

Sat., July 11, 1970, 3hr. 18min. (17 cwt.)

**5184 UXBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Composed by Stanley Jenner.

- 1 M. Louise Slater
- \*2 Sheila M. Dobbie
- \*3 Angela M. Wright
- 4 Doris E. Colgate
- 5 Michael H. D. O'Callaghan
- 6 Stanley G. Ponting
- 7 Derek E. Sibson (Conductor)
- 8 Dennis Beresford

\*First in the method.

**CUCKFIELD, Sussex, Holy Trinity.**

Mon., July 13, 1970, 2hr. 52min. (15 cwt.)

**5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Composed by Norman Smith.

- 1 Reginald V. Johnson
- 2 M. Louise Slater
- 3 Janet House
- 4 Sheila M. Dobbie
- 5 Stanley G. Ponting
- 6 Derek E. Sibson (Conductor)
- 7 Walter H. Dobbie
- 8 Tom Page

**SALEHURST, Sussex, St. Mary the Virgin.**

Sat., July 18, 1970, 3hr. 7min. (16½ cwt.)

**5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Composed by Stanley Jenner.

- 1 Peter Beresford
- \*2 Sheila M. Dobbie
- 3 Joan Beresford
- 4 Walter H. Dobbie
- 5 Edwin A. Barnett
- 6 Derek E. Sibson (Conductor)
- 7 David D. Smith
- 8 Dennis Beresford

\*100th peal.

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD  
GREASLEY, Notts, St. Mary.**

Mon., Aug. 3, 1970, 2hr. 48min. (13½ cwt.)

**5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**  
(J. J. Parker's 12-part.)

- \*1 Tony M. Ford
- 2 P. Mary Beach
- †3 Barbara Hooks
- \*4 Margaret A. Eyre
- 5 William L. Exton (Conductor)
- †6 Helen M. Simpson
- †7 Dudley Coulson
- 8 Donald J. Beach

\*First peal. †First of Grandsire Triples.

**LOUGHBOROUGH, Leics, Bell Foundry.**

Wed., Aug. 5, 1970, 2hr. 27min. (6½ cwt.)

**5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
Composed by G. Hughes.

- 1 William L. Exton
- 2 David Stainsby
- \*3 Harold Dobbin
- 4 Brian J. Bull
- 5 Melvyn A. Rose
- 6 Anthony E. Clayton
- 7 B. Stedman Payne (Conductor)
- 8 G. Ronald Edwards

\*First inside.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION****HOOE, Sussex, St. Oswald.**

Wed., Aug. 5, 1970, 2hr. 30min. (11½ cwt.)

**5040 SHIPWAYS PLACE BOB DOUBLES**  
(42 extents.)

- 1 Frederick J. Lambert
- \*2 David R. Reed
- 3 Alan R. Baldock
- 4 Thomas M. Barlow
- †5 Ian V. J. Smith (Conductor)

\*First on five. †100th peal. First in method by all and for the association. For Patronal Festival.

**FLETCHING, Sussex, SS. Andrew & Mary.**

Sat., Aug. 8, 1970, 2hr 35min. (10½ cwt.)

**5040 MINOR** (3 Cambridge Surprise, 2 each St. Clements and Plain Bob).

- \*1 Douglas P. Snoswell
- 2 Janet M. Percy
- 3 Betty Percy
- 4 Jacqueline M. Neal
- 5 Thomas M. Barlow
- 6 Stephen J. Crawley (Conductor)

\*First in more than one method. Rung after meeting short for Major.

**SUFFOLK GUILD****HOLLESLEY, Suffolk, All Saints.**

Sat., Aug. 8, 1970, 3hr. (17 cwt.)

**5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR**  
Composed by S. H. Wood.

- 1 Rev. Brian Redgers
- 2 Katharine M. Thorley
- 3 J. Martin Thorley
- 4 Rev. Lawrence R. Pizzey
- \*5 Kelvin Dakin
- 6 Robert J. Southgate
- \*7 Roy W. Lockwood
- 8 Howard W. Egglestone (Conductor)

\*First of Major. For the Flower Festival.

**TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD****LANSALLOS, Cornwall, St. Ildierna.**

Sat., Aug. 1, 1970, 2hr. 54min. (12½ cwt.)

**5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**  
(Parker's 6-part.)

- \*1 Trevor Hillman
- †2 Janet S. Evans
- 3 John F. Steere
- 4 Anthony Locke
- 5 Wilfred C. Boucher
- 6 F. Malcolm Bowers
- 7 Timothy J. Bell (Conductor)
- 8 Anthony J. Davidson

\*First peal. †First on eight inside. On the occasion of the centenary of his birth in honour of William Pye, who rang his last peal as conductor in Cornwall—London Surprise Major at St. Stephen-in-Brannel on September 22, 1934.

**ST. CLEMENT, Cornwall, St. Clement.**

Wed., Aug. 5, 1970, 2hr. 47min. (9½ cwt.)

**5040 ST. CLEMENTS COLLEGE BOB MINOR**

- 1 Anthony J. Davidson
- \*2 T. Neil Hitchens
- †3 Janet S. Evans
- 4 Timothy J. Bell (Conductor)
- 5 F. Malcolm Bowers
- 6 Alan Carveth

\*First of Minor. †First of Minor inside. First on the bells since augmentation.

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD****HIGHCLERE, Hampshire, St. Michael.**

Mon., July 6, 1970, 2hr. 27min. (11 cwt.)

**5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES**  
Composed by H. Hubbard

- 1 Michael Goss
- 2 Philip G. Taylor
- 3 Lynette M. Holbrook
- 4 Peter L. Furniss
- 5 David M. Goss
- 6 Geoffrey K. Dodd
- 7 Robert J. Crocker (Conductor)
- 8 Christopher F. T. Kendall

First of Triples as conductor. A wedding compliment to Francis Kewell and Joan Aldridge; also for the centenary of the church.



**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION****STUDLEY, Warwickshire, St. Mary.**Wed., July 29, 1970, 2hr. 40min. (11 cwt.)  
**5040 MINOR** (3 methods: Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Plain Bob).

- 1 Shirley M. Drew
- \*2 John W. Perkins
- 3 Christopher Pickford
- 4 Roger H. Hunt
- 5 Christopher Hims
- 6 Geoffrey R. Drew (Conductor)

\*First in more than one method.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION****CHAPEL ALLERTON, Yorkshire, St. Matthew.**

Sat., July 18, 1970, 2hr. 36min. (7½ cwt.)

**5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

- 1 Margaret Warford
- 2 Robert H. Jordan
- 3 Christopher J. Easton
- 4 Christopher N. Grandidge
- 5 Ronald R. Warford
- 6 C. Barrie Dove (Conductor)

On the morning of St. Matthew's garden party, Chapel Allerton.

**HOWDEN, Yorkshire, St. Peter.**

Sat., July 25, 1970, 3hr. 12min. (22 cwt.)

**5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by J. Parker.

- 1 Norman Chaddock (Conductor)
- 2 Elsie Chaddock
- 3 John J. L. Gilbert
- 4 Neil Donovan
- 5 M. Alec Beaumont
- 6 David Nichols
- 7 Stuart Armeson
- 8 John N. D. Chaddock

For the birth of a daughter to Susan Johnson (née Chaddock) and the engagement of John N. D. Chaddock and Hilary Wilson.

**NON-ASSOCIATION****KIDDERMINSTER, Wores, St. Mary and All Saints.**

Sat., July 4, 1970, 3hr. 10min. (24½ cwt.)

**5016 PLAIN BOB MAXIMUS**

Composed by J. Reeves.

- 1 Denis A. Frith (Conductor)
- 2 Gordon Land
- 3 Alec W. Ivings
- 4 Peter R. Harris
- 5 Raymond W. Balls
- 6 Arthur W. Haslop
- 7 Raymond Smith
- 8 John E. Coleman
- 9 Christopher R. Jenkins
- 10 Reginald M. Virgin
- 11 William L. Exton
- 12 Patrick H. Allen

All are British Post Office employees.

**Handbells****HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.****HEREFORD, 3 Venns Lane.**

Sun., July 26, 1970, 2hr. 36min. (11 in G.)

**5184 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Composed by M. C. W. Sherwood.

- \*†1-2 Elizabeth Wycherley
- \*3-4 Peter J. Wycherley
- \*5-6 Norman R. Mattingley
- †7-8 Marcus C. W. Sherwood (Cond.)

Umpire: John F. I. Turney.

\*First of Treble Bob in hand. †First of T.B. Major. ‡First of T.B. Major in hand and 25th peal on handbells.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION****WATFORD, Herts, 15 Harford Drive.**

Mon., Aug. 3, 1970, 3hr. 5min. (15 in C.)

**5280 CAMBRIDGE S. MAXIMUS**

Composed by T. B. Worsley.

- 1-2 S. Kathleen M. Baldwin
- 3-4 John R. Mayne (Conductor)
- 5-6 Roger Baldwin
- \*7-8 Gerald Penney
- 9-10 Julia A. Fellows
- 11-12 Frank C. Price

\*First of Cambridge Maximus on handbells.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION****GRAVESEND, Kent, 13 Meadow Road.**

Wed., July 29, 1970, 2hr. 14min. (10 in A.)

**5000 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL**

Composed by York Green.

- 1-2 Christopher T. Osenton (Cond.)
- 3-4 Peter S. Muchlinski
- 5-6 Trevor A. Cross
- 7-8 Frank J. Matthews
- 9-10 Stuart Sandford

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD****GLENFIELD, Leicester, 22 Groby Road.**

Tues., July 21, 1970, 2hr. 51min. (15 in C.)

**5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS**

Composed by Robert B. Smith.

- \*1-2 Rupert A. Clarke
- †3-4 Robert B. Smith (Conductor)
- 5-6 Peter J. Staniforth
- 7-8 Alfred Ballard
- 9-10 David F. Moore
- 11-12 John W. Bramley

\*First of Maximus on handbells. †50th of Maximus on handbells.

**GLENFIELD, Leicester, 22 Groby Road.**

Tues., Aug. 4, 1970, 2hr. 24min. (15 in C.)

**5040 SPLICED SURPRISE ROYAL** (6

methods: 1440 Rutland and Wembley, 720 Bollington, 480 Cambridge, Lincolnshire and Yorkshire, 119 changes of method).

Composed by Robert B. Smith.

- \*1-2 David F. Moore
- 3-4 Robert B. Smith (Conductor)
- †5-6 John M. Jelley
- 7-8 J. David Atkinson
- 9-10 Gerald Moorhouse

\*First of Spliced Surprise on handbells.

†First of Spliced Surprise Royal in six methods on handbells. First of Surprise Royal in six methods on handbells for the guild.

**NORTH AMERICAN GUILD****HAMILTON, Ontario, Canada, McMaster University.**

Thur., July 16, 1970, 2hr. 15min. (12 in F.)

**5120 KENT AND OXFORD T.B. MAJOR**

Composed by C. Severn.

- 1-2 David R. Ingram
- 3-4 Derek M. Sawyer
- 5-6 William H. Jackson
- 7-8 John Owen (Conductor)

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION****OSSETT, Yorkshire, 33 Kingsway Avenue.**

Wed., Aug. 5, 1970, 1hr. 32min. (13 in E.)

**5040 MINOR** (11 methods: Barnsley, Fel-

kirk, South Kirkby, Kent, College Exercise, Norbury, Duke of Norfolk, Sandal, King-

ston, London Scholars, Oxford).

1-2 Margaret White

3-4 Patricia North

5-6 Ian North (Conductor)

To welcome the birth of a daughter, Julia

Rachel, to Robert and Gail Cater.

**OSSETT, Yorkshire, 33 Kingsway Avenue.**

Sun., July 26, 1970, 1hr. 32min. (13 in E.)

**5040 MINOR** (7 methods: Duke of Nor-

folk, Norbury, College Exercise, Sandal, Kingston, London Scholars and Oxford).

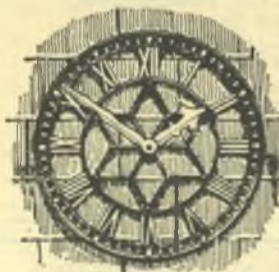
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**OUTING****WENTWORTH, YORKSHIRE**

Wentworth ringers were joined by friends from Bradfield and Wortley for a tour, by cars, into North-West Lincolnshire. Although not met by any local ringers, the tour proved of much use, especially to the learners in the party. The towers visited were at Haxey (a heavy six in a large church), Owston Ferry (a pleasant six from the ground-floor of a beautifully decorated church near the River Trent), Epworth (eight well-toned bells and a church with outward-leaning interior pillars) and Belton (a well-kept ringing chamber). A parish fete was in progress when the party arrived and was still carrying on when the ringing finished! Altogether a pleasant July 11!!

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## Editorial

## ALL—OR NONE

ABOUT ten days ago the Editor received a letter which expressed the writer's extreme displeasure because a report of a day's outing had been "mutilated" and part used as a separate item in the Gossip columns. The letter concluded: "I do, however, ask that, in future, reports are published in entirety or that you should let me know what alterations you propose—you could then return the cheque that I invariably send, so that I could make what I consider appropriate alterations to that."

Now although we feel certain that our correspondent, who is a ringer and guild officer, held in high esteem by his fellows, did not intend to "blackmail" the Editor, it is necessary, we are convinced, to make clear to all contributors the position regarding reports, articles and letters sent to The Ringing World office.

A donation sent with any item for publication (other than an advertisement) does not carry an automatic right to publication in full, in part or even at all if, in the Editor's opinion, such item is not suitable, although every endeavour is made to give fair and impartial treatment to everything received.

We believe the majority of ringers sending contributions do so to support the production of the ringers' paper, without which the Exercise, as such, could not continue to flourish. We also believe that these contributions indicate that something of interest is found and enjoyed each week somewhere within the columns of The Ringing World.

The Editor, therefore, will not be bribed, blackmailed or coerced into printing reports and items "in their entirety," however large the donation, unless the particular item is to be printed as an advertisement, when it will appear in the appropriate section.

To produce a paper which embraces every part of the ringing Exercise is the aim of the R.W. Committee, and the Editor's job is to ensure that the reader gets a balanced and interesting weekly journal. We ask all our contributors to bear with us and to be patient, and if they feel that to cut their particular contribution would, in their opinion, be detrimental to its contents, it should be headed "ALL—OR NONE," when it would receive the appropriate treatment.

We hope all readers will continue to send contributions, large and small, to help in the difficult task of keeping the accounts out of the red, particularly in these days of rising costs, and to try to understand the difficulty of cramming 28 pages of news into a 20-page paper.

The ring of bells at Georgeham, North Devon, have been overhauled and a quantity of steel angle which had deteriorated through lack of painting has been replaced. In addition, the bells at Somerton, Som, are being augmented to eight and the two trebles are expected to be installed by the end of August. Both these jobs are being carried out by Mr. A. Fidler, of Bow, Devon.

## Belfry Gossip

We are delighted to hear that George Symonds (95 last July 11) and Charles Sedgley are in "pretty good health."

Ringers from Middlesex called at Holsworthy during a tour of the West Country, according to a report in The Western Times of August 14.

Commenting on the good reporting of the handbell rally a few weeks ago, a correspondent suggests that name or initials should be added, so that an assessment of the comments could be made.

The Editor acknowledges receipt of Annual Reports from the Middlesex County Association and the Worcestershire and Districts Association.

New Method this week is Stonehenge Surprise Major at Urchfont, Wilts, conducted by A. R. Pink. First-time Conductor: Michael J. Belcher (15).

If any ringer visiting Weston-super-Mare left a cardigan in the tower, please contact M. Legg at Drove Farm, Locking, Weston-super-Mare.

A quarter peal on handbells was rung by members of S.U.G.C.R. aboard narrow boat "Grebe" in Husbands Bosworth tunnel. They believe this is the first quarter rung in a canal tunnel.

Personal Records: Barry R. M. Johnson (50 peals), Gerald Penney (500), Patrick I. Chapman (500), Edward C. Buckby (50), Sheila M. Dobbie (100), Ivan V. J. Smith (100), Edward J. Chivers (250).

First-peal congratulations to Helen Gar-side, Valerie Calvert, Tony Ford, Margaret Eyre, Trevor Hillman, Gary Smith (13), Yvonne Singleton (14), Antony J. Singleton, Christine P. Garrod, Philip J. Garrod, Michael R. Davies, Lynn Trevor.

The Western Times announced on August 14 that Mr. W. G. Craddock, a keen member of the Holsworthy, Devon, band, had died. Mr. Craddock learned to ring when he was police-sergeant at Holsworthy, and helped to raise funds for restoration work in 1949.

"The Postmaster is very sorry this packet has been accidentally delayed in the post." This was attached to a letter received on August 17 and post-marked Maidenhead, July 26. Fortunately it did not contain advertisement copy, but six handbell peals and five compositions.

Conducting his father's composition of Cambridge Royal, Mr. Ernest Pye was disappointed that young Ernest (grandson) was unable to stand in at the last moment. The peal was for the centenary of William Pye's birth.

We hear that Peter D. Sell, currently living at Albrighton, Salop, has met with a motor accident and is in Kidderminster Hospital suffering from a broken arm and leg. We hope he will be back ringing soon.

The girls of Simon Langton's Grammar School for Girls in Canterbury have always been able to raise a team among themselves to ring some, if not all, the bells for their annual commemoration service at the Cathedral.

You can help our office accountant, Mr. Charles Lucas, by sending your renewal subscription in promptly when the expiry date is reached. The sending of reminders is expensive as well as time absorbing, and we understand that 70 such reminders were sent out recently.

Martyn Hawkes, of Swindon Village, Cheltenham, sends a new Delight Minor method rung at Tirley, Glos, on July 8. A 720 of Tirley Delight Minor was accomplished by F. Lawrence 1, H. N. Evans 2, B. Spiers 3, J. Clements 4, D. Price (cond.) 5, M. Hawkes 6. —34—16—12—1236—14—36. i.e. 12: 142563.

If "Quasimodo" will forward his name and address to the Editor his letter regarding The Ringing Isle will be published.

Calling all Christophers.—Anyone with this Christian name who would like to attempt a Christopher peal is asked to write to C. D. Corby at 58 Cambridge Street, St. Neots, Huntingdon, PE19 1PJ.

We learn three of the unringable five at Colkirk, Norfolk, have been scrapped, the treble and tenor remaining for chiming. Likewise the eight at Holy Trinity, Burnley, have been scrapped, the treble being kept for tolling, and the eight at St. Hilda's, Middlesbrough, have also been removed with a possibility of breaking up.

Has anyone a record of a peal rung at St. Nicholas', Harwich, between 1948 and 1951 in which a Mr. A. Gow took part (method not known). Please write to the Editor of any details.

If Messrs. W. P. Collins, Castell, Jones, Gascoyne, Miss Bown and Stephen Gregory will re-apply to Mr. N. Chadcock, he can now supply them with the record which they wished to purchase.

Share Our Cotswold Village is the title of a well-printed and attractively-designed folder which was distributed around Great Witcombe advertising a rural display with flowers and bellringing in aid of Witcombe Church Fabric Fund.

Further letters about the Lundy Church and bells have been received from Mr. D. Hughes (of Liss, Hants), Mr. M. F. Walldrop (Winchester), Mr. W. Simmonds (Torquay) and Deborah Bishop (London). The Editor is grateful for their interesting letters.

A Warning from Ireland.—"It has been frightening to visit towers and see ringers, usually new recruits, sitting around the room with crossed legs, one foot swinging within a foot or two of a moving bell rope."—Edmund G. White to Irish Bell News.

In December, 1948, Eckington (Worcs) bells were rehung and augmented to eight, the two new bells being given by Mr. F. R. Perks in memory of his parents. It is very fitting that Mr. Perks should have rung in the first peal on one of these bells, Bob Triples, on August 6, especially as the peal was a wedding compliment to him and his wife.

Four of the young ringers from St. Mary de Lode, Gloucester, with two Barnwood assistants, recently rang two hours' of sponsored call changes which realised £32 towards the interior decoration of their tower. Boring, but lucrative, and a fine effort. (Also excellent practice for striking!—Editor.)



## DIAMOND WEDDING

On August 2, 1910, the five bells of the little church of All Saints', Coddington, Notts, rang out for the wedding of Mr. Sam Simpson and Miss Edith Walster. They were rung on that occasion by five of the bride's brothers. On August 2, 1970, there were six bells (a treble was added in 1965) to ring a diamond wedding compliment—a well-struck quarter in five Doubles methods.

Afterwards the band (four locals and two "guests") had the pleasure of joining Mr. and Mrs. Simpson for a piece of cake and a glass of sherry.

Mr. and Mrs. Simpson, who live just across the road from the church, are both regular members of the congregation at All Saints' and love the sound of the bells. They open their door on Friday practice night to hear them better. Mr. Simpson was a keen ringer in his younger days, being a member of the band at Cotgrave before moving to Coddington.

D. E. K.

## Nottingham University Society.

## CAMPING TOUR

The Nottingham University Society's summer tour took the form of a week's camping in Worcestershire and Oxfordshire, and 17 towers and three midnight hikes were enjoyed.

On the first evening we visited Hinton-on-the-Green, and the following morning we rang at two towers, Mickleton, where we had to weave our way through a mountain of flowers to reach the belfry, and Moreton-in-the-Marsh. The afternoon was spent in exploring the charming village of Bourton-on-the-Water, where we rang before going on to Winchcombe.

On the first midnight hike we visited another tower, at Broadway (with no bells), at the top of the hill above our camp site, which in daylight commands a view of 13 counties. In the morning we visited Childswyckham, where we rang, and in the afternoon after walking across fields we came to Buckland, where our ringing had to be cut short. In the evening we revisited Broadway tower and rang on handbells.

On Sunday we rang for the service at Badsey and then went on to ring at the old church at Broadway, which was beautifully decorated for a flower festival. The afternoon was spent at Evesham and later we rang on the beautiful 12.

We moved to a new camp site on Monday at Henley-on-Thames and attended a ringing practice at High Wycombe.

## CLAPPER FELL OUT

On Tuesday we rang at Henley where, during the raise, the clapper fell out of the sixth! Nevertheless, a touch of Bob Minor was rung with the tenor covering, and we went on to Checkendon (a pleasant eight). In the afternoon we rang at Brightwell Baldwin and on to Watlington, where we took turns to ring the difficult tenor.

Our midnight hike was somewhat shorter, for it was after the 21st birthday celebrations of one of our company. We visited two towers on Wednesday—Woolburn and Cookham—and then went rowing on the Thames, which is far harder work than ringing! Our last hike took place that night, the tour ending the following day.

Our thanks to Eleanor and Martin (who arranged the tour), to Roz, Peter, Phil and Ferret, who provided the transport, and to the incumbents, many of whom personally welcomed us.

M. H. M.

## APPENDIX F

The following will bring up to date the Central Council Collection of Surprise Methods as far as the end of 1969.

## 1. NUMERICALLY ORDERED TABLE

- 1F. Taunton
- 2F. Osbournby
- 3F. Alexandria
- 4F. Mattishall
- 5F. Fairford
- 6F. Rushden
- 7F. Tuffley
- 8F. Bedwardine
- 9F. Pershore
- 10F. Dereham
- 11F. Falcott
- 12F. Buckland
- 13F. Hunger Hill
- 14F. Elmore
- 15F. Lathkill
- 16F. Jonah
- 17F. Papanui
- 18F. Aswarby
- 19F. Wareham
- 20F. Bromyard
- 21F. Wellingborough
- 22F. Higham Ferrers
- 23F. Worthington
- 24F. Ingoldmells
- 25F. Xystus
- 26F. Daisy Hill
- 27F. Covingham
- 28F. Spilsby
- 29F. Xerxes
- 30F. Artaxerxes
- 31F. Omega
- 32F. Xennapod
- 33F. Thatcham
- 34F. Pinxton
- 35F. Florence
- 36F. Ixworth
- 37F. Little Bushey
- 38F. Mr. Rusty
- 39F. Glevum
- 40F. Wilby
- 41F. Jura
- 42F. Glamorgan
- 43F. Tattershall
- 44F. Ypres
- 45F. Barnwood
- 46F. Harwell
- 47F. Quethock
- 48F. Bisley
- 49F. Chalfont
- 50F. Nempnett Thruwell
- 51F. Dorcan
- 52F. Treales
- 53F. Clent
- 54F. Medway
- 55F. Festinlog
- 56F. Ullswater
- 57F. Caversham
- 58F. Lewisham
- 59F. Nene
- 60F. Hollywood
- 61F. Drighlington
- 62F. Byron
- 63F. Sonning
- 64F. Tendring
- 65F. Dalston

- 66F. Gayton
- 67F. Thirston
- 68F. Kedleston
- 69F. Ewerby
- 70F. New Gainsborough
- 71F. Isleworth
- 72F. Wallesbourne
- 73F. Bollington
- 74F. Warfield

## A. SURPRISE MAJOR METHODS

- (e) 34.58.14—58—36—14—58—14—1.
- (b) 36—1456—58—16—12—58—16—5.
- (b) 36—1456—58—36—14—38—12—3.
- (b) 36—1456—58—36—14—58—36—5.
- (a) 36—16—58—36—12—38.14—14.7.
- (b) 38—14—12—1238—12—1258—16—7.
- (b) 38—14—12—1238—14—38—12—7.
- (b) 38—14—12—1238—14—38—1256—7.
- (b) 38—14—12—1238—14—38—56—7.
- (b) 38—14—12—16—34—1458—16—5.
- (d) 38—14—12—38—14—58.14—14.5.
- (mx) 38—14—12—38—34—38—36—1.
- (f) 38—14—1256—1238—14—38—1256—3.
- (b) 38—14—1258—16—14—1238.56.12.56.7.
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- (b) 38—14—56—16—14—38—36—1.
- (f) 38—14—56—36—34—1258—14—5.
- (f) 38—14—56—36—34—3458—14—5.
- (c) 38—14—56—38—12—38—12—1.
- (b) 38—14—58—1236—34—1238—16—7.
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- (e) 38—14—58—36.14—14.38.16—16.5.
- (b) 38—14—58.12.36—12—38—16.34.7.
- (f) 38—1456—12—36—12—58—14—5.
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- (c) 38—1456—56—36—14—58—12—1.
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- (b) 38—1456—58—16—14—58—1236—5.
- (f) 38—1458—12—36—14—38—34—1.
- (f) 56—14—56—1238—14—58—14—5.
- (b) 56.34.16.58—58.16—34—58—12—1.
- (f) 58—14—56—16—14—58.14—14.5.
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- (f) 58—1456—12—36.14—14.58.14—14.5.
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## B. SURPRISE ROYAL METHODS

- (b) 30—14—12—30—14—30—14—50—38—9.
- (f) 30—14—56—36.14—14.50—14—50.14—14.5.
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### ENGAGEMENTS

**CHAMBERLAIN—MOORE.**—Jonathan ex-St. Albans and Lichfield, and Kay, ex-Little Aston, Staffs, announce their engagement from Malawi, Africa. 9474

**KING—BLATHERWICK.**—The engagement is announced between Andrew Louis Bruce, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. M. King, of Kexgill, Crakehall, Bedale, Yorkshire, and Sandra Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Blatherwick, of Birkin Avenue, Ruddington, Nottingham. 9506

### FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES

**GADD—BEALE.**—The wedding of Miss Frances M. Gadd and Mr. Keith E. Beale will take place on Saturday, September 5th, at Holy Trinity Church, Ash Priors, at 11 a.m. Future address will be Cinques Cottage, 11 Sampford Brett, Williton, Somerset. No telephone at home but Taunton 7636 Office unchanged. 9416

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

**ANDREW BECKWITH**, of Ipswich, is now at The Society of St. Francis, The Friary, Hilfield, Dorchester, Dorset. 9471

**TOMSETT.**—On and from September 1 the new address of Rev. and Mrs. James Tomsett will be The Vicarage, Compton Bishop, Axbridge, Somerset. Telephone: Axbridge 286. The institution and induction is on Monday, Sept. 14, at 7 p.m. 9470

**WILLIAMS.**—The address of Frazer and Ann is now 1 St. Chad's Terrace, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. Telephone: Shrewsbury 51130. 9494

**WOOLFORD.**—Jim, Jean and family have now moved to 16 Marshalls Way, Wheathampstead, Hertfordshire. Telephone number: Harpenden 61365. 9475

**WYCHERLEY.**—Michael, Elaine and James have now moved to 73 Braithwaite House, Bunhill Row, London, E.C.1. No telephone. 9508

### PERSONAL

"Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw, when thou shalt say I have no pleasure in them."—Ecclesiastes xi, 10.

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**EXETER COLLEGES GUILD** welcomes all students coming up in September. Practice, St. Mark's, Exeter (on A38), Thurs., 6.30–8 p.m. Contact Maureen Gardner, Haldon, Birks (University), John Anderson (St. Luke's), Stephen Dando (Rolle), for more information. 9486

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Branch.—Would members interested in going on the proposed outing to Loughborough on Sat., Sept. 26, please contact the secretary.—N.C. 9514

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Branch.—Until further notice the branch general/Surprise 8/10-bell practice will be held at Beccles on the third Wednesday of each month.—N.C. 9515

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—There will be no ringing at Putney from today until 8.45 a.m., September 13, thence as usual.—M. J. Uphill, captain, 14 Charlwood Road, S.W.15. 9504

### EVENING MEETINGS AND PRACTICES

**DURHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY OF CHANGE-RINGERS.**—The first practice of Michaelmas Term will be held at St. Brandon's, Brancepeth, on Thursday, October 8. First-years will be especially welcome. For further details contact Gwen Bidgood, 10, Heol Cattwg, Whitchurch, Cardiff, CF4 1JQ. 9429

**EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—Evening meeting, Friday, August 28, at Hever (6). Bells 7–9 p.m. Names to C. A. Bassett, 3 Pendrill Place, Wadhurst, Sussex, for outing—and please support the Croydon Festival on Sept. 12. 9436

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.W. District.—Evening meeting, Romford, Sept. 12. Ringing 6–8 p.m. September's weekday practice at Waltham Abbey, 30th. 9513

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chertsey District.—Practice meeting at Egham, Sept. 5th, 6.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. Sausage supper after. Notification to ensure food supplies to Mrs. D. Parsons, 8 The Retreat, Englefield Green, Egham, Surrey, by Sept. 2nd. 9411

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Witney and Woodstock Branch.—Branch practice, Eynsham (6), Wed., Sept. 2.—E. Venn, Branch Sec. 9491

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leicester District.—Evening meeting, Sept. 5, Gilmorton, ringing only. Bells 6–8.30 p.m. Everyone very welcome.—Ron Hughes. 9382

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—S. and W. District.—Evening practice, St. Mary's, Staines, Fri., Aug. 28, 7.45–9.15 p.m. Surprise Royal practice, Hillingdon, Mon., Sept. 14, 8–9.30 p.m.—C. H. R. 9502

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—District practice, St. Peter's, Curdridge, Mon., Sept. 7, 7.30 till 9 p.m. Methods: Stedman Triples and Plain Bob Major. 9389

### AFTERNOON MEETINGS

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Wisbech District.—Meeting, Hilgay, August 29th. Bells (8) 3. Service 4.30, followed by tea. Everyone welcome.—D. A. Feak, Dis. Sec. 9451

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—Meeting, Holkham, Sat., Aug. 29. Bells (6) 2 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Please bring own tea. Wells (8) available after business meeting.—D. S. Parry, Dis. Sec. 9430

**SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.**—Meeting, Sat., Aug. 29th. Asfordby (6), 3.20–4.45. Melton Mowbray (10), 6–8.30. Own tea arrangements. Those requiring transport or with transport available from Nottingham contact D. Stainsby (Nottingham 233508). 9449

**GUILDFORD GUILD** (Leatherhead District) and **SURREY ASSOCIATION** (Northern District).—Joint meeting at Leatherhead on August 31st. Ringing 15.00. Service 16.30. Further ringing after tea. Names for tea to Mrs. J. Robinson, 32, Gatesden Road, Fetcham, Leatherhead, Surrey (Tel.: Leatherhead 4333), please.—J. A. L. 9423

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Ilchester Branch.—Quarterly meeting, St. Mary's, Stoke-sub-Hamdon (6, 17 cwt.), Sept. 5. Bells 5 p.m. Service 6. Meeting 6.30. Bells 7–9 p.m.—Mrs. M. M. Legget, West Coker 208. 9412

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—Meeting, Sat., Sept. 5, Wilden (5), 3.30–5 p.m. Keysoe (5) from 6 p.m. Please make own arrangements for tea.—C. M. Payne. 9473

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Striking competition at Harbury on Sat., Sept. 5th. Teams will be notified of the times they are to ring in the afternoon. Tea 5 p.m. and service after tea. Further ringing after the service (6.30, approx.). Names for tea by Sept. 2nd, please.—H. M. Windsor, 5, Park Lane, Harbury, near Leamington Spa (Harbury 504). (Further copies of the entry form can be obtained from the secretary.) 9364

**CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—Monthly meeting, Sat., Sept. 5, Irton (8) (near Holmrook). Bells available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5. All names for tea to Miss I. Grahill, 2 Mountain View, Irton.—D. T. Sim, Sec. 9487

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ilkeston District.—Meeting, Ashover, Derbys (8), Sat., Sept. 5, 3.30 p.m. Picnic tea. Ringing in the evening until 8 p.m. 9484

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.**—Ringing meeting and A.G.M., St. George's, Jesmond, Newcastle, Sat., Sept. 5, 3.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss S. Robson, 15 Albemarle Avenue, High West Jesmond, Newcastle, NE2 3NQ. 8488

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bridgnorth Branch.—Meeting, Cleobury Mortimer, Sept. 5. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. Osbaldiston, Kinder, Plinkam Lane, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster, Worcs, by Sept. 3. 9507

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—Meeting, Woodchurch, Sat., Sept. 5. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea only for those who notify Mr. H. Wilkinson, 81 Front Road, Woodchurch, near Ashford, Kent, by Thurs., Sept. 3.—A. P. S. B. 9500

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—By-meeting, Sat., Sept. 5, Meopham (note change of venue). Bells 3.15 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. R. Pellett, 32 Brattle, Woodchurch.—D. P. L. 9485

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—Monthly meeting, Sat., Sept. 5. Ringing at Hindley (8) 3–5 p.m. Special method: Bristol. Own tea arrangements. Evening ringing, Coppull (6), 7.30–9 p.m., mainly for beginners. All very welcome.—C. D'Aeth, Hon. Sec. 9511

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—West Lindsey Branch.—Meeting, Haxey, Sat., Sept. 5. Bells (6) afternoon and evening. Names for tea by previous Tuesday.—Geo. L. A. Lunn, Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. Tel.: 2623. 9489

**LINCOLN GUILD.**—North Lindsey Branch.—Meeting, Burton-on-Stather, Saturday, Sept. 5th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. for those notifying Mr. P. Barnes, "Britannia", Tee Lane, Burton-on-Stather, Scunthorpe, by Tuesday, Sept. 1st. 9477

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Eastern Branch.—Meeting at Alford on Saturday, Sept. 5th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. Business meeting afterwards. Names for tea to Mr. J. I. Smith, 14 Commercial Road, Alford, by Sept. 1st.—R. Reynolds (Mrs.), Hon. Sec. 9391

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Baston on Sat., Sept. 5. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. C. Broughton, 119 Main Street, Baston, near Peterborough, by Mon., August 31st.—F. G. Vickers, Hon. Sec. 9434

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—Meeting, Sat., Sept. 5, Bratton. Ringing commences 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Miss W. Skinner, 11 Court Orchard, Bratton, near Westbury, Wilts. 9304

**SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Meeting, Whitley, Sat., Sept. 5. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names, please, to Mr. J. H. Mann, Plot 12, Main Street, Kirk Hammerton, York.—L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec. 9482

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—Practice meeting, Warnham (8), Sat., Sept. 5. Bells 3–8.30 p.m. Picnic tea.—Jean Osbon, Div. Sec. 9468



**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.**—Christchurch and Southampton District.—Quarterly meeting, Ringwood, Sat., Sept. 5. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. In Old Hall, Ringwood. Sopley bells available in evening. Names for tea to Mrs. Collins, 82 Northfield Road, Ringwood, BH24 1ST, by previous Wednesday, please.—Gillian Davis, Dis. Sec. 9512

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION** (Cambridge District) and **HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (Northern District).—Joint meeting, Sept. 12, Guilden Morden, 3–4.30. Service, tea, short business meeting for Cambridge District members; evening ringing, Littleton. Tadlow (3) also available 3–3.45.—J. S. 9432

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South Eastern District.—Meeting at Goldhanger, Sat., Sept. 12. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. All welcome.—R. J. H., Dis. Sec. 9483

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Llandaff Branch.—Quarterly ringing meeting, Porthkerry, Sat., Sept. 12. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea, very short business meeting and further ringing. All ringers and friends welcome.—Iolo Davies, Branch Hon. Sec., The Grammar School, Cowbridge. 9374

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—Meeting, Sat., Sept. 12, Almondsbury. Bells (8) 3–5 p.m. and after meeting. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. B. Sullivan, 11 Rowley Drive, Lepton, Huddersfield, by Tues., Sept. 8.—A. B. Sullivan, Branch Sec. 9505

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—First annual county striking competition, St. George's Church, Gravesend, Sat., Sept. 19. Draw for order of ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea tickets 4s. each, obtainable from Miss L. Seton, 1 Ashwood Place, High Street, Bean, Dartford. Remittance and s.a.e. with order, please.—A. P. S. B. 9499

**ST. NICOLAS, NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE**  
**DEDICATION OF A PLAQUE**  
In memory of  
Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Francis,  
will take place during Matins (11.15 a.m.)  
on Sunday, August 30.  
Ringing from 10.45 a.m. 9466

**ST. DENY'S CHURCH**  
**STANFORD-IN-THE-VALE, BERKSHIRE**  
**OPEN DAY**  
Monday, August 31st, 1970  
From 2 to 6 p.m.  
Bells (8), formerly of St. Peter-in-the-East,  
Oxford, and now rededicated.  
All visitors and parties welcome. 9462

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST'S,**  
**FINCHINGFIELD, ESSEX.**  
**FLOWER FESTIVAL**  
August 29th, 30th and 31st.  
Evensong, Sunday, 30th, 6.30 p.m., with  
Handbells and Instrumental Music.  
Ringing 2–5 p.m. daily.  
ALL WELCOME. 9453

**BARNESLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY**  
**SEPTEMBER MEETING AND**  
**CONTEST AT HOYLANDSWAINE**  
on September 5th, 1970.  
All bands welcome.  
Entrance fee 6s., payable on the day.  
Names for tea week previous to:  
Mrs. Townsend, School House, Hoylandswaine.  
—T. Tarbatt. 9447

**SUFFOLK GUILD**  
Presentation and dedication of  
Master's Badge of Office  
**GREAT THURLOW**

Saturday, September 19  
Ringing 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m.  
Names for tea to Ven. K. O. Child, Gt. Thurlow  
Vicarage, Haverhill, by September 16. 9478

**ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, CHIDDINGSTONE, KENT.**

**FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS**

September 11, 12 and 13, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.  
Bells available to individual ringers or parties  
Saturday and Sunday.  
Parties contact: P. R. Everest, 2 The Village,  
Chiddingstone. 9438

**ST. MARGARET'S, DRAYTON, NORFOLK.**  
**VILLAGE FESTIVAL**

September 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Flower Festival of Five Seasons in Church.

Thursday, 3rd:

Opening service. Ringing 6 p.m. for 6.45 p.m.  
Friday, 4th:

Open ringing, 7.30 to 8.30 p.m., followed by  
cheese and wine party in Village Hall (tickets  
7s. 6d.).

Saturday, 5th:

Exhibitions, demonstrations, film show, carnival  
procession.

Open ringing, 6 to 7 p.m., followed by tune  
ringing by Norton Subcourse handbell band,  
7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Sunday, 6th:

Service ringing, 9.30 for 10.30 a.m. and for  
the Festival of Five Candles, 5.30 for 6.30 p.m.  
All are welcome. 9479

**MAYFIELD CHURCH**  
**FLOWER FESTIVAL**

August 28, 29, 30 and 31  
Viewing from 10.30 a.m. to 9.30 p.m.

**COFFEE AND TEAS SERVED**

Catering for parties by arrangement with Catering Committee,  
c/o Vicarage, Mayfield, Ashbourne, Derbys.

Bells available at intervals from 3 p.m. on Aug. 29 and 31.  
Prior notice of complete bands appreciated to above address.

9497

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**  
(Southern Branch)  
**BRANCH STRIKING COMPETITION**

The branch striking competition will be held at  
**SPROTBOROUGH**  
on Saturday, September 12.

The draw will take place at 14.30 on that day  
at Sprotborough. Will all conductors of teams  
intending to enter please send **NAMES OF**  
**TEAMS** to A. C. Banton, 194 Gleadless Common,  
Sheffield, S12 2US, by Sat., Sept. 5. This  
is essential in order to complete all arrange-  
ments. **NAMES FOR TEA (OTHER THAN**  
**THOSE RINGING IN TEAMS)** should be sent to  
Mr. E. Short, Kathlyn, 310 Melton Road, Sprot-  
borough, Doncaster, by Wed., Sept. 9, at the  
latest.—A. C. Banton, Branch Sec. 9490

**ADVANCE NOTICE**  
**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**  
**EARLSHEATON BELLS**

The last public ringing of these eight bells,  
prior to the demolition of the church, will take  
place at a special Leeds and District Branch  
meeting, to be held on the afternoon of Satur-  
day, October 3. More details later.—R. Cater,  
Branch Sec. 9476

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up to September 12

Alan P. S. Berry, Hon. Gen. Sec., 7 Church  
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**FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS AND BELLS**

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August 28th-31st.

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Everyone welcome. Light refreshments.

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**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS CHANGE RINGING ASSOCIATION  
RINGING FESTIVAL**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 29th, 1970**

**EXPO BELFRY**

Three Counties Show Ground, Blackmore Road, Malvern.

12 noon-6 p.m.

Spare tickets (1s. each) available to anyone at entrance.

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Hallow

12.30-2.0

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1.15-2.45

Shrawley

2.0-3.30

Ombersley

2.45-4.15

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3.30-5.0

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4.15-5.45

Claines

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(3.15-4.30)

6.30-8.0

Powick; Leigh; Malvern Link; Malvern Priory

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**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD  
SUMMER FESTIVAL**

at

Castor, near Peterborough

on

Saturday, September 5th, 1970.

Service 4 p.m. Tea in Village Hall 5 p.m.

Tea tickets (3/6 each and children 10 years

or under 2/- each and c.w.o.) to be obtained by

Saturday, August 29th, from Mr. R. H. Daw, 97,

Fane Road, Peterborough.

Details of ringing arrangements (24 towers)

will be sent to all those applying for tea tickets.

Ringing stewards will be in attendance at all

towers.—E. Billings, General Secretary.

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gratitude the following donations towards the  
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**LATE NOTICES**

**FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE**

**DORRINGTON — MOORBY.**—The wedding of  
Richard and Bryony will take place at All Saints,  
Kingston upon Thames, on Sat., Sept. 5, 1970,  
at 3 p.m.

9518

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

**MOXON.**—Chris and Christine now live at 2  
Kirkfield Close, Cawthorne, Barnsley. Telephone:  
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**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ely District.  
—Evening meeting, Longstanton, Sat., Sept. 5.  
Bells (8) 6.30-8.30 p.m.

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**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Central Branch.  
—Meeting, Ruskington, Sat., Sept. 12. Bells  
(6) from 2.30. Service at 4.15, followed by tea  
and meeting. Ewerby bells (10) available from  
7.30 in evening. Names for tea to G. R. Parker,  
56 Sudbrooke Lane, Nettleham, Lincoln, by  
Wednesday previous.—G. R. P.

9530

**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—  
Monthly meeting, Conisbrough (8), 3.30-5 p.m.,  
and Doncaster (8), 6.30-8.30 p.m., Sat., Sept.  
5. Own arrangements for tea.—R. Fletcher,  
Hon. Sec.

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**SOUTHAMPTON UNIVERSITY.**—Anybody re-  
quiring details of our activities this coming year  
please contact me, Phillip Butler, at Hill House,  
18 Heathfield Road, Keston, Kent, BR2 6BQ.  
All welcome.

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**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Central District.—Car tour,  
Sept. 5, Badwell Ash, 3-3.45 p.m.; Gt. Ashfield,  
4-4.45; Rickinghall, 6-6.45; Redgrave, 7 p.m.

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**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—South East District.—  
Quarterly meeting, Holbrook (6), Sept. 12, 2.30-  
4.30, followed by service, tea and meeting. All  
names for tea to Mrs. Bertha Hardman, Swa-  
lows, Ipswich Road, Tattingstone, Ipswich, not  
later than Wed., Sept. 9. No names, no tea.  
Hoping for Stutton bells in the evening.—W. L.,  
Dis. Sec.

9520

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Western  
Branch.—Practice meeting will be held at Leigh  
on Sat., Sept. 5. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service  
4.30, followed by tea at the Vicarage (if wet,  
tea will be in the Village Hall). Powick (6)  
available from 7 p.m. Names for tea, please, to  
Mr. C. E. Brooks, Brooklands, Coles Green,  
Leigh Sinton, Worcester, not later than Wed.,  
Sept. 2.—J. J. Stanier, Branch Sec.

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**PRELIMINARY NOTICE  
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE  
RINGERS**

**SNOWDON DINNER**

Saturday, October 31, 1970

Arcadian Hall, Barnsley.

Book the date. Further details shortly.

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**GOLDEN WEDDING**

**MR. and MRS. ARTHUR R. TUDBALL**

Tuesday, August 11, 1970, marked the  
golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur  
Tudball, Dunster, Som. Arthur has been a  
member of the Dunster band for 55 years,  
for many of which he was tower captain.  
He was secretary for a number of years of  
the Dunster Deanery Branch and he is a  
life member of the Bath and Wells Asso-  
ciation, and has always shown infinite  
patience in instructing learners. Not a pro-  
lific peal ringer, he would probably be  
proudest of the peal of Stedman Triples at  
Dunster in 1950 by an entirely local band.  
He is of the second generation of a family  
of ringers at Dunster and the tradition is  
now carried on by a third and fourth.

Outside of ringing Arthur is a skilled  
sign-writer and peal boards decorating a  
number of local towers are evidence of this.  
He has been secretary of the local court of  
the Ancient Order of Foresters for many  
years and has served the parish church in  
numerous ways.

Mrs. Tudball does not ring but has  
served the village community in more ways  
than could be listed. Any local function  
has seen her giving assistance in some way  
or another.

Mr. and Mrs. Tudball are the type who  
make the backbone for village life. They  
have always given generously of their time  
and energy. Long may they continue to  
grace the village with their presence.



**25 YEARS AGO**

Taken from *The Ringing World* for August 24, 1945.

The Dean of St. Albans banned a civic service and victory peals at the Abbey as a sign of disapproval of the use of the atomic bomb.

A long letter was printed from Alan R. Pink on the ringing position—towers, ringers, etc.—in Australia.

Mr. Ernest Morris wrote about the splitting up of the Midland Counties Association and of the future membership of the paid-up members.

Edwin Barnett, at Crayford, Kent, rang the second to Stedman Triples, his 500th peal.

Four first peals were scored (Grandsire Triples) at Dunster by Nolan Dibble, George Maidment, John Tudball and Ernest Payne, whilst Arthur Tudball rang his first inside.

The leading article wrote about the six long years of war which ceased this week—of the problems of the future, but also of the strength and interest in the Exercise.

Two peals of Double Norwich by the same band—on the same day—one at Brenchley, Kent, and the other at Marden, Kent.

John R. Mayne rang his first peal (Cambridge Major) on the 2nd at Ufford, Suffolk.

At Grayshott, Hants, Harold A. May and Raymond A. Clist both rang their first peal of Major, whilst at Burnham, Bucks, Ronald C. Noon rang his first peal of Triples.

**50 YEARS AGO**

August 27, 1920.

Encouraging young conductors was the editorial comment which criticised the attitude adopted in some towers, where a bob caller in a tower was determined to maintain his position to the exclusion of all others.

Ten handbell peals, nine conducted by A. H. Pulling and one by R. Richardson, were rung during a holiday in Surfleet, Lincs. Six were of Plain Bob and four of Grandsire, and the places included a rowing boat on the river, the fuselage of an aircraft, a cornfield, a bulb shed and a cricket field. (Walter Eyre rang in eight of the peals.)

A peal of Stedman Triples at Erdington was rung to celebrate the 21st wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. Preston.

Grandsire Triples at Hillingdon was conducted by William Welling after meeting short for Stedman.

Messrs. Gillett and Johnston had the work in hand for recasting the 13 bells at London's Royal Exchange.

Under a heading "Three Peals in 190 Years," a report stated that at Ellesmere, Salop, a peal in 1730 contained a ringer named Langford, whilst in 1894 R. D. Langford, sen., rang, the conductor being R. T. Holding. Again, in 1920, R. D. Langford, jun., took part with R. T. Holding also ringing.

At Hemingbrough, Selby, Yorks, a board was unveiled recording all the peals rung on the bells—six peals in all. A local ringer, Mr. William A. Hudson, carried out the work and presented it.

Hoylandswaine, Yorks, where Barnsley Association held a meeting is near, yet seemed to escape the dust and smoke of the mines which surround Barnsley.

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