

October 9, 1970

THE RINGING WORLD

OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF
THE CENTRAL COUNCIL
OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS

Registered at the G.P.O. for
transmission as a newspaper.

Vol. LXVI No. 3102

One Shilling (weekly)

**St. John the
Baptist,
Egham,
Surrey**



Cover Picture

St. John the Baptist, Egham, Surrey

Travelling from London along the great South West Road, the first relief from the flatness of the Metropolitan area comes as one crosses the Thames via the new Staines Bypass bridge. Stretching out to the right across the Medes is Cooper's Hill, capped by the R.A.F. Memorial and flanked by the acre of American soil given by the British people for the inspiration of John F. Kennedy. This sweep of green trees and meadows, with the Thames winding away in the foreground, is complemented by the view to the left of the town of Egham, nestling around its church. At night, when both the R.A.F. Memorial and the church tower are floodlit, the effect is equally striking. Not that the stranger would necessarily recognise the tower as that of a church, for it is one of the first of a small group, most of them built in London at the end of the Georgian period, and was in fact completed in 1820. It replaced a building dating from 1327, the porch of which now stands alone at the entrance to the churchyard, inscribed with a plate "John Wesley preached here in 1744." Prior to 1327 a Norman church, built early in the 12th century, must have been the first associated with the great event of June 15, 1215, and thus known as the Magna Carta or Runnemede Church.

Without doubt Archbishop Langton led the barons to this very spot to say prayers for success in their efforts to persuade King John to share his power. This resulted in the historic document which is recognised as the foundation of democracy world-wide. Replicas of the coats-of-arms of the 25 Surety barons chosen to defend the Great Charter are mounted around the gallery front of the present church, having been presented by their descendants.

The architectural style of the church is something quite different from our ancient Norman and Gothic churches and from the many churches built by the Victorians later. This is designed in what is called the Classical style and depends entirely upon straight lines and the minimum of ornamentation to achieve its looks. As you stand at the west end of the church and try to appreciate its design, note the vast unsupported ceiling, the fine sweep of the gallery front and the uninterrupted view of the shallow sanctuary (there is no chancel in this type of church). You are beholding a real "period piece."

LAST RECORDED DUEL

Dr. J. S. B. Monsell, vicar 1853-70, was a famous hymn writer, whose best known hymns include "I hunger and I thirst," "O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness" and "Fight the good fight." By a coincidence the last recorded duel ever held in England was on Cooper's Hill and the victim is buried in Egham Churchyard. From the parish records it is apparent that the size of the tower was dictated by finances, as the architect, Henry Rhodes, wanted it to be large enough to accommodate eight bells (presumably on one level), but as this would have cost £500 and there was only £300 left, a compromise was reached. It is interesting to note that the financing of this part of the building was from the sale of "the catacombs under the church at 30 guineas each," and although this may sound expensive for the period the records go on to say that "each one was capable of holding up to 14 bodies."

APPEAL

Will you please help us to add two new bells to those already ringing out over Runnemede, thus doing our part in our 150th anniversary year to maintain the heritage handed down to us.

Thousands of visitors come each year to see the river and memorials there. Let us remind them of the Lord's presence. As David put it, "Praise Him with sounding cymbals."

Donations, which will be acknowledged and recorded, to MRS. J. KNOWLES, 46 SIMONS WALK, ENGLEFIELD GREEN, SURREY.—N. Issberner, Vicar.

As there is a replica of Magna Carta in the ringing room it could be claimed that Egham boasts the oldest set of ringers' rules in the country, but a set which is less generalised appears in the parish records of 1820:—

Regulations for keeping better Order and Decorum in Ringing and Chiming the Bells at Egham Church

1st. That a list of the Names be kept in the Belfry of those Persons who attend for Practice on Monday and Thursday Nights.

2nd. That three of the Ringers shall attend alternately on Sundays or any other Day appointed for Public Worship to assist the Sexton on Chiming, or be refused admittance into the Belfry.

3rd. That the Sexton do not admit any Persons into the Belfry whose names are not in the list of ringers.

4th. The tolling of the Bell for Public Worship to commence at half-past 10 in the Morning and half-past 2 in the Afternoon and continue 10 minutes; the chiming to be continued steadily for a Quarter of an Hour, and the last Bell tolled till the Clergyman is in the reading desk.

5th. That the Sexton do sweep out the Belfry and passage to it, every Friday Morning before 9 o'clock and clean down the Stone Staircase leading to the Belfry or be fined 2 Shillings.

6th. The Ringers not complying with these Rules shall not be entitled to any Remuneration from the Parish and be refused the use of the Belfry on any particular occasion and the Sexton suspended from his situation.

7th. The Person appointed to the care of the Church to see these Rules carried into effect and make his report thereon to the Churchwardens and the Committee.

Of the bells themselves, the church guide claims that three were pre-Reformation. However, numbers 2 to 7 are inscribed T. Mears fecit 1819. These six did service until 1912, when Gillett and Johnston recast them, added a new treble and tenor and tuned them all on the five-tone Simpson principle. They were rehung in a massive H frame on two tiers with Nos. 2, 5 and 6 above.

Apart from 5 and 8, all swing in an E.-W. direction, but this is probably due to space limitation rather than stress consideration. They are equipped with short wooden stays operating against small metal slider blocks running on curved rails. Under the bells is a clock room, where wooden guides are used to produce a good "circle" in the belfry from the positions necessitated by the two-tier hanging.

THE RINGING WORLD

The Official Journal of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers

(Founded by J. S. Goldsmith, who remained its proprietor and editor until his death in 1942.)

All communications for publication to:—

The Editor, "The Ringing World",
c/o Seven Corners Press, Ltd., Guildford,
Surrey. Tel. Guildford 60916.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

	1 copy	2 copies	3 copies	4 copies
3 months	17/6	—	—	—
6 months	£1/12/6	£3/3/0	£4/10/0	£6/0/0
12 months	£3/0/0	£5/14/0	£8/10/0	£10/10/0

Each additional copy over four, £1/17/6.

Overseas £3 5s., Air Mail £6, per annum.

Remittances to C. W. Lucas, "The Ringing World",
c/o Seven Corners Press, Onslow Street, Guildford.

Central Council of Church Bell Ringers

Hon. Secretary and Treasurer: Vernon Bottomley,
45, Westercroft Lane, Northowram, Halifax, Yorks.
Hon. Librarian: Frederick Sharpe, Derwen, Launton,
Bicester, Oxon.

"THE RINGING WORLD" COMMITTEE:

W. G. Wilson (convener), 42, Willow Grove,
Ruislip Manor, Middlesex.
R. S. Anderson. R. F. B. Speed,
D. Bayles. Mrs. Jill Staniforth.

Editor: C. W. DENYER.

The bells swing mainly in the louvred portion of the tower so that the sound beats down in the immediate neighbourhood. Attempts have been made to alter this by the use of building board lined with a kapok made of seaweed, but this has not proved durable and the seaweed has attracted thousands of flies which hibernate there. It is now proposed to build a wall of lightweight building blocks behind the louvres up to frame top height. The remaining space will be baffled to throw the sound upward, with a remote control system for complete closure for practice.

The Chertsey District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild, in which Egham is one of the 15 towers with rings of bells, has ten eights, four sixes and a five. Thus for the majority to ring on a higher number than their own they have to go outside the district. In an effort to avoid this and to cater particularly for the present needs of their own band, the Egham ringers are working to augment their bells to ten. The band has a membership of 20 with currently another eight at the nearby Royal Holloway and Shoreditch Colleges. Their efforts so far have been mainly in the collection of paper, but other events are to follow. The amount to be raised is about £1,500, of which some £150 has already been given by local ringers.

PEAL RINGING

There have been 48 peals on the bells to date. Of particular note is that no local ringer had rung a peal before 1927, when W. A. Peck (who is still a member of the band), H. Worsfold and E. Burley rang in Parker's One-part Grandsire Triples to welcome back the vicar from a trip to Australia.

Prior to this, on April 13, 1914, William Pye and his band chose Egham for Bristol, when they rang four Surprise methods in the one day (London at Chertsey, Cambridge at St. Peter's, Staines, and Superlative at Old Windsor).

The first peal was seven methods Minor in October, 1901, and was the only one on

(Continued on page 807)

Kent County Association Dinner

A NATIONAL ASSOCIATION?

MR. FRANK E. DARBY LOOKS AHEAD

"Why is it we have so many different Associations when we could be one? . . . The chief advantage, as I see it, is that there would be no more friction over overlapping territories, no serious rivalries, which have occurred from time to time in different places. . . . The peal ringer, travelling over the country, would pay one subscription. . . . I am not trying to sell you this idea tonight . . . but to say what I think might happen in the future. We are very jealous of our titles—our Diocesan Guilds and County Associations—and rightly so. We would have to adopt a title, one that has been spoken of over the years: a National Association."

The speaker was Mr. Frank E. Darby, vice-president of the Surrey Association, who was proposing a toast to the Kent County Association at their annual dinner, which was held at the Queen's Head Hotel, Maidstone, on September 26. Between 130-140 attended, and presiding was Mr. E. A. Barnett, chairman of the Association, accompanied by Mrs. Olive Barnett. Others seated at the principal table were Canon C. C. Tufton (Vicar of All Saints, Maidstone), Rev. J. E. Robinson (Vicar of St. Nicholas, Leeds), Mr. Alan Berry (general secretary, K.C.A.) and Mrs. Anne Berry, Mr. C. A. Tester (secretary, Maidstone District) and Mrs. Olive Tester, Mr. A. Waddington (captain, St. James, Egerton) and Mrs. Waddington, Mr. F. E. Darby and Mrs. Darby, Mr. B. May and Mrs. May, and Mr. C. W. Denyer (Editor, Ringing World).

REMINISCENCES

Mr. Darby, who started ringing 50 years ago, continued by reminiscing on the happy times he had spent in the Kent County, mentioning the Barnett family, the Groombridges, senior and junior, and Mr. Phillip Corby. The Kent County Association, during its 90 years of existence, had achieved greatness and was in the forefront of the Exercise. It had lived in harmony with its neighbours, showing understanding and respect for them and had in consequence a peaceful life.

Mentioning many names of officers and leaders in the Association, Mr. Darby concluded: "While your membership embraces people such as these the Kent County Association cannot fail to prosper."

The toast was drunk with enthusiasm.

Responding, Mr. Alan Berry said that one of the difficulties of a general secretary was that it is hard to know whether or not the association is making any progress—it is a sure thing that we either move forwards or backwards; there is no standing still. There are many ways in which progress could be made: stronger finances, more peals, better peals, more members, less unringable towers, better meetings, more activities. He went on: "Our peal record fluctuates from year to year, but we are definitely ahead this year compared with last year's total. The number of towers where restoration work is in hand or definitely anticipated is considerable. The registration of our Bells Restoration Fund as a charity has enabled the Association to reap the benefits of investment and, with other plans in mind, in future years it may be possible to make grants much higher than at present. Our membership last year showed a slight drop in numbers—was this because of the increase in subscription? District meetings seem on the whole to be well attended, although of course there is always room for improvement. We are indeed grateful," concluded the speaker, "for all the assistance that we receive from our clergy, and it is a pity when many of them leave us."



Some of those who attended the dinner, photographed by the R.W. outside the Queen's Head Hotel. L. to r.: David Parks, Charles Sinden, Rosemary Ellis, Alan Berry, Alison Levick, Anne Berry, Graham Terris, Stuart Taylor and Stephen Garner.

"INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS"

Mr. A. Waddington, in proposing the toast of "The Church," said: "We are frequently reminded of the need for both church fellowship and Christian stewardship. I think on the whole our members can claim to enhance both."

As regards "Time, Talents and Money," which was the threefold call today, he instanced (1) the ringing for services, teaching and belfry maintenance; (2) the value of an experienced ringer joining a struggling band and the efforts required to keep a band together when once formed; (3) the belfry repair funds, which needed continued and increasing support. He mentioned a sponsored peal which raised £80.

"We inevitably come round to what might be called our 'industrial relations' with the clergy," went on the speaker. "In Kent we are fortunate in having not only ringing parsons but, with very few exceptions, a fine spread of 'ringable' parsons."

"Where there is an active regular band there is usually active co-operation from the vicar. It is a two-way partnership. Mostly the clergy are very tolerant of the ringers' greatest failing and nowadays seldom admonish us when we slink away during the 5-minute bell."

"The incumbent is the one who stands in a difficult position between ringing and the suffering public. In many towers with noisy bells complaints are justified. One good line of defence for the incumbent is to ask the complainant to help pay for the necessary measures of sound control—these need not be very expensive."

"In conclusion, let us honour the Church of the past for leaving us the grand heritage of our towers, people like Canon Helmore, who laid the foundations of our Association and the present clergy up and down the country, without whose support and encouragement we should not persist."

TAUGHT BY DAN COOPER

Canon Tufton, in his reply, said he did not have many qualifications to speak as a bellringer. He did start once at Beddington, under that excellent teacher and fine ringer Mr. Dan Cooper, and it was a sad day when he died at such an early age. The speaker then gave details of some of his researches into bells and bellringing. He expressed appreciation to the bellringers for what they are and what they do, and he admired the tremendous family spirit amongst them all.

The health of "The Guests and Visitors" was drunk on the call of Mr. Colin Tester, who welcomed Canon Tufton, Rev. J. E. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Waddington, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Darby, the Editor of The Ringing World (who received certain criticisms, including some from leading K.C.A. members), Mrs. Mitchell (who had travelled from Brighton) and three other octogenarians — Messrs. Lewis Head, Fred Macey and Edwin Barnett.

Mr. Tester called on the members of the Kent County Association to drink a bumper toast to the many guests and visitors, which was cheerfully done.

A MAN OF MANY PARTS

The response, given by Rev. J. E. Robinson, was apt and highly amusing and at times the laughter drowned the following comments of the speaker. The Vicar of Leeds is obviously a man of many parts and a popular choice as an after-dinner speaker—especially for bellringers' dinners.

For the speeches the chairman introduced each speaker, and with anecdote and personal data often it seemed at the expense of the person proposing the toast; but all through the evening the programme flowed easily and happily along. There was never a dull moment. During a break there was a musical interlude given by Rosemary Ellis and Hilary Hinde, who received gifts from the chairman in appreciation for their part in the entertainment. A raffle, in aid of the Restoration Fund for the James Barham tomb in Leeds Parish Church, was drawn by the editor of the R.W., three prizes being awarded.

The proceedings continued with a full social round, everyone joining wholeheartedly in the happy spirit which abounded throughout the whole evening.

Keep your eyes wide open before marriage and half shut after.

Benjamin Franklin.

Obituary

MR. ARTHUR DREW

Captain and vergier at All Saints Church, Lindfield, Sussex, for 40 years, Mr. Arthur Drew died recently at the advanced age of 87. He was well known among Sussex ringers and had played an active part in the life of the church in his own area.

The bells were rung half-muffled for the funeral, which was attended by many of his ringing friends.

MR. W. A. ROUSE

William A. Rouse, who was aged 68, died suddenly at Great Holland, Essex, on September 3.

Bill was well known and liked both at St. Michael's, Kirby-le-Soken, and at All Saints', Great Holland, where he was a regular ringer until a serious illness five years ago prevented him from taking part. In the last few years he was made a life member.

Bill was interred at Great Holland, close to the tower, on September 9, and the bells were half-muffled for Sunday ringing morning and evening prior to the funeral date and were rung half-muffled after the interment.

G. H. I.

LAST OF THE DAYS

The last member of the family of Fred Day, of the firm of Geo. Day and Sons, Eye, Suffolk, bell hangers, died from cancer in hospital on September 2, aged 73. She was the youngest, Dorothy, who lived with her husband, Mr. Penson, a retired schoolmaster, at Low Eaves, Manor Road, Barton-le-Cley, Bedford.

Mrs. Penson was a teacher at Stradbroke School, Suffolk, during the First World War and was also a church organist. She was cremated at Luton on September 9.

Her sister, Ella Kate Day (a spinster, also a retired school teacher), died at Eye on December 4, 1968, aged 84.

Her brother, Hubert Joseph Day, passed away at Eye on August 9, 1952, aged 63. He was the last member of the firm to do any tower work and he had done but very little in that field for a number of years. His widow continued to live in Eye, at Bell Cottage.

C. R.

EDWIN CHARLES EADES

Charlton Adam, in Somerset, lost one of its most faithful and respected parishioners with the death of Ted Eades (aged 70) on September 12, and this loss will be felt by all who knew him.

Ted became a choirboy at Charlton Adam when he was seven, and except for a brief spell in the Army and when living in the nearby village of Kingweston he was always in the choir stalls. For the past 16 years he was churchwarden.

He was a "regular" in the belfry at Charlton Mackrell for nearly 50 years and helped many "strugglers" over the "stile," and for a number of years was captain, taking over from his brother, Percy. About two years ago Ted and his wife worked very hard and raised money for a new set of ropes for the bells.

His health began to fail about 12 months ago and he was unable to attend any ringing activities, and in the tower he was greatly missed.

On the day of the funeral his colleagues rang a half-muffled quarter peal of Stedman. Grandsire and Bob Doubles (his favourite methods) to say farewell to captain "Ted."



At the K.C.A. dinner on Sept. 26 a presentation of a cheque was made to Mr. B. W. May, who had served the Association as an officer for many years, latterly as hon. treasurer. Mrs. May received a bouquet. In the R.W. photo are (l. to r.) Mr. May, Mrs. May, Mrs. O. Barnett, Mr. E. A. Barnett, Mrs. O. Tester and Mr. C. Tester.

BELLS, RINGERS AND THE CHURCH

Speaking at a ringers' dinner last year, the Lord Bishop of Derby, the Rt. Rev. G. F. Allen, said that without doubt bells were the most effective external witness the Church had ever had, for, in the words of the poet, their sounds went into all lands, speaking in many different ways.

Although to many people bells and bell-ringing were relics of the time when there were very few clocks and watches, the Bishop assured the company that their message was just as relevant today to this modern world, with wars and racial tension, as it was over 100 years ago when Tennyson wrote of bells ringing for the common love of good.

Bells are an external witness of the Church's work and remind someone, somewhere, of God. Very often people ask whether the expense of bells can be justified as they are only a luxury nowadays, but if that argument is used, so is the choir, organ, vestments and whatever else you care to consider.

Ringers should be proud of their calling and service to the Church and, in turn, the Church and clergy should be proud of their ringers and give them the encouragement required to carry out this service with dedication and enthusiasm.

A. C. C.

BELFRY SCREEN DEDICATED

During the bellringers' service at All Saints' Church, Chilvers Coton, Nuneaton, on September 13, a glass belfry screen was dedicated by the vicar, Rev. M. W. Mansbridge. It was the gift of Miss May Vivien Godderidge and her sister, Miss Phyllis Godderidge, both former parishioners and bellringers who died last year, and was designed by Mr. Alan Wood, a member of the local band and a professional architect.

Following the dedication, rounds and queens were rung on a set of 12 handbells, donated to the church by Mr. F. V. Nash. The ringers, all members of the Coton band, were Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Beamish, G. A. Bell, J. Draycott, L. Trevor and J. Evans. Tunes were also rung on a set of 24 handbells by three Coton members, augmented by three from Allesley. The preacher at the service was Rev. Martin Clarke, curate of St. Mary's, Atherstone, the most northerly of the Coventry diocesan towers. Mr. Clarke joined in the ringing of the ten tower bells after the service. Miss Vivien Godderidge was well known in Folkestone ringing circles for a number of years, having taken a teaching post there in 1927.

A philosopher may despise riches; but I'll bet his wife doesn't.

—Anonymous.



CHURCH CLOCKS

NEW CLOCKS : ALL TYPES OF REPAIRS
ELECTRIC CONVERSION OF WEIGHT CLOCKS

As at St. Paul's Cathedral, Norwich Cathedral, Durham Cathedral, Bath Abbey, Southwell Minster, Sherborne Abbey, St. Mary Redcliffe Bristol, Bungay, Baldock, Barmouth, Trowell, Knaresborough, King's Lynn St. Margaret's and Higham Ferrers Churches, and over 300 other public clocks all over the British Isles.

Specialists in Clock Hammer Work in
connection with Bell Restorations :

Dial Restoration

Maintenance

SMITH : DERBY

JOHN SMITH & SONS, Queen St. Derby
Phone 45569

POTTS : LEEDS

WILLIAM POTTS & SONS, Bankfield Terrace, Leeds 4
(the original Leeds firm, Manager R. H. Dove)
Phone 52757

JOYCE : Whitchurch

J. B. JOYCE & CO., Station Road, Whitchurch,
Salop Phone 2817

Editorial

ONE YEAR GONE

"Congratulations on completing your first year of office (as Editor) so successfully. I hope you can carry on for many more as happily, for the sake of the 'comic' and the Exercise."

Last week a regular correspondent (of the younger generation) put this footnote to a letter, having realised that it was a year ago that a new (and inexperienced) editor was taking over the "hot seat." It was also mentioned recently at the K.C.A. dinner when, in welcoming the editor, it was pointed out that he was not considered "new" any longer.

But what has been achieved during these 12 months? The first three were spent "sticking on stamps," examining files, getting to know the ropes and planning the new look R.W., which burst forth on January 9. This edition caused considerable comment, much being favourable, a percentage definitely "anti," but the majority accepting "with reservations."

Periodic amendments and further improvements to layout were made, and even now suggestions—some practical, some impossible—still arrive. ALL are considered.

The biggest obstacle to many of the ideas put forward is cost. What the Editor would like is another eight pages a week so that more technical and historical articles could appear, with more illustrations. A comment made by a discriminating and very respected lady (who is both peal ringer and guild officer) was: "I can't wade through all that solid small type—but I just love the chatty bits, the letters and the pictures," which is something of a guide.

In starting on the second year the Editor once more asks for tolerance and a special effort by every reader to help increase the weekly sales to 7,000 copies. This would ensure that the cost per copy would remain as now during 1971. The ever-increasing cost of paper, labour and postage is a continual anxiety, and only by the help of all ringers and readers can this spectre be laid once and, we hope, for all.

Heard in a London belfry.

"How do you spell 'canons' — the sort on the top of the bells? One 'n' or two?"

"You mean, do you spell them like a big gun or do you spell them like more exalted members of the clergy?"

"Yes."

"It must be the one 'n'—all the clergy I know are as crooked as the loops on top of a bell!"

WEDDING

One of the Great Mongeham, Kent, bell-ringers, Gillian Hawkins, was married on September 12 to Robin Wilson at the parish church of St. Martin, Great Mongeham. The bells were rung before and after the ceremony, and to mark the occasion a date touch was rung during the same evening.

Our picture shows the bride ringing after her own wedding. Robin and Gillian's future home will be in Leighton Buzzard, Beds.

Belfry Gossip

A new ring of six will shortly be installed by John Taylor and Co. at Arnold, Nottingham. Taylor's have also completed the rehanging of the bells at Dulverton, Somerset.

It is very much regretted that Mr. Fred Greedy, of Newport, Mon., son of the late Mr. Charles Greedy, was rushed into the Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport, after being taken ill on September 21. Fred has been a loyal ringer at the Cathedral for many years and all wish him a speedy recovery.

The peal rung at Headcorn, Kent, and recorded on page 798 was forwarded by Mr. G. W. Grant (secretary), who said he was very pleased with the performance of his pupils. It was the first "local" effort since before 1928. A picture of Mr. Grant (and others) appeared on page 732 and at 75 he had hoped to take part in the peal but decided three hours might be too much. He did not want to let the others down and so Roger Sutehall (Egerton) stood in as a substitute.

The East Anglia Daily Times reported a wedding at Hoxne, Suffolk, where a recording of bells was used before and after the wedding. Mr. Claude Rush, of Felixstowe, sent us the cutting and adds: "Hoxne, pronounced HOXEN, is where King Edmund, of East Anglia, was tied to a tree and killed by arrows, eventually being buried at Bury St. Edmunds. This was 1,100 years ago. Hoxne Church tower is a fine one, containing five bells, tenor about 10 cwt. No ringing has taken place for years—the bells are not ringable. Villagers must have been taken by surprise by the recording, especially if it was part of a peal of Caters or Maximus!"



Personal records: Tony Skilton (50 peals), Margaret L. Ellwood (50).

New conductors this week include Nigel C. Sheppard (15) and Peter J. Devrell.

First peal congratulations to Elizabeth A. Hutton, Fred Richardson, Pat Hurworth, Richard A. M. Newman, Jane Churchill (13), David Taylor (15), Nigel C. Sheppard (15), Ronald Millidine, Bernard V. Thurman, Peggy E. Jennings, Jonathan Franklin.

The peal of Stedman Caters at Derby Cathedral, recorded last week, was for the wedding of Mr. John Stennitt, who has been a member of the band for 20 years. It was also the first by an "all-Cathedral" company since 1964.

If any guild or district secretary (or master) would like half-a-dozen copies of the R.W. (recent issues) for distribution among their members at meetings, in the hope of possible regular subscription, we will gladly send them free on request.

Last year a suggestion was made for the formation of a ringing association for the legal profession. Mr. Paul Boucher, of Stockport, who followed up the enquiry, has heard nothing further about the suggestion and wonders if the possibility of such an association is still contemplated.

The handbell peal of Plain Bob Royal printed on page 780, for the N. American Guild at Washington, is a duplication. It had already been recorded on page 700.

Mr. Ernest W. Rowe, who has been in business in High Street, Sidmouth, has now "sold up" and the premises closed. All will wish him a pleasant and happy retirement.

We understand that our suggestion of a Yale type lock on doors, etc., in churches for additional safety is not a good one as they are "useless for security." A 5-lever mortised deadlock would be better for doors 2 in. thick or cylinder deadlock for others.

Spending about five months at 8/2 Coniston Place, Colombo 7, Ceylon, is Mr. J. R. A. Muller, lately of Maidenhead, and he wonders if there are any other expatriate ringers in Ceylon.

The band at Wentworth, Yorks. was re-constituted in September, 1968, and has now rung the first quarter of Minor with all "locals".

Because of pressure of work the tenor man who was to have covered in a quarter at Stithians, Cornwall, arrived after the start. Nevertheless the band included his 6d. rope donation to the R.W. (Gratefully acknowledged!—Ed.)

At Sproughton, Suffolk, three quarter peals were rung during a festival of flowers and music combined with harvest thanksgiving and a display of bygones during September 12-13.

A very good picture in the local newspaper of Mr. and Mrs. George Swift, of Chalfont St. Peter, Bucks, ringing handbells, with a detailed report of their hobby, has reached us. It tells how, through bell-ringing, George met his wife, Mary, and of the continuity of ringing of father to son.

Another cutting, from The Stratford Express, sent by Mrs. Winifred Riddy, of Constantine, Cornwall, shows 54-years-old Mr. John McPhale "playing" four bells at All Saints Church, West Ham. He is seen chiming, with a rope on each foot and one in each hand, which he pulls whilst sitting in a chair. His grandfather and he used to chime eight between them.

Letters

APPRECIATION

Dear Sir, — I would like, through the pages of *The Ringing World* to place on record my sincere thanks and appreciation to the Truro Diocesan Guild.

I have just spent ten months working in South-West Cornwall and from the time I first met the ringers in this area they were most friendly and helpful. I was made to feel welcome straight away in all the towers which I visited. At no time can I remember hearing a cross word or a loss of temper.

This environment plus the warmth and friendliness of the ringers made my time in Cornwall the most pleasant I can remember since I started ringing.

It would not be fair to mention any names as the praise belongs to everyone. With letters being published these days from people "condemning" or having a "slanging" match, it will be a change to make known the kindness of the Cornish folk and say "Thank you, Truro ringers, for making me feel so much at home." — Yours faithfully,

T. E. HOWARTH,
Midshipman, R.N.

Portland, Dorset.

OUT OF SYMPATHY?

Dear Sir,—Under Belfry Gossip in Sept. 18 issue of the R.W. the subject of donations received with peal reports in proportion to quarter peal reports is again raised. This comparison, as usual, reveals that the majority of donations originate from quarter peals. The question I would ask you, sir, is on what grounds you consider it should be otherwise? Peals, in order to be accepted by the C.C., have to be published in its journal. Is it not, therefore, unreasonable to expect ringers to defray the publishing costs imposed by a rule which many are out of sympathy with? The financial millstone which the R.W. finds around its neck is originated by the C.C. and it therefore follows that the C.C. should be the body to overcome the problem.

The following are two possible ways in which this problem could be resolved. (1) The C.C. to impose affiliation fees on member guilds/associations to cover publishing costs; or (2) abolish the publication of peals except perhaps where the performance is of particular merit. Peal bands wishing to publish their activities could then utilise the facilities of the notice pages.

Doubtless readers will have other probably better ideas, which I hope will be forthcoming.—Yours faithfully,

MIKE FISHWICK.

Littleborough, Lancs.

BELL OATHS

Dear Sir,—Your paragraph regarding the bell from Beach Park made interesting reading. In a book I have been reading recently, by Paul E. Peery, he refers to the custom of swearing oaths on bells, bearing in mind their ancient sacred associations. He states that as late as 1832 a justice in County Clare required a bell oath to be sworn on the Beach Park bell. At that time, apparently, thieves were so afraid of being brought face to face with this bell they would confess and return the goods rather than swear the oath! It is a pity modern thieves do not have the same respect for our playthings!—Yours faithfully,

COLIN GILLINGHAM.

Braintree, Essex.

THE PRESENT POSITION

Dear Sir,—On page 496 of *The Ringing World* there appeared an account of Mr. G. D. Armitage's week-end of ringing. This was of particular interest to members of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association as it mentioned a quarter peal rung at St. Oswald's, Durham. These bells are listed in our current report as unringable, and I therefore made enquiries about what had changed to permit this quarter peal.

From Mr. Armitage's account I quote three paragraphs which seem most relevant:

"The tower at St. Oswald's received some attention a few years ago so I got the architect to agree that the tower was not unsafe for ringing. He expressed doubts about the frame, however. I told him that we had already had a trial ring five weeks previously, on the vicar's authority. At that ring I had Mr. R. H. Dove inspect the frame WHILE THE BELLS WERE BEING RUNG, and he, like myself, felt that although the frame was not in an ideal condition it was not unsafe. As you perhaps know, Mr. Dove used to be a belfry inspector for Gillett and Johnston and then for Taylor's.

"Now that the local populace has been reminded what full circle ringing sounds like, as opposed to chiming, there has been much favourable comment, and it is hoped the local interest thus aroused will lead to a complete overhaul and rehang—which is what the bells need to put them in an ideal condition.

TETTENHALL BELLS

Dear Sir,—Charles Lynam, in "The Church Bells of the County of Stafford (1889)" gives the diameter of the 1804 bell at St. Mary, Wolverhampton, as 33 in. The back four at Codsall are given as 29½, 31½, 34 and 39 in. The bell at St. Jude, Wolverhampton, is given as 30 in. If the information given by Lynam, H. E. Green and the anonymous author on page 610 is all correct then Tettenhall gave away the second and fourth of their five—and still had four bells left to make a reasonable ring when added to the old bell at Codsall! This seems to me fairly good evidence against Mr. Green's theory of the origin of Codsall bells.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN E. DAVID.

Peterborough.

LONDON ROYAL

Dear Sir,—I am sorry if the text of my article on the Surrey Association was in any way misleading. The error pointed out by Mr. Nash regarding the first peal of Spliced Surprise Royal is regretted, though I would add that the inclusion of London and Bristol in the later peal at Beddington would appear more meritorious. The note on London Royal, however, was intended to read (as was in fact written down) that the Beddington peal was the first in the version universally rung today. The note in belfry gossip to the effect that the first peal of London Royal was rung at Brighton is in fact incorrect as this was only the first of the "No. 2" extension. The first peal of an extension of London to ten bells was the "No. 1" version rung at Steyne 19 years before the Brighton peal, in 1907. [As printed last week.—Ed.]

I hope this clears up the points raised and I thank readers for their comments.—Yours faithfully,

CHRISTOPHER F. MEW.

Putney, S.W.

"St. Oswald's bells continue to be chimed and notice is required if anyone wishes to ring full circle as the chiming hammers have to be cleared out of the way and ropes put on."

I submitted this section to the architect and Vicar of St. Oswald's for their comments on (1) any of the points in the statement, (2) the circumstances in which permission was granted for the ringing of the quarter peal on Whit Sunday, (3) what would be the attitude to any further requests for permission to ring at St. Oswald's. I wrote to Mr. Armitage to show which parts of his account had been included.

The Architect commented: "I take great exception to the statement made that the architect had agreed that the tower was not unsafe for ringing and I trust that this will be corrected as quickly as possible as it is absolutely untrue. My opinion on the ringing of the bells has been very clearly stated to the vicar and I have today written a further letter to him restating the grounds on which my opinion is based.

"I feel that I must leave him to make any further comments on this subject which has been very thoroughly explored over the past ten years."

The Vicar commented: "I ought, in reply, to say that while I was willing for the bells to be rung by Mr. Armitage and others, we had a considerable and detailed enquiry about the bells previously conducted by the Rev. J. W. Rogerson and Mr. Serge Zvegintsov. The outcome at that stage had been that it was inadvisable to ring the bells until a new frame had been installed and the bells themselves looked at and in some cases recast. They were then put in order for chiming.

"I was most surprised when Mr. Armitage appeared several years later and seemed to imply that things were not as bad as they had appeared to be and that it was worth ringing them with an experienced band to see what sort of effect this would have. He also seemed to imply that the architect, while not in agreement, was not averse to such an attempt. I therefore gave permission if the churchwardens were in agreement. It was not my intention that this should be the precedent for ringing in the future, nor to suggest any kind of contradiction of the architect's previously expressed views. Since the occasion of Mr. Armitage's visit to ring the bells I have received a letter of disapproval and disquiet from the Rev. J. W. Rogerson and also correspondence from the architect expressing disquiet. I appreciate your interest and shall be glad to give you any further information."

Mr. Armitage dissented from my view that it was desirable to give an account of what had gone on "behind the scenes" in obtaining permission to ring on "unringable" bells. I hope, sir, that you will agree with me that this is a matter of public interest and publish this letter. I regret that the holiday season has delayed the completion of the correspondence, but I have thought it better to suffer this delay in order to present the three views simultaneously. I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Armitage for his information.

I hope that this letter makes quite clear what is the present position at St. Oswald's, Durham. What has been achieved by this quarter peal I leave for others to judge.—Yours faithfully,

DENIS A. BAYLES.

Hon. General Secretary.

D. and N. Diocesan Association.

Quarter Peals

DATE TOUCH

Great Mongeham, Kent.—Sept. 12, 1970 Doubles (three methods): P. Hambrook 1, Mrs. F. Lawrence 2, Miss S. Russell 3, F. Rye 4, F. Lawrence (cond.) 5, K. Gatland 6. A wedding compliment to Robin Wilson and Gillian Hawkins. Longest length for 1, 3 and 6.

LONG LENGTH

Lanteglos-by-Fowey, Cornwall.—Sept. 12, 2640 Doubles (31 m/v): Hilary Dash 1, F. M. Bowers 2, A. Locke 3, T. J. Bell (cond.) 4, A. J. Davidson 5, P. C. Evans 6. Peal attempt curtailed.

Aldrington (Hove), Sussex.—Sept. 13, 1960 Bob Doubles: P. Morris 1, Diana M. Gough 2, J. N. Lambert 3, D. Kirkcaldy 4, H. W. Brown (cond.) 5, D. J. Hood 6. Wedding compliment to Ann E. Sharpe and John Fowler.

Arlecdon, Cumb.—Aug. 29, 1260 Bob Doubles: F. Richardson 1, T. E. Brown 2, D. Sim 3, C. F. Gates 4, Mrs. M. Dodd (cond.) 5, W. Seward 6.

Ash, Surrey.—Sept. 14, 1260 Doubles (three methods): Susan Levers 1, Marilyn Reay 2, Angela Smart 3, P. Smart 4, T. Page (cond.) 5, R. Backhurst 6. Half-muffled in memoriam Edgar Sherwood, former captain for 30 years.

Banwell, Som.—Sept. 19, 1256 Little Bob Major: P. J. England (cond.) 1, Margaret James 2, Hillary Derham 3, T. Chapman 4, E. Dibble 5, C. T. Clarke 6, G. Hebden 7, S. G. Smith 8. First in method 3, 5 and 7.

Belton, Leics.—Aug. 30, 1440 Treble Bob (1 Kent, 1 Oxford): D. W. Bee 1, H. J. Hazell 2, Hazel J. Nichols 3, P. Charlesworth 4, G. Slater 5, A. Rowley (cond.) 6.

Benhall, Suffolk.—Sept. 12, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Peters 1, R. P. Peters 2, M. Baldry 3, T. Hughes 4, M. Peters (first as cond.) 5, H. Archer 6. A birthday compliment to P. S. Bedford, of Aldeburgh.

Bexley, Kent.—Sept. 20, 1260 Bob Minor: P. W. Shonk 1, Pat Fox 2, Valerie L. Bowler 3, Brenda Coode 4, Mary R. Andrews 5, E. J. Coode (first as cond.) 6. For Evensong; also a compliment to Rev. L. G. Thorogood on his ordination to the priesthood.

Bicker, Lincs.—Sept. 6, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. A. J. Singleton 1, Yvonne Singleton 2, D. Fensom 3, W. B. Dawson 4, M. J. Belcher (cond.) 5, A. J. Singleton 6. For Evensong.

Birch-in-Rusholme, Lancs.—Aug. 23, 1260 Bob Minor: I. E. Margaret Manby 1, Catherine M. Kay 2, Pauline Tallis 3, P. Boucher 4, P. Dyson 5, S. N. Harrop (first as cond.) 6.

Brading, I.O.W.—Sept. 19, 1260 Doubles (three methods; 7, 6, 8 covering): K. Squibb 1, Jill Reed 2, L. Jamieson 3, A. Russell 4, T. F. East (cond.) 5, Ann Duff 6, I. Russell 7, E. Duff 8. First in three methods by all except conductor.

Bredbury, Cheshire.—Sept. 12, 1260 Bob Minor: Wendy J. Morris (first Minor) 1, A. Hibbert 2, Elizabeth A. Hibbert 3, B. F. Trueman 4, M. Foulds 5, S. I. Bamforth (cond.) 6.

Bredgar, Kent.—Sept. 12, 1260 Doubles (five methods): Hazel V. Mitchell (godmother) 1, Wendy R. Austin 2, G. Wood (godfather) 3, F. J. Dadson 4, L. Mitchell (godfather, cond.) 5, W. S. Edmed (father) 6. To welcome Stephen Robert Edmed into the Christian family, born July 10, baptised September 6.

Bredon's Norton, Worcs.—Sept. 13, 1260 Bob Minor: J. Attwood, jun. 1, R. Perks 2, R. Hickmott 3, H. Plumb 4, K. Pratt 5, J. Attwood, sen. (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Farewell quarter to treble (joining Merchant Navy).

Bridgend, Glam.—Sept. 20, 1260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering): W. Gibbins 1, H. Preece 2, W. T. Petty (cond.) 3, G. A. Evans 4, H. D. Bryant 5, S. Coleman 6, T. E. Hiddins 7, B. V. Thurman 8. For Harvest Festival.

Burnham, Som.—Sept. 14, 1260 Stedman Triples: R. D. Short 1, S. Brown 2, J. Brain 3, E. Dibble (first Stedman) 4, P. Dye 5, C. T. Clarke 6, P. J. England (cond.) 7, E. T. Lee 8.

Carlisle, Cumb. (Cathedral).—1260 Bob Minor: Miss M. Atkinson 1, Miss S. H. Bennett 2, Miss R. M. Bennett 3, Rev. B. Redgers 4, J. Ling 5, Rev. L. R. Pizzey (cond.) 6, J. Boustead 7. First for 1, 2 and 3.

Cambridge (St. Mary the Great).—Aug. 10, 1263 Stedman Caters: J. H. R. Freeborn 1, I. J. Quinney 2, R. W. Balls 3, H. F. J. Muncey 4, C. M. P. Johnson 5, F. E. Haynes (cond.) 6, G. Pearson 7, H. C. Foster 8, B. D. Threlfall 9, A. Twyman 10. For the institution of Rev. Stanley Booth-Clibborn as vicar.

Cheddington, Bucks.—Sept. 11, 1260 Bob Minor: Christine Younger 1, Margaret Aslett 2, Hilary Aslett 3, P. Aslett 4, C. Younger (first inside) 5, C. F. Loke (cond.) 6. Birthday compliment to Mrs. Joan Kingham.

Chinnor, Oxon.—Aug. 30, 1260 Doubles (8 methods): P. Wilkinson 1, Dawn V. Little 2, E. Harmsworth 3, Mrs. R. G. Hazell 4, R. G. Hazell (cond.) 5, F. Keen 6. First in eight methods for all except 2. A farewell to Mrs. Dawn V. Little, moving to Kirk Ella, E. Yorks.

Copt Oak, Leics.—Aug. 31, 1296 Beverley S. Minor: Hazel J. Nichols 1, R. Martin 2, P. Charlesworth 3, G. Slater 4, D. W. Bee 5, A. Rowley (cond.) 6.

Coulson, Surrey.—Aug. 30, 1260 Doubles (six methods): G. Long 1, D. Little 2, A. Smith 3, A. Brock 4, D. Atkins (cond.) 5. A farewell to Canon H. Herbert on retirement after 14 years as rector.

Croft, Leics.—Aug. 29, 1296 Cambridge Minor: P. Charlesworth 1, G. Slater 2, H. J. Hazell 3, D. W. Bee 4, R. Martin 5, A. Rowley (cond.) 6. Silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Crick. Also Sept. 12, 1320 Bob Doubles: F. Watson 1, Kathleen Leamont (first quarter) 2, S. Harrison 3, Carol I. V. Brown (cond.) 4, M. Brown 5, W. Brown (first quarter) 6. Wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. V. Moran.

Dagenham, Essex.—Sept. 19, 1260 Stedman Triples: Miss C. Barrett 1, D. Potter (first in method) 2, P. Bloomfield 3, Mrs. R. L. Armstrong 4, Miss J. Pullen 5, D. Ralls 6, J. Armstrong (cond.) 7, W. Potter 8.

Easthampstead, Berks.—Aug. 30, 1260 Bob Triples: Joan Scott 1, Susan E. Rance 2, G. N. Scott 3, Joan A. Rance 4, C. N. Bailey 5, S. G. Scott 6, A. J. Rance (first in method as cond.) 7, W. C. Churchill 8. For Evensong.

East Molesey, Surrey.—Sept. 5, 1344 Grandsire Triples: Lesley A. Hawes 1, Ann V. Salvage 2, C. E. Bulleid 3, Katharine Salvage 4, B. J. Stone 5, C. D. Collin (cond.) 6, Anthea S. Bruce 7, I. J. Whitear 8. A wedding compliment to Bryony Moorby and Richard Dorrington by All Saints' Society, Kingston.

Edinburgh (St. Mary's Episcopal Cathedral).—Sept. 19, 1260 Spliced Plain and Little Bob Royal: W. H. Pickett 1, Miss K. Bransom 2, Miss L. Martin 3, Miss J. Tomkinson 4, T. C. Winderam 5, T. J. Winderam 6, A. Dempster 7, M. Yink 8, M. Peterson 9, J. M. Preston (cond.) 10.

Egremont, Cumb.—Sept. 4, 1260 Bob Doubles: D. G. Kealey 1-2, K. M. Price (cond.) 3-4, C. F. Gates 5-6. Also Sept. 4, 1260 Bob Minor: Denise McLean (first Minor) 1, Vera C. Bell 2, Mary Dodd 3, K. M. Price (cond.) 4, G. Tembey 5, C. F. Gates 6. Golden wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. Rothery.

Fordingbridge, Hants.—Sept. 12, 1260 Grandsire Triples: F. E. Collins 1, E. G. Cork 2, Olive Collins 3, W. E. Cheater 4, S. C. Walker 5, W. T. Perrins 6, D. G. Andrews (first as cond.) 7, L. T. Perrins 8. For Patronal Festival.

Friskney, Lincs.—Sept. 11, 1320 Bob Doubles: N. Portess 1, E. W. Stow 2, Valerie M. Shaw (first as cond.) 3, G. K. Brader 4, S. W. Shrive 5, E. Year 6. For Son et Lumière.

Froxfield, Hants.—Sept. 5, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. V. Harfield (first quarter) 1, Maureen Tipper 2, Karin Hatherly 3, Mrs. Ann Hall 4, K. Tipper (cond.) 5, F. Hagenbuch 6. A birthday compliment to Karin Hatherly.

Gloucester (St. Mary de Crypt).—Aug. 2, 1260 Kent and P.B. Minor: L. Barry 1, T. N. J. Bailey (cond.) 2, R. Hazell 3, R. Hunt 4, I. Goulter 5, P. Gould 6.

Hardington Mandeville, Som.—Sept. 20, 1260 Bob Minor: Mrs. G. W. Rendell 1, Miss B. Look 2, G. W. Rendell, sen. 3, J. Farthing 4, W. E. Turner 5, G. W. Rendell, jun. (cond.) 6. To mark the completion of 40 years in the ministry of Canon L. W. C. Sharland (rector) and 25 years of ringing by the conductor, who was taught at Hardington.

Halesowen, Worcs.—Sept. 13, 1260 Stedman Triples: I. Shilcock 1, A. B. Ellismore 2, L. W. Clissett 3, B. E. Woodall (cond.) 4, Miss W. Pretty 5, M. L. Lashford 6, H. Shilcock 7, T. Greenhall 8. Half-muffled in memoriam Mr. A. Tromans and Mrs. E. Lay.

Halse, Som.—Sept. 5, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: F. Pike 1, R. Bartlett 2, T. Hancock 3, F. Morris 4, R. Cross (cond.) 5, A. Smith 6. Wedding compliments to Miss F. Gadd and Mr. K. Beale and Miss J. Tucker and Mr. J. Lang.

Hawarden, Flints.—Sept. 11, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Norah M. Randles 1, Rachel Collins 2, J. Capper 3, D. H. B. Millward 4, G. H. Randles (cond.) 5, W. Cathrall 6. A farewell to Rev. Baden Powell on retirement.

Hayes, Middx.—Aug. 16, 1296 Bob Major: M. Britchford 1, Joyce Dodds 2, J. M. Britchford 3, M. J. Palmer 4, R. G. Chappelle 5, F. Corke 6, G. Dodds 7, A. Price (cond.) 8.

Hendon, Middx.—Aug. 23, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Dianne Gazeley 1, Dorothea M. Robotham 2, Elisabeth S. Spry 3, D. J. Gazeley 4, B. C. Watson (cond.) 5, B. Livings 6. For Parish Communion. A compliment to Amanda and Brian Livings on the birth of a daughter, Jane Elizabeth. Also Sept. 16, 1260 Grandsire Triples: D. Gazeley 1, Ruth Foreman 2, J. Witham 3, Dorothea Robotham 4, G. Ellis 5, J. Smith 6, B. Watson (cond.) 7, A. Warren 8. Wedding compliment to Dianne Gazeley and Walter Knight, married this day.

Highclere, Berks.—Sept. 13, 1440 Bob Minor: A. P. Gwynn (first quarter) 1, G. K. Dodd 2, C. Kendall 3, M. Goss 4, D. Goss 5, P. L. Furniss (cond.) 6.

High Wycombe, Bucks.—June 9, 1260 Stedman Triples: Louise Evans (first Stedman) 1, Ann Parr 2, A. Clutton 3, A. K. Fortin 4, J. Simmonds 5, D. Francis 6, S. M. Bailey (cond.) 7, A. Timms 8. Half-muffled in memoriam Mr. M. B. Parry-Jones, churchwarden.

Hurstpierpoint, Sussex.—June 21, 1260 Grandsire Triples: K. Mary Lambert 1, Maureen E. Kirkcaldy 2, H. W. Brown 3, D. Kirkcaldy (cond.) 4, J. N. Lambert 5, J. R. Norris 6, J. Kirkcaldy (first quarter) 7, R. H. Tribe 8. For Evensong.

Kilminster, Devon.—Sept. 16, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Haines 1, D. B. Ellery 2, Valerie Calvert (first Doubles) 3, M. J. Hiller 4, I. Calvert (cond.) 5, A. D. Case 6.

Kingston upon Thames, Surrey.—Sept. 6, 1260 Grandsire Triples: C. E. Bulleid 1, Ann V. Salvage 2, Katharine Salvage 3, I. J. Whitear 4, G. J. Collett 5, C. D. Collin 6, B. J. Stone (cond.) 7, J. Knipe 8. For Evensong. Also Sept. 13, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Katharine Salvage 1, Ann V. Salvage 2, Lesley A. Hawes 3, A. M. Cluer 4, I. J. Whitear 5, C. E. Bulleid 6, B. J. Stone (cond.) 7, J. Knipe 8. For the visit of Bishop Gilpin at Festal Evensong for Kingston Church Festival, 1970.

Kirton-in-Holland, Lincs.—Sept. 7, 1264 Bob Major: D. Flatters 1, D. Fensom 2, G. A. Flatters 3, H. Barsley 4, A. E. Flatters 5, M. J. Belcher 6, R. Stephenson 7, P. H. Reynolds (cond.) 8. Birthday compliment to treble ringer.

Leadham, Lincs.—Aug. 20, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Elaine M. Rolfe 1, Susan M. Heath 2, S. Mitchell 3, F. Derry (cond.) 4, J. Benett 5, R. Ruthven 6. Half-muffled in memoriam William North, many years a local ringer.

Lincoln (Cathedral).—Sept. 8, 1311 Stedman Cinques: H. J. Radley (first on 12) 1, J. L. Millhouse (cond.) 2, Gillian Radley 3, Kathleen Fox 4, Jennifer Freeman 5, G. R. Parker 6, W. Tomlinson 7, P. A. Sharp 8, H. Gibson 9, J. Walden 10, J. Freeman 11, P. Pitchford 12. For the Nativity of B.V.M.

London, W.C. (St. Clement Danes).—Sept. 13, 1277 Grandsire Caters: W. G. Wilson 1, Mrs. S. Trotter 2, Mrs. H. E. Oatway 3, Mrs. J. Kelly (first Caters) 4, H. Falkner 5, Miss M. E. Lewis 6, A. M. Stacey 7, R. Cadamy 8, W. F. Oatway (cond.) 9, A. Fulwell 10.

Longwood, Yorks.—Aug. 23, 1320 Surprise Minor (three methods): A. Lunn 1, S. Williams 2, S. Lunn 3, D. Williams 4, B. Ellis 5, I. Roberts (cond.) 6. Also Sept. 7, 1320 Spliced Delight Minor (four methods): same band, conducted by B. Ellis. Also Sept. 20, 1440 Spliced Treble Bob and Delight Minor (11 methods): same band, conducted by I. Roberts. All rung for Evensong.

Long Sutton, Som.—Sept. 5, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: G. W. Rendell, sen. 1, G. Baldam 2, G. W. Rendell, jun. 3, E. T. P. Field (cond.) 4, Rev. C. J. B. Marshall 5, R. J. Hunt 6. For the festival of flowers.

Loughton, Essex.—Sept. 13, 1260 Grandsire Triples: A. Barham 1, Glynis Perry 2, Christine Ottaway 3, F. Tomlin 4, R. E. Burbery 5, C. W. Ottaway (cond.) 6, J. P. Ottaway 7, E. J. Cross 8.

Marlesford, Suffolk.—Sept. 7, 1260 Bob Doubles: G. Finch 1, M. Peters 2, H. Vince 3, T. Hughes (cond.) 4, M. Baldry 5, R. Peters 6. A birthday compliment to treble ringer, 80 this day.

Mersham, Kent.—Sept. 9, 1260 Bob Triples: Margaret Osborne (first quarter) 1, Brenda Davies 2, C. J. E. Wyld 3, P. Richardson 4, M. S. Lancefield 5, P. Staples 6, N. J. Davies (cond.) 7, M. Osborne (first Triples) 8. Half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. R. Brocklehurst, widow of Canon G. Brocklehurst, of Mersham, interred this day in her 101st year.

Milborne St. Andrew, Dorset.—Sept. 15, 1260 Doubles: P. C. Joyce 1, Mrs. L. Mears 2, C. W. Tidwell (cond.) 3, R. H. J. Mears 4, R. J. Mears 5, F. Bracher (first quarter, ringer for 47 years) 6. A welcome to Rev. John Harry Spruyt.

Milland, Sussex.—Aug. 21, 1260 Bob Doubles: J. Nelson (first attempt) 1, K. Mary Lambert 2, D. Kirkcaldy 3, J. Kirkcaldy 4, J. R. Norris (cond.) 5, J. N. Lambert 6.

Mursley, Bucks.—Sept. 8, 1260 Bob Minor: Marian Addy 1, Mary Watson (first inside) 2, Hilary Aslett 3, P. Aslett 4, M. Jameson 5, C. F. Loke (cond.) 6.

Nettleham, Lincs.—Sept. 13, 1260 Bob Doubles: Mrs. M. Parker 1, D. Booth 2, Miss R. Wilson 3, Miss R. Redden 4, W. Booth (cond.) 5, C. Nicoll 6. A farewell to C. Nicoll.

New Alresford, Hants.—Sept. 6, 1320 Bob Doubles: S. G. Dando (first quarter) 1, Dorothy M. Huggins 2, Jane E. Dando (cond.) 3, A. Hoar 4, J. Huggins 5, A. Hoskins 6. For Evensong.

Newbold-on-Avon, Warks.—Sept. 6, 1260 Doubles (11 m/v): Anne Rigby 1, J. G. Edgson 2, P. M. Edgson 3, T. J. Frodsham 4, A. G. Eveleigh (cond.) 5, K. Rigby 6. For family service.

Newmarket, Suffolk (St. Mary).—Sept. 13, 1260 Bob Doubles: R. Heath 1, Georgina Carter 2, H. Miller (first quarter) 3, D. Andrews (first inside) 4, A. Barber (cond.) 5, A. Mason 6. For Evensong on the first anniversary of the induction of the rector, Rev. P. May.

Newport, Mon (St. Woolos Cathedral).—Sept. 13, 1260 Stedman Triples: Marion R. Bennett 1, R. M. Esbester 2, P. N. Chambers 3, J. D. Hankin 4, R. Wallace 5, A. W. E. Bainham 6, P. S. Bennett (cond.) 7, M. J. Pryor 8. A farewell to the cathedral chaplain (Rev. H. Bird).

Newton-le-Willows, Lincs.—Sept. 6, 1260 Bob Triples: Ann Thomas 1, Lesley Mackbeth 2, E. Flint 3, R. A. Dorling 4, D. Bennett (cond.) 5, S. N. Harrop 6, F. Heyes 7, K. Edwards 8. Rung in farewell to Rev. D. D. Roberts (vicar), who leaves Newton after 11 years.

Northaw, Herts.—Aug. 30, 1272 Kent T.B. Minor: Ann Davison 1, J. Carter (first inside) 2, Margaret Croysdill 3, Jill Carter 4, G. Austin 5, B. Greenwood (cond.) 6. Wedding anniversary compliments to Mr. and Mrs. E. Davison.

Old Wolverton, Bucks.—Sept. 13, 1260 Bob Minor: S. Miller 1, A. May 2, F. Mynard 3, R. Haseldine 4, M. G. Hooton 5, A. Haseldine (first as cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival.

Ormskirk, Lancs.—Sept. 11, 1344 Bob Triples: J. Dilworth 1, D. Jones 2, Mrs. Perry 3, J. Roebuck 4, Mrs. C. D'aeth 5, M. Snape 6, J. Richardson (cond.) 7, H. Robinson 8. For C.M.S. service.

Orsett, Essex.—Sept. 16, 1260 Stedman Doubles: Miss S. A. Mayell 1, F. V. Gant 2, Mrs. D. G. Mayell 3, H. Smith 4, D. G. Mayell (cond.) 5, F. W. Blatch 6. First in method 1, 4, 6. For the ordination of Stephen D. Holdaway, one-time ringer at Orsett.

Penzance, Cornwall.—Sept. 13, 1260 Grandsire Triples: R. Diane Carter 1, G. W. Taysom 2, Janet S. Evans 3, F. M. Bowers (cond.) 4, W. R. Curtis 5, T. J. Bell 6, A. J. Davidson 7, M. D. Smaldon 8. For parish feast, and with the best wishes of the band to John George and Elizabeth Grenfell, both ringers at Paul, married at St. John's, Penzance, on Sept. 9.

Pilton, Som.—Aug. 16, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan M. Donaghue 1, Elizabeth A. Hutton (first quarter) 2, Susan E. Berry (first quarter) 3, M. G. Bartlett 4, Sheila Y. Jenkins (cond.) 5, C. R. Jenkins 6. For Sung Eucharist. Also Sept. 9, 1260 Bob Doubles: Alison J. Whiteley (first quarter) 1, V. G. Roberts 2, M. G. Bartlett 3, Sheila Y. Jenkins 4, M. J. Whiteley (cond.) 5, D. J. Buckley (first quarter) 6.

Polesworth, Warks.—Sept. 13, 1320 New Bob Doubles: S. Allsopp 1, M. Quimby (cond.) 2, M. Allsopp 3, R. Knight 4, D. Hiorns 5, T. Oxford 6. For Family Communion. Also Sept. 13, 1260 Bob Minor: Jane Myatt 1, A. Allsopp 2, M. Quimby 3, M. Allsopp 4, D. Hiorns 5, R. Knight (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

Portsmouth, Hants (Cathedral).—Sept. 6, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Edna Jones 1, Jean Berriman 2, B. Fry 3, M. Cass 4, W. Willans (comp.) 5, C. Bryant 6, A. Buswell (cond.) 7, A. Hoodless 8. For Evensong.

Portsmouth, Hants (St. Mary).—Sept. 13, 1274 Bob Triples: Mrs. E. Duguid 1, Mrs. B. Hunt 2, J. H. Hunt (cond.) 3, Mrs. C. Rolph 4, A. Burbridge 5, L. D. Duguid 6, J. F. A. Rolph 7, C. Harris 8. For the institution and induction of Rev. K. G. Gibbons as Vicar of St. Mary's, Portsea.

Pyll, Som.—Feb. 19, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Veronica M. G. Frewin 1, Susan M. Donaghue (first quarter) 2, Sheila Y. Jenkins (cond.) 3, M. G. Bartlett 4, C. R. Jenkins 5.

Radcliffe-on-Trent, Notts.—Sept. 13, 1272 Minor (three methods): E. Buxton 1, Rosemary Willey 2, H. Hanson 3, L. Jolley 4, B. Bull 5, D. Stainsby (cond.) 6. In appreciation of Rev. A. Woodsford's three years' ministry in the parish; also a wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. Buxton.

Rayleigh, Essex.—Aug. 23, 1260 Oxford Bob Triples: Miss V. Nash 1, P. Giles 2, J. Laken 3, F. May 4, P. Sadler 5, D. Belcham 6, M. Hallett (cond.) 7, W. Ward 8. In memoriam William Ellis. Also Sept. 6, 1260 Grandsire Triples: P. Sadler 1, B. Sadler 2, P. Giles 3, F. May 4, R. Tomlin 5, D. Belcham 6, T. Sharp (first as cond.) 7, G. Blower 8. To celebrate birth of a son to Peter and Pat Chapman. Also Sept. 13, 1260 Oxford Bob Triples: Josie Sadler 1, J. Warboys 2, Valerie Nash (first in method) 3, F. May 4, T. Sharp 5, J. Laken 6, A. House (cond.) 7, W. Ward 8. A welcome to Neil Hallett, born Sept. 7.

Rayne, Essex.—Sept. 16, 1260 St. Clements Minor: F. Roper 1, J. Connell 2, J. Green 3, S. Sudbury 4, R. Threadgold (cond.) 5, C. Gilling-Scalby, Yorks.—July 23, 1260 Bob Minor: R. Thomson (first quarter) 1, W. Hudson 2, A. Grundy 3, Pamela Rennard 4, E. P. King 5, M. Pickup (cond.) 6. Rung as a farewell to the conductor, leaving the area.

Scarborough, Yorks.—July 14, 1260 Bob Minor: Fiona Davis (first quarter) 1, Pamela Rennard (first inside) 2, E. P. King 3, A. Grundy 4, W. Hudson 5, M. Pickup (cond.) 6. Rung as a farewell to the conductor, leaving the area.

Selston, Notts.—Sept. 19, 1260 Bob Minor: Mary Macknight 1, A. L. Rawson 2, A. Smithson (cond.) 3, S. Harpham 4, W. Riley 5, C. A. Jacques 6. First quarter 1 and 4.

Sheffield, Yorks (St. John, Ranmoor).—Sept. 19, 1260 Bob Minor: Elizabeth A. Hibbert 1-2, S. I. Bamforth (first Minor in hand) 3-4, M. Foulds (cond.) 5-6.

Shorne, Kent.—Sept. 13, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Elizabeth M. Gardner (first quarter) 1, F. J. Matthews 2, E. C. Stuart 3, A. E. Clayton 4, P. L. R. Hayward (cond., 100th quarter) 5, R. M. Thompson 6.

Silsoe, Beds.—Sept. 6, 1260 Bob Doubles: Mary J. Harris (13) 1, Margaret E. Harris (13) 2, Susan Catlin 3, C. Catlin 4, T. R. Harris (cond.) 5, D. A. Eddy 6. First attempt 1, 2. For special youth service.

Southgate, Middx.—Sept. 20, 1260 Bob Minor: C. Thorne (first quarter) 1, Rosalind Thorne 2, D. Willcocks 3, Ammette Bradbury 4, W. Wainwright 5, J. Witham (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival family service; also as a wedding compliment to Elizabeth Thorne and Peter Overfield, ringers at Essendon, Herts. Also Sept. 20, 1260 Bob Doubles: C. Martin 1, Mary Piper 2, S. G. Peck 3, W. Wainwright 4, D. Willcocks (cond.) 5. For Evensong.

Southwark, S.E. (Cathedral).—Aug. 16, 1299 Stedman Caters: E. J. Adams (first of Stedman Caters) 1, Deborah Bishop 2, Doris E. Colegate 3, P. J. Simmonds 4, M. Hatchett 5, W. G. Wilson 6, C. M. Meyer 7, A. S. Bishop 8, J. W. Smith (cond.) 9, K. J. Rider 10.

Sproughton, Suffolk.—Sept. 12, 1260 Minor (Oxford T.B., Plain Bob): I. Lockwood 1, R. Kersey 2, W. Lockwood 3, K. Whittell 4, E. Lockwood 5, R. Steward (cond.) 6. For festival of flowers and music. Also Sept. 13, 1260 Minor (Oxford T.B., Plain Bob): P. Archer 1, R. Kersey 2, K. Whittell 3, J. Hollis 4, J. Girt 5, R. Steward (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival Matins. Also Sept. 13, 1272 Minor (720 Cambridge, 552 Kent): Barbara Clift 1, Elizabeth A. Bowyer 2, Margaret E. Egglestone 3, L. R. Parry 4, R. C. Groom 5, H. W. Egglestone (cond.) 6. For Evensong and to welcome the Bishop of Dunwich.

Standlake, Oxon.—Aug. 31, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss M. Raymont (first on tower bells) 1, V. Clifton 2, G. Elms 3, M. J. Turner 4, L. R. Porter (cond.) 5, C. P. Turner (first covering) 6. For 500th anniversary of Standlake Rectory (1470-1970). Also Sept. 6, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss M. Raymont 1, V. Clifton 2, M. J. Turner 3, G. Elms 4, B. J. Coggins 5, C. P. Turner 6. Conducted by 3 and 5. For Patronal Festival.

Steep, Hants.—Sept. 12, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Catherine M. Andrews (first quarter) 1, Mrs. Ann Hall 2, Miss C. Roberts 3, R. Tipper 4, K. Tipper (cond.) 5, F. Hagenbuch 6. A birthday compliment to Catherine M. Andrews.

Stithians, Cornwall.—Sept. 18, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Barbara J. Duck 1, Kathryn R. Pearce 2, L. W. Allen 3, R. P. Pearce 4, A. J. Davidson (cond.) 5. For Harvest Festival.

Sutton, Lincs.—Aug. 24, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: M. J. Belcher (cond.) 1, Julie Rushden (first quarter) 2, Angela Moore (first quarter) 3, H. Barsley 4, R. Stephenson 5, R. Moore (first quarter) 6.

Sutton-in-Ashfield, Notts.—Aug. 18, 1264 Bob Major: Jane A. Smith 1, P. A. Rose 2, P. R. Wild 3, C. Davis 4, L. G. Smith 5, D. Hird 6, P. L. R. Hayward 7, B. A. Solis 8. A birthday compliment to Mrs. N. Smith.

Thorley, Herts.—Sept. 13, 1272 Kent T.B. Minor: D. Hutley 1, K. Westwood 2, P. Warboys (cond.) 3, P. Glazebrook 4, W. Hunt 5, T. Camp 6. For flower festival.

Tollesbury, Essex.—Sept. 12, 1280 Cambridge S. Major: Mrs. M. Roast 1, R. W. Leavett 2, Mrs. C. Hudson 3, A. Hudson 4, Mrs. Y. Towler 5, T. Spurgeon 6, J. E. G. Roast (cond.) 7, J. Towler 8.

Walton-on-Thames, Surrey.—Sept. 6, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Attfield 1, A. Bailey 2, Anne Anthony 3, D. Misseldine 4, J. J. Bailey (cond.) 5, N. Piper 6. First quarter 1, 4, 6. A wedding compliment to John Rycroft and Lynda Corner and a farewell on their departure to Durban, South Africa.

Wentworth, Yorks.—Sept. 13, 1320 Doubles (six methods): R. M. Nalliah 1, D. E. Archer 2, M. King (cond.) 3, R. R. Nalliah 4, D. Hunton 5, R. Grundy 6. For Evensong, and a farewell to D. E. Archer. Also Sept. 20, 1440 Bob Minor: R. Grundy (first Minor) 1, R. R. Nalliah (first inside of Minor) 2, D. E. Archer 3, L. Hallows (first Minor) 4, D. Hunton 5, M. King (cond.) 6. For Battle of Britain Sunday Evensong.

Weston-super-Mare, Som.—Sept. 7, 1250 Rutland S. Major: Heather Kippin 1, R. C. Kippin 2, D. Gay 3, E. T. Lee 4, P. J. England (cond.) 5, R. G. Edwards 6, S. Brown 7, J. Brain 8.

West Retford, Notts.—Sept. 9, 1260 Bob Minor: H. Archer 1, S. W. Knights 2, Miss C. M. Wright 3, P. N. Mounsey (cond.) 4, B. Birkett 5, J. A. Coates 6. For the induction and institution of Rev. Colin Neild as rector.

Wilburton, Cambs.—Sept. 2, 1260 Bob Minor: R. Palmer 1, G. Markwell 2, W. Murrells 3, B. Hullah 4, C. Gimbert 5, A. Yarrow (cond.) 6. Half-muffled in memoriam Robert Palmer, jun., aged 8 days, son of treble ringer.

Willoughby-on-the-Wolds, Notts.—Aug. 24, 1440 Norwich S. Minor: D. W. Flower 1, D. Oliver 2, T. H. Kirkman 3, R. J. Stretton 4, A. E. Clayton 5, P. L. R. Hayward (cond.) 6.

Pead

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSN.

PILTON, Som, St. John the Baptist.

Sat., Aug. 22, 1970, 2hr. 54min. (17½ cwt.)

5040 DOUBLES (14 extents Rev. Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob and Grandsire).

- 1 Gwilym G. Salmon
- *2 Elizabeth A. Hutton
- 3 Michael G. Bartlett
- †4 Martin J. Whiteley
- 5 Sheila Y. Jenkins (Conductor)
- 6 Edwin G. Lambert

*First peal. †First in three methods. To welcome Roger Philip John, son of Cynthia and John Kirkham.

MILVERTON, Som, St. Michael and All Angels.

Sat., Sept. 12, 1970, 2hr. 48min. (18 cwt.)

5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES (Dexter's No. 2.)

- *1 Christopher G. Barnes
- 2 Arthur H. Reed
- 3 Adrian F. Arscott
- †4 Leslie H. Arscott
- 5 Frank D. Mack
- 6 Patrick J. Bird (Conductor)
- 7 D. John Hunt
- 8 Rodney A. Cross

*First of Stedman. †First of Triples. To congratulate Ashley and Sandra Pike on the birth of a son (David).

CHILCOMPTON, Som, St. John the Baptist.

Sat., Sept. 12, 1970, 3hr. 8min. (20 cwt.)

5040 SURPRISE MINOR (Beverley, London, York, Primrose, Norfolk, Ipswich, Cambridge).

- 1 Gwilym G. Salmon
- 2 Ronald G. Beck
- 3 Adrian P. Beck
- 4 Edward J. Chivers
- 5 Robert E. Beck
- 6 Robert C. Kippin (Conductor)

CHURCHILL, Som, St. John the Baptist.

Mon., Sept. 14, 1970, 2hr. 45min. (14½ cwt.)

5040 DOUBLES (6 methods).

- 1 George Prescott (Conductor)
- 2 Marjorie Legg
- 3 Leonard Derrick
- 4 Cecil Mogford
- 5 Sidney G. Smith
- 6 James Lott

In memoriam E. J. Avery.

COMPTON DANDO, Som, St. Mary the Virgin.

Wed., Sept. 16, 1970, 3hr. 10min. (14½ cwt.)

5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR (7 extents).

- 1 Alan J. Coombs
- 2 Henry J. Coombs
- 3 Cecil Mogford
- 4 Robert Perry
- 5 Michael J. C. Cannon
- 6 Peter J. Devrell (Conductor)

First as conductor.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

ELSTOW, Beds, Abbey Church of SS. Mary and Helena.

Sat., Aug. 29, 1970, 2hr. 33min. (9½ cwt.)

5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR (Seven extents.)

- 1 Kathleen A. Marriott
- *2 Jeremy Piron
- 3 Charlotte M. Harris
- 4 David A. Hope
- 5 Martyn J. Marriott
- 6 Anthony H. Smith (Conductor)

*First of Minor.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire, St. Michael.

Sat., July 11, 1970, 3hr. 41min. (26½ cwt.)

5280 YORKSHIRE S. MAXIMUS

- *1 Eric Roughley
- 2 F. John Nelson
- 3 John Robinson
- 4 Geoffrey Gardner
- 5 C. Kenneth Lewis
- 6 J. Henry Fielden
- 7 Michael J. Platt
- 8 Peter Gardner
- 9 Richard Starkie
- 10 Alan Scholfield
- 11 C. Barrie Dove
- 12 Denis Mottershead (Conductor)

*First on 12.

MOTTRAM-IN-LONGDENDALE, Cheshire, St. Michael & All Angels.

Sat., Sept. 19, 1970, 2hr. 45min. (15 cwt.)

5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Composed by Arthur Knights.

- 1 Michael Foulds (Conductor)
- *2 Linda Merrall
- 3 Brian Schofield
- 4 William Birmingham, jun.
- 5 Peter Broadbent
- 6 Ronald F. Andrew
- 7 Peter G. Bellamy-Knights
- 8 Stuart I. Bamforth

*First of Major.

CUMBERLAND & NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION

EGREMONT, Cumberland, SS. Mary and Michael.

Fri., Sept. 11, 1970, 3 hr. (13½ cwt.)

5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Composed by Henry Hubbard.

- 1 Walter Seward
- 2 James E. Brown
- 3 Mary Dodd
- 4 Vera C. Bell
- 5 David G. Kealey
- 6 Colin F. Gates
- 7 Kevin M. Price (Conductor)
- *8 Fred Richardson

*First peal. A farewell to the Rev. N. Whitton (curate).

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

DERBY, All Saints' Cathedral.

Sat., July 4, 1970, 3hr. 25min. (19 cwt.)

5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Composed by J. A. Burford.

- 1 F. John Nelson
- 2 Sidney Hough
- 3 Kenneth Davenport
- 4 Roland H. Cook
- 5 Michael Thompson
- 6 Brian Mills
- 7 Geoffrey Paul
- 8 Denis Mottershead (Conductor)
- 9 Neil D. Lomas
- 10 Geoffrey Gardner

CASTLETON, Derbyshire, St. Edmund.
Sat., Aug. 29, 1970, 2hr. 51min. (11½ cwt.)

5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Composed by D. R. Carlisle.

- 1 Peter D. Taylor
- 2 Rev. Fred Ross
- 3 Timothy Wylie
- 4 Sidney Hough
- 5 Herbert E. Taylor
- 6 Rev. R. D. St. John Smith
- 7 Geoffrey R. Gardner
- 8 Denis R. Carlisle (Conductor)

For the opening of the Music and Arts Festival.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

BOURN, Cambs, SS. Helen and Mary.
Sat., Aug. 22, 1970, 2hr. 52min. (14 cwt.)

5024 DOUBLE NORWICH C.B. MAJOR Composed by A. M. Barber.

- 1 Bryan F. Sims
- 2 Alan M. Barber (Conductor)
- 3 Georgina C. M. Carter
- 4 Martin Major
- 5 Donald F. Murfet
- 6 John G. Gipson
- 7 Jack S. Dear
- 8 David R. Saunderson

TRUMPINGTON, Cambs, SS. Mary and Michael.

Tues., Aug. 25, 1970, 2hr. 42min. (10½ cwt.)

5184 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Composed by Simon Humphrey.

- 1 Jean Sanderson
- 2 Georgina C. M. Carter
- *3 Pat Hurworth
- 4 Barry J. Couzens
- 5 Geoffrey Pearson
- 6 Alan M. Barber (Conductor)
- 7 Donald F. Murfet
- 8 John G. Gipson

*First peal.

CAMBRIDGE, St. Andrew the Great.

Sat., Sept. 5, 1970, 3hr. (10½ cwt.)

5120 ASHTEAD SURPRISE MAJOR Composed by Nolan Golden.

- 1 Jack S. Dear
- *2 Alan M. Barber (Conductor)
- 3 Georgina C. M. Carter
- 4 George E. Bonham
- 5 Allen Twyman
- *6 Donald F. Murfet
- 7 David R. Saunderson
- 8 George E. Thoday

*100th together. 100th as conductor. First in the method by all except treble ringer.

BELL ROPES
JOHN NICOLL
SEE BACK PAGE

TRUMPINGTON, Cambs, SS. Mary and Michael.

Tues., Sept. 8, 1970, 2hr. 38min. (10½ cwt.)
5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR (10 methods: 576 Ashted, Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative, Yorkshire, 448 Bristol, 384 London, Rutland and Uxbridge, 130 changes of method).

Composed by Norman Smith.

- 1 Susan Rothera
- 2 Alan M. Barber (Conductor)
- 3 Donald F. Murfet
- 4 Geoffrey Pearson
- 5 Allen Twyman
- 6 Kenneth J. Hesketh
- 7 John G. Gipson
- 8 Philip J. Rothera

MELDRETH, Cambs, Holy Trinity.

Fri., Sept. 11, 1970, 2hr. 48min. (11 cwt.)

5104 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Composed by Simon Humphrey.

- 1 Frank Harper
- 2 Alan M. Barber (Conductor)
- 3 Barry J. Couzens
- 4 Marion Kemp
- *5 Richard A. M. Newman
- 6 Jean Sanderson
- 7 John G. Gipson
- 8 D. William Newman

*First peal. A farewell to Richard Newman.

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**MAISEMORE, Glos, St. Giles.**

Fri., Sept. 11, 1970, 2hr. 38min. (11 cwt.)

5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR (7 extents).

- 1 Leslie Barry
- *2 Patricia M. Clarke
- 3 Ralph Hazell
- 4 Leonard Edwards
- 5 Patrick Allen
- 6 Trevor N. J. Bailey (Conductor)

*First of Bob Minor. First since 1931 and on the bells since rehanging in 1969.

NORTH CERNEY, Glos, All Saints.

Fri., Sept. 11, 1970, 2hr. 35min. (7 cwt.)

5040 MINOR (15 methods: College Exercise, Norbury; Oxford Treble Bob; Kent Treble Bob; Cambridge and Beverley Surprise; St. Clements, Childwall, Buxton, Double Oxford; Thelwall and Pinehurst; Fulbeck; Plain and Double Bob).

- *1 Allan R. Strickland
- *2 P. Donald Naylor
- 3 Shirley M. Drew
- *4 Anita D. O'Brien
- 5 Anthony R. Peake (Conductor)
- 6 Geoffrey R. Drew

*First of Minor. †First in 15 methods.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**EARDISLAND, Herefordshire, St. Mary the Virgin.**

Sat., Sept. 12, 1970, 2hr. 55min. (12 cwt.)
5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR (4 methods: 1440 Yorkshire, 1280 Cambridge and Lincolnshire, 1120 Rutland, 69 changes of method and all the work).

Composed by P. G. K. Davies.

- 1 Valerie M. Edge
- *2 Leslie Evans
- *3 Michael V. Powell
- *4 Frederick R. Harris
- *5 F. John Keddie
- 6 Peter J. Wycherley
- 7 Norman R. Mattingley
- *8 Marcus C. W. Sherwood (Conductor)

*First of 4-Spliced S. Major. †First of Spliced S. Major.

EASTNOR, Herefordshire, St. John the Baptist.

Tues., Sept. 8, 1970, 2hr. 38min. (9 cwt.)

5040 MINOR (7 extents in 21 methods: Cambridge, Beverley, Surfleet S.; Oxford and Kent T.B.; Oxford Bob, Nicholaston, Wight; St. Clements, Childwall, Buxton, Double Oxford, Thelwall, Pinehurst; St. Nicholas, Heatherslade, Gower; Double Oxford, Winchester, Andover; Plain Bob).

- 1 Janet M. Aston
- 2 Margaret L. Ellwood
- 3 Reginald G. Powell
- 4 Norman R. Mattingley
- 5 Michael V. Powell
- 6 Marcus C. W. Sherwood (Conductor)

Most Minor methods for all. A compliment to Claudia A. Sherwood on her G.C.E. successes.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**MELDRETH, Cambs, Holy Trinity.**

Fri., Aug. 21, 1970, 2hr. 43min. (11 cwt.)

5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Roger Baldwin.

- 1 Geoffrey T. Horriitt
- *2 Christine M. Carter
- 3 Anthony H. Smith
- 4 Martin Major
- 5 Alan M. Barber (Conductor)
- 6 Anthony R. Carter
- 7 David R. Saunderson
- 8 Jack S. Dear

*First of London Major.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**HAWLEY, Hants, Holy Trinity.**

Sat., Sept. 19, 1970, 2hr. 47min. (16½ cwt.)

Composed by John Pladdys.

5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

- 1 E. Marion Key
- 2 Elizabeth J. Gibbs
- 3 James Hedgcock
- 4 Tony Skilton
- 5 Barnabas G. Key
- 6 Peter J. Heritage
- 7 Alan D. Flood
- 8 John Pladdys (Conductor)

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**LYMPNE, Kent, St. Stephen.**

Wed., Aug. 26, 1970, 2hr. 37min. (11½ cwt.)

5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR (7 extents).

- 1 Robert P. Brotherston
- 2 Elizabeth A. Todd
- 3 Michael J. Taylor
- 4 Richard A. Birch
- 5 Brian G. Butcher
- 6 Colin J. E. Wyld (Conductor)

First on the bells since restoration. A compliment to Mr. Rowland Harman on retirement as a ringier and churchwarden for 39 years.

ROTHERFIELD, Sussex, St. Denys.

Sat., Sept. 12, 1970, 3hr. 18min. (23½ cwt.)

5184 DITCHLING SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Stanley Jenner.

- 1 Margaret E. Oram
- 2 Edward F. P. Bryant (Conductor)
- 3 David C. Brookes
- 4 David Featherstone
- 5 Lawrence T. Pope
- 6 Walter H. Dobbie
- 7 Ian H. Oram
- 8 Stanley Jenner.

First in the method by all and for the association. Wedding compliment to Josephine K. Moody and David B. Heseltine, married immediately prior to the peal.

HEADCORN, Kent, SS. Peter and Paul.

Sat., Sept. 12, 1970, 3hr. 6min. (21 cwt.)

5040 DOUBLES (720 each: St. Nicholas, Winchendon Place, Rev. Canterbury, Plain Bob, St. Simon, St. Martin and Grandsire).

- *1 Jane Churchill (13)
- *2 David Taylor (15)
- †3 R. Jean Vidler
- †4 Roger Sutehall
- *5 Nigel C. Sheppard (15, Conductor)
- *6 Ron Millidine

*First attempt. †First away from treble.

†First of Doubles. A sponsored peal which raised £65 for church funds.

CITY OF LONDON, St. Lawrence, Jewry.

Sun., Sept. 20, 1970, 3hr. 4min. (25 cwt.)

5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

(Heywood's transposition.)

- *1 James Hedge
- 2 John Pladdys
- 3 Keith G. Game
- 4 Tony Skilton
- 5 Ronald K. Russ
- 6 Michael J. Fellows
- 7 Barnabas G. Key (Conductor)
- 8 Martyn W. Harbott

*First of Stedman Triples.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**EVERTON, Lancs, Emmanuel.**

Mon., Aug. 31, 1970, 2hr. 46min. (8½ cwt.)

5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Composed by John Carter.

- *1 David G. V. Ellison
- 2 Jack N. Brown
- 3 James Dunbavin
- 4 James Hedgcock
- 5 Nigel P. A. Goulding
- 6 Graham K. Austin
- 7 Thomas W. Hesketh
- 8 John R. Ridley (Conductor)

*First of Major.

BARBON, Westmorland, St. Bartholomew.

Sat., Sept. 5, 1970, 2hr. 47min. (7½ cwt.)

5040 SINGLE COURT BOB MINIMUS

- 1 Alan Capstick
- *2 Doreen Maclean
- 3 Kevin M. Price (Conductor)
- †4 Hilary J. Atkinson

*First inside. †First in method.

LECK, Lancs, St. Peter.

Sun., Sept. 6, 1970, 2hr. 47min. (12½ cwt.)

5040 DOUBLES (7 methods: 6 extents New Grandsire, Plain Bob, St. Martin, Single Oxford, Rev. Canterbury Pleasure, St. Simon and Grandsire).

- 1 Hugh F. Pettifer
- 2 David G. Kealey
- 3 Alan Capstick
- 4 Colin F. Gates
- 5 Kevin M. Price (Conductor)

First in seven Doubles methods by all.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**MARKET HARBOROUGH, Leics, St. Dionysius.**

Sun., Aug. 30, 1970, 2hr. 50min. (18½ cwt.)

5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Composed by York Green. (C.C.C. No. 100.)

- 1 Edward Cowd
- 2 Arthur Rowley
- 3 Philip Charlesworth
- 4 Harold J. Hazell (Conductor)
- 5 Raymond Martin
- 6 David W. Bee
- 7 Guy Slater
- 8 Bernard S. Payne

First on eight as conductor.

LEICESTER, St. John the Divine.

Sat., Aug. 15, 1970, 3hr. 26min. (21 cwt.)

5079 STEDMAN CATERERS

Composed by R. A. G. Inglis.

- 1 Keith G. Game
- 2 Alan D. Flood
- 3 Peter J. Heritage
- 4 Jennifer A. Dunning
- *5 Tony Skilton
- 6 John Pladdys
- 7 B. Stedman Payne
- 8 Clive M. Smith
- 9 Richard A. G. Inglis (Conductor)
- 10 James Hedgcock

*50th peal and first in the method.

GLENN MAGNA, Leicester, St. Cuthbert.

Sat., Aug. 29, 1970, 2hr. 36min. (9 cwt.)

5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

- 1 Arthur Rowley
- 2 Harold J. Hazell
- 3 David W. Bee
- 4 Raymond Martin
- 5 Philip Charlesworth
- 6 Guy Slater (Conductor)

First on the bells since rehanging. First of Minor as conductor.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leics, Bell Foundry.

Tues., Sept. 15, 1970, 2hr. 23min. (6½ cwt.)

5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

(Parker's 12-part, 7th observation.)

- 1 Richard J. Clifton
- 2 B. Stedman Payne (Conductor)
- 3 Arthur E. Rowley
- 4 Ronald D. Hughes
- 5 Roger N. Scholes
- 6 Kenneth Burdett
- 7 Alec R. Jones
- 8 G. Ronald Edwards

LEICESTER, St. John the Divine.

Sat., Sept. 19, 1970, 3hr. 23min. (21 cwt.)

5040 SURPRISE ROYAL

(75 methods: 120 each of Abergavenny, Abingdon, Albanian, Bedminster, Chepstow, Haslemere, Horfield, Leek, Metropolitan, Poole, Pudsey, Rutland, Stapleton, Swindon, and 80 each of Aldenham, Begrave, Cambridge, Diseworth, Enniskillen, Evercreech, Feltham, Gosforth, Inveraray, Langley, Lincolnshire, London No. 3, Marsden, Oakham, Ossett, Pontefract, Shrewsbury, Staffordshire, Sunderland, Wallington, Wroughton, York, Yorkshire, and 40 each of Appleton, Avebury, Banbury, Bedford, Bishopsworth, Bratton, Charmouth, Cherhill, Clifton, Cobham, Devizes, Edington, Fishponds, Grantham, Kegworth, Kennett, Lindsey, London No. 1, Luton, Merrywood, Minal, Minehead, New Durham, Osgathorpe, Rammoor, Redcliffe, Ridgeway, Rochester, Sarum, Silbury, Stone, Superlative No. 1, Superlative No. 2, Vintry, Warwickshire, Wembley, Winchester, Yeovil; with 125 changes of method).

Composed by Anthony R. Peake.

- 1 David F. Moore
- 2 Roger Baldwin
- 3 Timothy G. Pett
- 4 James R. Taylor
- 5 Brian Bladon
- 6 John R. Mayne
- 7 John H. Fielden
- 8 Anthony R. Peake (Conductor)
- 9 D. John Hunt
- 10 Noel J. Diserens

The greatest number of Royal methods yet rung to a peal.

For new methods see page 808.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leics, Bell Foundry.

Fri., Sept. 18, 1970, 2hr. 29min. (6½ cwt.)

5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

- 1 E. Guy Slater
- 2 Ronald D. Hughes
- 3 Hazel J. Nichols
- 4 Clive J. Mobbs
- 5 G. Ronald Edwards
- 6 B. Stedman Payne (Conductor)

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

Mon., Aug. 31, 1970, 2hr. 43min. (7½ cwt.)

5040 SPLICED MINOR

(20 methods: Double Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Reverse, Fulbeck, College, Wavertree, St. Clements, Childwall, Norfolk S., Ipswich S., Cambridge S., Primrose S., Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., Lytham, Thelwall, London Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, Single Court; with 153 changes of method).

- 1 Harold Judd
- 2 William Bains
- 3 Melvyn A. Rose
- 4 Roger Hippisley
- 5 Richard Hall
- 6 John G. Hall (Conductor)

Most methods by all.

WALESBY, Lincs, All Saints.

Sun., Sept. 13, 1970, 2hr. 42min. (12½ cwt.)

5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

(Washbrook's var. of T. Thurstans' 4-part.)

- *1 Christine Molendo
- 2 Peter A. Sharp
- 3 Kathleen Fox
- 4 M. Ian Minns
- 5 Susan E. Smith
- 6 John S. Croft
- 7 Jack L. Millhouse (Conductor)
- 8 Geoffrey R. Parker

*First on eight and first of Stedman.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**BEDWELLYT, Mon, St. Sannan.**

Mon., Sept. 14, 1970, 2hr. 46min. (14 cwt.)

5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

(Johnson's variation.)

- 1 Tudor P. Edwards
- 2 Mary E. Pryor
- *3 R. Mark Esbester
- *4 Nevil A. James
- 5 Nicholas W. H. Simon
- 6 Paul A. Williams
- 7 Peter S. Bennett (Conductor)
- 8 Stephen Fenwick

*First of Surprise inside.

ST. BRIDE'S MAJOR, Glam, St. Bridget.

Sat., Sept. 19, 1970, 2hr. 46min. (11 cwt.)

5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

(1 240, 40 extents.)

- 1 Michael J. Clarke
- *2 David Bounds
- 3 William T. Petty (Conductor)
- 4 H. Donald Bryant
- 5 Raymond J. Mayle
- †6 Bernard V. Thurman

*First inside. †First peal.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD**HARROW WEALD, Middlesex, All Saints.**

Thur., Sept. 10, 1970, 2hr. 43min. (7½ cwt.)

5024 KINGSBURY SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by John R. Mayne.

- 1 Dorothea M. Robotham
- 2 Elsie K. Hart
- 3 Frank Reed
- 4 Claudia A. Critchley
- 5 H. George Hart
- 6 David Redfearn
- 7 Brian S. Watson
- 8 G. William Critchley (Conductor)

First in the method by all. For the centenary of the birth of William Pye.

WILLESDEN, Middlesex, St. Mary.

Thur., Sept. 17, 1970, 2hr. 37min. (9½ cwt.)

5056 WORTHING SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by A. G. Driver.

- 1 G. William Critchley (Conductor)
- 2 Joan Beresford
- 3 Claudia A. Critchley
- 4 Alick Cutler
- 5 Ruth M. Foreman
- 6 Brian S. Watson
- 7 Frank Reed
- 8 Thomas J. Lock

First in the method by all.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**BUNWELL, Norfolk, St. Michael and All Angels.**

Wed., Sept. 9, 1970, 2hr. 42min. (10 cwt.)

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

- 1 Henry Tooke
- *2 Martin R. Kitson
- 3 Miss Adrial Walton
- 4 Thomas E. Spight
- 5 Frank C. J. Arnold
- 6 H. William Barrett (Conductor)

*First in seven methods. A 15th birthday compliment to Adrial Walton.

CASTLE ACRE, Norfolk, St. James.

Wed., Sept. 9, 1970, 2hr. 40min. (10½ cwt.)

5040 MINOR (2 Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob).

- *1 Walter Curston
- 2 Owen A. Needham
- 3 Leslie W. Houghton
- 4 Walter Houghton
- 5 Norman V. Harding
- 6 H. William Barrett (Conductor)

*First peal since 1926. To welcome the Rev. C. E. Scott to the parish on his retirement. (His son-in-law, Rev. J. H. Bloom, is rector.)

SCOLE, Norfolk, St. Andrew.

Sat., Sept. 19, 1970, 2hr. 23min. (4 cwt.)

5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

(1 2160 and 4 extents.)

- 1 Norman P. J. Cossey
- 2 J. Barry Pickup
- 3 Thomas J. Brock
- 4 Anne Corney
- 5 Michael J. Parker
- 6 Winston S. Girling (Conductor)

TOWER CLOCKS

NEW INSTALLATIONS OF ALL TYPES
REPAIRS AND CONVERSIONS OF
HAND WOUND TO ELECTRIC WINDING

GILLETT & JOHNSTON (CROYDON) LTD.

REDSAN WORKS, 28 SANDERSTEAD
ROAD, SOUTH CROYDON, CR2 0PA
Tel.: 01-686 2694 and 01-688 0851
Cables: "Gillico", Croydon

and at:
67 CHURCH ROAD,
CROYDON, SURREY, CR0 1SH
Tel.: 01-686 5207

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**NETTLEBED, Oxon, St. Bartholomew.**

Fri., Sept. 11, 1970, 2hr. 45min. (7 cwt.)
5040 MINOR (Oxford T.B., Kent T.B.,
 Cambridge S., Double Oxford, Oxford Bob,
 St. Clements, Plain Bob).

- 1 Alan R. Pink
- 2 Leonard Stilwell
- 3 William Birmingham
- 4 Michael Hatchett
- 5 William Butler (Conductor)
- 6 Philip H. Tocock

60th birthday compliment: W. Birmingham.

**BOYNE HILL, Maidenhead, Berkshire,
 All Saints.**

Sat., Sept. 12, 1970, 3hr. 2min. (17 cwt.)

5056 WYCHWOOD SURPRISE MAJOR
 Composed by Arthur Knights.

- *1 Leonard Stilwell
- 2 Alan R. Pink (Conductor)
- 3 William Birmingham
- *4 Ronald K. Russ
- 5 Michael Hatchett
- *6 William Butler
- *7 Wilfrid G. Wilson
- *8 J. Keith Ward

*First in the method. With congratulations
 to William Birmingham and Wilfrid Wilson
 on attaining their 60th birthdays.

ADDERBURY, Oxon, St. Mary the Virgin.

Sat., Sept. 19, 1970, 2hr. 55min. (24 cwt.)

5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

(Parker's 12-part, 7th observation.)

- 1 Diana Reeves
- 2 Pamela E. Powell
- 3 Jean Davis
- 4 Michael W. Coleman
- 5 John Carter
- 6 Robert A. Reeves
- 7 Edward R. Venn (Conductor)
- 8 Barry J. Davis

A wedding compliment to Christopher
 Holmes and Charlotte Bennett.

LONG CRENDON, Bucks, St. Mary.

Sat., Sept. 19, 1970, 3hr. 14min. (19½ cwt.)

5088 OMEGA SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Murray A. Coleman.

- *1 Adrian D. Tyler
- 2 Rosamund M. Brown
- 3 Ronald K. Russ
- 4 Alan R. Pink (Conductor)
- 5 Michael Hatchett
- 6 Edgar J. Smith
- 7 William Birmingham
- 8 Philip H. Tocock

*First of Major. First in the method by
 all and for the guild. To welcome the Rev.
 S. Young as vicar.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD

BRAUNSTON, Rutland, All Saints.

Sat., Sept. 12, 1970, 2hr. 47min. (10½ cwt.)

5040 MINOR (3 Plain Bob, 1 each Ox-
 ford T.B., St. Clements, Double Oxford and
 Kent T.B.).

- 1 Richard J. Chantler
- *2 Peggy E. Jennings
- †3 J. Alan Ellis
- 4 Roger N. Scholes
- 5 Lionel Atton
- 6 Christopher J. Groome (Conductor)

*First attempt. †Most Minor methods. A
 thanksgiving for the recovery of Herbert
 Atton from his recent illness.

EASTON NESTON, Northants, St. Mary.

Fri., Sept. 11, 1970, 2hr. 40min. (10 cwt.)

5088 JERSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Richard F. B. Speed.

- 1 Julian C. Parker
- 2 Bridget Paul
- 3 Graham C. Paul (Conductor)
- 4 Shirley E. Ruddlesden
- 5 Raymond A. Vickers
- 6 Stanley M. Ruddlesden
- 7 Alan A. Paul
- 8 Barry E. Saunders

First in the method for all. To mark the
 wedding of the ringers of 2 and 3, which
 took place at Harpole on August 8, 1970.

LEICESTER, St. John.

Sat., Sept. 19, 1970, 5hr. 55min. (18½ cwt.)

9960 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

(Beddington version.)

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

- 1 Patrick I. Chapman
- 2 Graham C. Paul (Conductor)
- 3 Barry E. Saunders
- 4 Roger W. Smith
- 5 Alan J. Frost
- 6 David J. Marshall
- *7 Murray A. Coleman
- 8 Alan A. Paul
- 9 Stephen Ivin
- 10 Peter Border

*First of London Royal. The longest peal
 in the method.

**NETHER HEYFORD, Northants, SS. Peter
 and Paul.**

Sun., Sept. 20, 1970, 2hr. 38min. (8 cwt.)

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

- 1 William Collins
- *2 Malcolm J. V. Chown
- 3 Edward C. Garratt
- 4 John S. W. Townley
- 5 Stanley F. Webb
- 6 Barrie Hendry (Conductor)

*150th for the guild. To welcome Jonathan
 Idris Chown, born September 14, 1970.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

**TWEEKSBURY, Glos, Abbey Church of
 St. Mary the Virgin.**

Sat., Sept. 19, 1970, 3hr. 31min. (27½ cwt.)

5042 CAMBRIDGE S. MAXIMUS

Composed by Roderick W. Pipe.

- 1 Mary E. Elmes
- 2 Katharine J. Maundrell
- 3 Rev. Roger Keeley
- 4 William T. Perrins
- *5 Robert E. J. Dennis
- †6 Melvyn J. Hiller
- 7 Graham W. Elmes
- 8 John N. Longridge
- 9 Frank D. Mack
- ‡10 Richard A. G. Inglis
- 11 Frederick E. Collins
- 12 Timothy F. Collins (Conductor)

*50th on 12. †First of S. Maximus and
 completes the Cambridge family. ‡75th on
 12. First of S. Maximus as conductor.
 A birthday compliment to Frederick E.
 Collins.

**EAST COKER, Som, St. Michael and
 All Angels.**

Tues., Sept. 15, 1970, 2hr. 51min. (13 cwt.)

5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Timothy F. Collins.

- *1 Christopher J. Cull
- †2 Ruth A. Blackwood
- 3 Mary E. Elmes
- 4 David L. Cull
- 5 John W. Blackwood
- 6 Melvyn J. Hiller
- 7 Graham W. Elmes
- 8 Timothy F. Collins (Conductor)

*First on eight. †First of Surprise Major
 inside.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND
YOUTHS**

SHOREDITCH, London, E, St. Leonard.

Thur., Sept. 3, 1970, 2hr. 53min. (28½ cwt.)

5024 PORTISHEAD SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Stephen J. Ivin.

- 1 R. Jean Henderson
- 2 Joan Beresford
- 3 Angela M. Wright
- 4 John R. Pratchett
- 5 Michael H. D. O'Callaghan
- 6 Derek E. Sibson (Conductor)
- 7 John S. Barnes
- 8 Frank T. Blagrove

First peal in the method. C.C.C. 31 C.
 Composition of Yorkshire published in The
 Ringing World of November 25th, 1955.

SUFFOLK GUILD

GREAT THURLOW, Suffolk, All Saints.

Sat., Aug. 29, 1970, 2hr. 42min. (12 cwt.)

5040 MINOR (4 methods: Cambridge Sur-
 prise, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., Plain Bob).

- 1 Jennifer M. Whittell
- 2 Georgina C. M. Carter
- 3 Peter R. Mayle
- 4 David J. H. Barber
- 4 Alan M. Barber (Conductor)
- 6 Neville F. Whittell

ASHBOCKING, Suffolk, All Saints.

Sat., Sept. 12, 1970, 2hr. 42min. (10½ cwt.)

5040 MINOR (7 methods: Double Oxford,
 Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., Single Oxford, St.
 Clements, Rev. Canterbury, Plain Bob).

- 1 Georgina C. M. Carter
- 2 Alan M. Barber (Conductor)
- 3 Neville F. Whittell
- 4 Jennifer M. Whittell
- 5 David J. H. Barber
- 6 Roy W. Lockwood

**TUDDENHAM ST. MARTIN, Suffolk,
 St. Martin.**

Sat., Sept. 12, 1970, 2hr. 36min. (7 cwt.)

5040 MINOR (Double Oxford, Single Ox-
 ford, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., Cambridge
 S., St. Clements, Plain Bob).

- 1 W. Keith Whittell
- 2 Neville F. Whittell
- 3 Jennifer M. Whittell
- 4 Georgina C. M. Carter
- 5 David J. H. Barber
- 6 Alan M. Barber (Conductor)

CHAS. H. POTTS & Co. Ltd.

Marshall Mills, Leeds II

for NEW TOWER CLOCKS

OVERHAULS and AUTOMATIC

WINDING Phone Leeds 24081

HARTEST, Suffolk, All Saints.

Sat., Aug. 29, 1970, 2hr. 33min. (10 cwt.)
5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
 (1 2160 and 4 extents.)

- 1 John A. Mayle
- 2 Georgina C. M. Carter
- 3 David J. H. Barber
- 4 Jennifer M. Whittell
- 5 Neville F. Whittell
- 6 Alan M. Barber (Conductor)

STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY

PENKRIDGE, Staffs, St. Michael and All Angels.

Sat., Sept. 12, 1970, 3hr. 4min. (16 cwt.)
5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

- Composed by J. R. Pritchard.
- 1 Stanley Illidge
 - 2 Gerald Bowen
 - 3 Barnabas G. Key (Conductor)
 - 4 Charles F. W. Eyre
 - 5 Phillip H. Johnson
 - *6 Michael G. Williamson
 - 7 David Hawksworth
 - 8 Ian Friend

*First Bob Major. 21st birthday compliment to Elaine Beardsmore.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

FELPHAM, Sussex, St. Mary.

Thur., Sept. 3, 1970, 2hr. 43min. (11½ cwt.)
5040 MINOR (Cambridge, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Double Oxford, St. Clements, Single Oxford and Plain Bob).

- *1 Jonathan Franklin
- 2 Susan M. Wills
- 3 Ernest Treagus
- 4 Patrick M. Wills
- 5 Philip Stevens
- 6 Robert Wake (Conductor)

*First peal. Wedding compliment to Michael J. Wake and Patricia Clark.

TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD

ST. MINVER, Cornwall, St. Menefrida.

Sat., Sept. 12, 1970, 2hr. 41min. (8½ cwt.)
5040 GRANDSIDE DOUBLES
 (10 6-scores and 16 12-scores.)

- 1 Timothy J. Bell (Conductor)
- 2 Janet S. Evans
- 3 H. Gay J. Meyrick
- 4 T. Neil Hitchens
- 5 Anthony J. Davidson
- 6 F. Malcolm Bowers

With the best wishes of the rest of the band to Gay Meyrick and Neil Hitchens on the occasion of their engagement.

UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY

EVERCREECH, Somerset, St. Peter.

Sat., Sept. 12, 1970, 3hr. 14min. (21 cwt.)
5040 PUDSEY SURPRISE ROYAL
 (Traditional composition.)

- *1 Gordon H. Baldam
- 2 Hilary Muirhead
- 3 Heather A. Kippin
- 4 Tudor P. Edwards
- 5 Anthony J. Cox
- 6 Jonathan G. Rose
- 7 Edward G. Mould
- 8 Peter C. Randall
- 9 Nicholas W. H. Simon (Conductor)
- 10 Brian J. Wylde

*First of Surprise and on ten. 100th tower bell peal as conductor. First in the method for the society.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

BASINGSTOKE, Hants, St. Michael.

Sat., Sept. 5, 1970, 2hr. 52min. (14½ cwt.)

5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

- 1 Christopher I. Rowson
- 2 Helen M. Diserens
- *3 John P. Colliss
- 4 Raymond E. Finch
- *5 Howard E. J. Smith
- 6 Gordon Benfield
- 7 Bernard F. L. Groves (Conductor)
- 8 John R. Pratchett

*First in the method.

PORTSMOUTH, Hants, St. Mary, Portsea.

Sat., Sept. 19, 1970, 2hr. 53min. (17 cwt.)

5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Composed by F. E. W. Meadows.

- 1 John H. Hunt (Conductor)
- 2 Cynthia F. M. Rolph
- 3 Susan M. Wills
- 4 Ruth E. Halford
- 5 William F. J. Cope
- 6 Albert F. W. Burbidge
- 7 Patrick M. Wills
- 8 John F. A. Rolph

A welcome to Rev. K. H. Gibbons, inducted on September 13, 1970.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

GT. COMBERTON, Worcs, St. Michael.

Wed., Sept. 16, 1970, 2hr. 31min. (8 cwt.)

5940 MINOR (3 Kent T.B., 4 Plain Bob).

- 1 Roger H. Hunt
- *2 Tony Freeman
- 3 Christopher Pickford
- †4 Shirley M. Drew
- 5 Geoffrey R. Drew (Conductor)
- †6 Christopher Hims

*First Minor. † 25th together.

Handbells

CUMBERLAND & NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION

SCAWFELL PIKE (3,210ft.), Cumberland.

In the summit wall shelter of the highest mountain in England. Rung at 4 a.m. onwards.

Sun., Sept. 13, 1970, 2hr. 6min. (15 in C.)

5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

- 1-2 David G. Kealey
- 3-4 Kevin M. Price (Conductor)
- 5-6 Colin F. Gates

Umpire: Douglas T. Sim.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

KINGSTONE, Herefordshire, Blackthorn.

Tues., Sept. 8, 1970, 3hr. (14 in D.)

5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Composed by M. C. W. Sherwood.

- *1-2 Elizabeth Wycherley
- †3-4 Peter J. Wycherley
- †5-6 Norman R. Mattingley
- †7-8 Margaret L. Ellwood
- §9-10 Marcus C. W. Sherwood (Cond.)

*First 10-bell peal. †First 10-bell peal in hand. §10th peal. §100th for the guild. First 10-bell peal in hand for the guild.

KINGSTONE, Herefordshire, Blackthorn.

Thur., Sept. 10, 1970, 2hr. 51min. (14 in D.)

5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Composed by M. C. W. Sherwood.

- 1-2 Elizabeth Wycherley
- 3-4 Peter J. Wycherley
- 5-6 Norman R. Mattingley
- 7-8 Margaret L. Ellwood
- 9-10 Marcus C. W. Sherwood (Cond.)

25th as conductor on handbells.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

SCAWFELL PIKE (3,210ft.), Cumberland.

The highest mountain in England. In the summit wall shelter. A midnight peal.

Sat./Sun., Sept. 12/13, 1970, 2hr. 8min. (15 in C.)

5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

- 1-2 David G. Kealey
- 3-4 Kevin M. Price (Conductor)
- 5-6 Colin F. Gates

Umpire: Douglas T. Sim.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

COX GREEN, Maidenhead, Berkshire, 80 Lambourne Drive.

Thur., July 16, 1970, 2hr. 44min. (16 in B.)

5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS

- *1-2 Jennifer A. Dunning
- 3-4 Keith J. Walpole
- 5-6 Christopher I. Rowson (Conductor)
- 7-8 N. David Lane
- 9-10 Bernard F. L. Groves
- *11-12 Robert H. Newton

*First handbell peal of Maximus.

COX GREEN, Maidenhead, Berkshire, 80 Lambourne Drive.

Wed., Aug. 26, 1970, 2hr. 38min. (15 in C.)

5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

- *1-2 Jennifer A. Dunning
- *3-4 Christopher I. Rowson (Conductor)
- 5-6 Bernard F. L. Groves
- *7-8 Noel J. Diserens
- *†9-10 Frank C. Price

*First handbell peal of Cambridge Royal. †Completes Cambridge, Minor to Maximus, on handbells. First handbell peal of Cambridge Royal for the guild.

CROWTHORNE, Berkshire, Zermatt, Butler Lane.

Sun., Sept. 6, 1970, 3hr. 7min. (20 in E.)

5040 KENT TREBLE BOB FOURTEEN
 (Traditional.)

- 1-2 Frank C. Price
- *3-4 David F. Moore
- 5-6 Christopher I. Rowson (Conductor)
- 7-8 Martyn L. J. Jordan
- 9-10 Bernard F. L. Groves
- 11-12 Noel J. Diserens
- 13-14 N. David Lane

*First on 14 bells. Rung after meeting short.

LONDON, The Belfry, St. Olave's, Hart St.

Wed., Sept. 9, 1970, 2hr. 14min. (13 in E.)

5152 SUPERLATIVE S. MAJOR
 (R.W., 1970, page 648.)

- *1-2 Robert H. Newton
- 3-4 Jennifer A. Dunning
- 5-6 Christopher I. Rowson (Conductor)
- *7-8 Keith J. Walpole

*First handbell peal in the method.

**CLAPHAM COMMON, London, S.W.,
60 Northside.**

Mon., Sept. 14, 1970, 2hr. 21min. (13 in E.)
5600 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
 (Middleton's.)

- 1-2 Jennifer A. Dunning
- 3-4 Christopher I. Rowson (Conductor)
- 5-6 Keith J. Walpole
- *7-8 Robert H. Newton

*First handbell peal in the method.

**COX GREEN, Maidenhead, Berkshire,
80 Lambourne Drive.**

Wed., Sept. 16, 1970, 2hr. 30min. (13 in E.)
5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Composed by Roger Baldwin.

- 1-2 Jennifer A. Dunning
- 3-4 Christopher I. Rowson
- 5-6 Bernard F. L. Groves (Conductor)
- 7-8 Noel J. Diserens
- *9-10 Keith J. Walpole

*First of Surprise Royal inside. First of
 Cambridge Surprise Royal as conductor.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

**SYSTON, Leics, In the belfry of SS. Peter
 and Paul.**

Tues., Sept. 1, 1970, 1hr. 43min. (14 in D.)
5040 MINOR (1 Oxford Bob, 6 Plain Bob).

- 1-2 Mary C. Poyner
- 3-4 Bernard S. Payne
- 5-6 Harry Poyner (Conductor)

John Ketteringham's Lancashire Tour**ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, Lancs,
 St. Michael and All Angels.**

Sat., Aug. 22, 1970, 3hr. 22min. (25½ cwt.)

5042 YORKSHIRE S. MAXIMUS

Arranged by P. Border.

- 1 Timothy Wylie
- 2 John R. Ketteringham
- 3 James E. Andrews
- 4 Geoffrey Bridges
- 5 Alan D. Flood
- 6 C. Kenneth Lewis
- 7 Keith J. Walpole (Conductor)
- 8 Christopher Forster
- 9 Basil Jones
- 10 Derek Butterworth
- 11 Jeffrey Brannan
- 12 J. Barry Pickup

WORSLEY, Lancs, St. Mark.

Sun., Aug. 23, 1970, 3hr. 4min. (24 cwt.)

5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by J. R. Ketteringham.

- 1 James E. Andrews
- 2 Alan Flood
- 3 John R. Ketteringham
- 4 Timothy Wylie
- 5 John Illingworth
- 6 Christopher Forster
- 7 Keith J. Walpole (Conductor)
- 8 Geoffrey Fothergill
- 9 Geoffrey Bridges
- 10 Jeffrey Brannan

DEANE, Lancs, St. Mary.

Mon., Aug. 24, 1970, 2hr. 49min. (12½ cwt.)

5376 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by G. B. Thompson.

- 1 John R. Ketteringham
- 2 Geoffrey Fothergill
- 3 James E. Andrews
- 4 Alan H. Long
- 5 Timothy Wylie
- 6 Arthur Hall
- 7 Keith J. Walpole
- 8 Geoffrey Bridges (Conductor)

ADLINGTON, Lancs, St. Paul.

Wed., Aug. 26, 1970, 2hr. 44min. (13½ cwt.)

5024 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR (8
 methods: 640 each Bristol, Pudsey, Rut-
 land, Superlative, Yorkshire, and 608 each
 Cambridge, Lincolnshire, London, with 120
 changes of method and all the work).

Composed by N. J. Diserens.

- 1 John R. Ketteringham
- 2 James E. Andrews
- 3 Alan D. Flood
- 4 Timothy Wylie
- 5 Geoffrey Fothergill
- 6 Geoffrey Bridges
- 7 Keith J. Walpole
- 8 Christopher Forster (Conductor)

**FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY,
 Lancs, St. John the Evangelist.**

Thur., Aug. 27, 1970, 2hr. 47min. (12½ cwt.)

5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR (5
 methods: 1216 Cambridge, 1120 Rutland,
 1056 Lincolnshire, 864 each Superlative and
 Yorkshire, with 85 changes of method and
 all the work).

Composed by P. G. K. Davies

- 1 Arthur F. Hall
- 2 Christopher Forster (Conductor)
- 3 Alan H. Long
- 4 Geoffrey Fothergill
- 5 Timothy Wylie
- 6 Alan D. Flood
- 7 James E. Andrews
- 8 Keith J. Walpole

BOLTON, Lancs, Debroyd, 4 Westgate Av.

Thur., Aug. 27, 1970, 2hr. 11min. (25 in C.)

5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Composed by J. R. Pritchard.

- 1-2 Timothy Wylie
- 3-4 Geoffrey Bridges
- 5-6 Keith J. Walpole (Conductor)
- 7-8 John R. Ketteringham

PENWORTHAM, Lancs, St. Mary.

Fri., Aug. 28, 1970, 2hr. 37min. (8½ cwt.)

5184 EASINGWOLD SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by C. Forster.

- 1 John R. Ketteringham
- 2 Christopher Forster
- 3 Geoffrey Fothergill
- 4 Timothy Wylie
- 5 Alan D. Flood
- 6 Geoffrey Bridges
- 7 Keith J. Walpole (Conductor)
- 8 James E. Andrews

HOGHTON, Lancs, Holy Trinity.

Fri., Aug. 28, 1970, 2hr. 56min. (13 cwt.)

5184 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by C. Forster.

- 1 John R. Ketteringham
- 2 Alan H. Long
- 3 Arthur F. Hall
- 4 Christopher Forster (Conductor)
- 5 Timothy Wylie
- 6 Geoffrey Bridges
- 7 Alan D. Flood
- 8 Keith J. Walpole

BOLTON, Lancs, The Saviour.

Sat., Aug. 29, 1970, 3hr. 13min. (20½ cwt.)

5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by C. P. Starbuck.

- 1 Thomas W. Smith
- 2 Keith J. Walpole
- 3 Christopher Forster
- 4 Alan D. Flood
- 5 John R. Ketteringham (Conductor)
- 6 James E. Andrews
- 7 Geoffrey Bridges
- 8 Geoffrey Fothergill

NEWCHURCH, Culcheth, Lancs.

Sat., Aug. 29, 1970, 2hr. 45min. (12 cwt.)

5152 LINCOLNSHIRE S. MAJOR

Composed by S. Humphrey.

- 1 Alan D. Flood
- 2 Keith J. Walpole
- 3 Johi R. Ketteringham (Conductor)
- 4 Peter G. Bellamy-Knights
- 5 John Illingworth
- 6 Christopher Forster
- 7 Geoffrey Fothergill
- 8 Geoffrey Bridges

HYDE, Cheshire, St. George.

Mon., Aug. 31, 1970, 2hr. 54min. (18 cwt.)

5056 ALDWICKBURY D. MAJOR

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

(Wratten No. 30.)

- 1 Neil T. E. Burnett
- 2 Geoffrey Bridges
- 3 John R. Ketteringham
- 4 Peter G. Bellamy-Knights
- 5 James E. Andrews
- 6 Geoffrey Fothergill
- 7 Keith J. Walpole (Conductor)
- 8 Christopher Forster

First peal in the method.

ALDWICKBURY DELIGHT MAJOR

—38—14—1258—16—14—18—14—78.

B b d k o.

A Week on the Isle of Wight**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**

BRIGHTSTONE, I.O.W., St. Mary.

Mon., Sept. 7, 1970, 2hr. 28min. (7½ cwt.)

5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR (7 extents).

- 1 John R. Southey
- *2 Anne E. Thompson
- 3 Maurice W. Thompson
- 4 Barry R. M. Johnson
- 5 Steven D. Chandler
- 6 Andrew C. D. Mayes (Conductor)

*First of Minor. Bon voyage to Mr. and
 Mrs. Christopher Woolley, leaving for a
 stay in Australia.

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH
DIOCESAN GUILD**

ARRETON, I.O.W., St. George.

Thur., Sept. 10, 1970, 2hr. 39min. (8 cwt.)

5040 MINOR (2 Cambridge Surprise, 1 each
 London Surprise, Kent T.B., Single Oxford,
 St. Clements and Plain Bob).

- 1 Anne E. Thompson
- 2 Andrew C. D. Mayes
- 3 Barry R. M. Johnson
- 4 Steven D. Chandler
- 5 John R. Southey
- 6 Stephen J. Crawley (Conductor)

GODSHILL, I.O.W., All Saints.

Fri., Sept. 11, 1970, 2hr. 46min. (8½ cwt.)

5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

(7 extents.)

- 1 Andrew C. D. Mayes
- 2 Anne E. Thompson
- 3 Steven D. Chandler
- 4 Stephen J. Crawley
- 5 John R. Southey
- 6 Barry R. M. Johnson (Conductor)

First of Surprise as conductor.

The trouble is that charity too often not
 only begins, but also ends, at home.

—Anonymous.

J. K. & CO. IN LANCASHIRE

The advance party of the John Ketteringham tour arrived in Liverpool on the evening of Aug. 21 and were able to listen to the peal in the Cathedral and, the remainder of the party joining up at Ashton-under-Lyne next day, Yorkshire Maximus was scored in which Geoffrey Bridges scored his 200th. On Sunday morning, whilst the other members of the party rang in Bolton for service, three others attempted a handbell peal in what we thought was a remote field. But after about half an hour an irate farmer drove his car right through the field accusing us of disturbing the grass, so we had our first loss.

The afternoon peal at Worsley was successful and Keith got his 50th as conductor. The Monday morning peal of Pudsey (Tim's special request) turned out to be a long one but Tim, Alan Long and Arthur scored a first in the method.

PEALS LOST—BINGO WON

The conductor decided to stop the afternoon attempt at Westhoughton after about two hours and this was the first of five peals to be lost. Both attempts on Tuesday failed—London at Walkden and Lincolnshire at Parbold. Owing to a miscall the Lincolnshire came round at 1344 changes and was true! opportunity was taken to practise spliced for the next day, and a false touch of 900 or so changes was rung. In order to forget the losses all the party proceeded to Blackpool expecting to lose their money, but came back with three prizes from Bingo! At Adlington the next morning Chris Forster proved that he is awake sometimes by calling Jim Diserens' 8-spliced (much to our admiration!). It looked as if our luck had turned but Keith Walpole miscalled Chorley Surprise at Chorley in the afternoon after 2 hours and 17 minutes. We had had great difficulty in locating the key and started over an hour late, which did not help concentration.

SCORING SPLICED

Our next attempt for spliced (Davies's 5) at Farnworth was also successful and Alan Long rang very well in his first attempt. Here, also, Jim Andrews completed the circle for the second time. We did not get on very well with the bells at Radcliffe that afternoon, "Cannon's Delight" being miscalled after only a short time, and our

decision to try Stedman also came unstuck. (No doubt this was a relief to the workmen re-roofing the church.) Not to be done out of two peals that day four of us rang a good handbell peal in No. 2 bedroom of the hotel immediately above the sitting room so that the remainder of the party could listen.

Easingwold was decided on as the method for Friday at Penwortham and was the first in the method for J. R. K., Tim, Alan, Geoffrey and Jim. We had to replace two of the ropes (sixth and tenor) before we could start at Hoghton in the afternoon, and the tenor rope in particular was very springy. Despite the heat the peal was successful, not many of the c.r.u.'s being lost! This gave Arthur his first in the method. After reviving ourselves at the nearest hostelry some hard driving got us to Emmanuel, Southport, just in time to ring a touch of spliced.

J. R. K. had accepted an offer from the scheduled conductor to have another go at calling Lincolnshire on Saturday afternoon, not realising he was already calling in the morning, so he found himself spending all his spare time on Friday learning Starbuck's and Humphrey's (at least, that's what he said!). Anyhow, both peals came to a successful conclusion.

By this time the heat and ringing were beginning to have their effect and the evening was spent quietly eating and drinking. It was fortunate that Sunday was free, and after leaving Alan Flood at Manchester Piccadilly Station to keep a date with Sherborne we tried to get in to Old Trafford, but as some 27,000 people had been there before us, we made our way to the hills.

Our marathon letter writer was rather disgruntled when the Monday morning attempt at Hyde started late owing to some local misunderstanding. However, the traditional attempt for a new Delight method came round at the appropriate time, giving Neil, Geoff Fothergill and Chris their first of Delight. A quick dash to Stockport cheered up our chief scribe, and so the tour finished with 11 peals scored and a very enjoyable, if tiring, ten days.

Our thanks to many people and in particular Jim Andrews, Don Lawson, Geoff Fothergill and last, but not least, Mrs. "Brukes."

P. M. I.

UNIVERSITY OF SUSSEX GUILD SUMMER TOUR OF DEVON, 1970

Helped by Devonians Frank Shepperd and John Longridge, this year's University of Sussex Guild tour included some of the finest rings in Devon. Knowledge of the area was supplied by our former master, Ray Talbot, who at the last minute was unable to join us owing to pressure of work.

A small convoy of cars, plus one minibus, met up at Sidmouth and proceeded down to Teignmouth, the centre of operations. From there forays into the surrounding Devon countryside were master-minded (pun) by Terry. The first full day's ringing, however, took place on August 15 in Exeter purposely to avoid the holiday traffic. It was a pity that the Cathedral tenor was clapperless but there is always another day to ring on the full 12.

Following a shattering storm on Saturday night we emerged on Sunday to ring for services in Teignmouth. From then on the weather was none too good all week, but our gallant party of 20 soldiered on in high spirits. On Monday we headed for Plymouth via Buckland, Widecombe-in-the-Moor and Tavistock. Tuesday, our less-rushed day, ended with a successful quarter peal at Brixham. The band's composition was half local and half guild, and for good measure we supplied a maid amongst our ringers (apologies, Marion)! On Wednesday we travelled north to Thorverton, Cul-lompton (a glorious ten), New Honiton, Old Honiton (an experience), Ottery St. Mary, Broadclyst and Newton St. Cyres.

Thursday was a special day as we had been invited to ring at Buckfast Abbey. What a fantastic ring it is, a great tribute to the Abbey builders, the Fathers themselves, and to the bellfounders. Between the Abbey visit and ringing at Buckfastleigh our railway enthusiasts managed a trip along the Dart Valley line. On Friday a peal attempt was made at Highweek whilst the others visited Torquay. The peal was lost, unfortunately, but the band rang a quarter before joining us at Babbacombe. After ringing at Paignton and Upton we finished the week's ringing programme at Stoke Gabriel (a recently rehung six).

Our thanks go to all incumbents and ringers who met us, and special thanks to our new friends, Frank, Bob, John, Don, Dick and Steve. Hope to see you in Sussex one day.

SUSSEX UNIVERSITY SUMMER TOUR QUARTER PEALS

Berry Pomeroy, Devon.—Aug. 20, 1260 Grandsire Triples: C. McKay (first quarter) 1, J. Margaret Chappell 2, Susan Hopkin 3, T. G. Williams 4, B. J. Read (cond.) 5, M. S. Loveday 6, Susan E. M. Davis 7, Marion Kemp 8.
Highweek, Devon.—Aug. 21, 1344 4-Spliced Surprise Major (C. Y. R. Li): R. H. Newton (cond.) 1, Catherine M. Bew 2, R. I. West 3, Susan E. M. Davis 4, B. J. Read 5, D. R. Cox 6, D. L. Nibbs 7, M. J. Bew 8. First of spliced 3, 6, 7 and 8.

Woolwich, S.E. (St. Mary Magdalene).—Sept. 13, 1260 Grandsire Triples: G. Jones 1, Lorna Huckstep 2, C. Northeast 3, C. Harbutt 4, J. A. Humphrey 5, Deborah Bishop 6, A. S. Bishop (cond.) 7, T. Gibb (first quarter) 8. For Even-song.

T. G. W.



JOHN KETTERINGHAM'S PEAL TOUR

Left to right: Geoffrey Bridges, Arthur Hall, Tim Wylie, John Ketteringham, Alan Long, Jim Andrews, Alan Flood, Keith Walpole, Geoffrey Fothergill and Chris Forster.

At 18 our convictions are hills from which we look; at 45 they are caves in which we hide.

—F. Scott Fitzgerald.

A "COMING-OF-AGE"

On the first anniversary of the "firing out" of the Stedman Cinques at St. Paul's (for which the chief Pilgrim is said by some to have been responsible) the 21st Pipe's Pilgrims tour got under way, leaving the Cathedral for a "scientific" tour of the home of "change" ringing—Devon. The party journeyed to Heavitree, where Fred Wreford was waiting to welcome us with a grand Taylor ring to start the week.

Raring to go, the complete party and the all-important Robert at the wheel set out for Thortverton, the first tower on **Monday**, and Bill Simmonds was on the scene to grab his last eight in the county. A reluctance was shown to leave the next tower at Tiverton (Taylor, 1924)—good ringing on good bells. Next a visit to the Troyte family home—Huntsham. The last remaining member of the family has recently sold Huntsham Court and items in the auction were a set of handbells (£45) and a set of C. A. Troyte's books. The author of "Change Ringing" is buried in the churchyard beside his brother, Arthur, the compiler of "A Guide to the Steeples of England." Brigham Young rang with us here and then on to Uffculme, to be met by Arthur Fidler. Culmstock bells—1, 2, 4 Gillett and Johnston, the remaining five older; and so to Cullompton, where Surrey Pilgrims were delighted to meet Chris Barnes (ex-Streatham).

Tuesday.—Hills, hot sun and cows brought us to Noss Mayo which contains the "new" Revelstoke. A view of Newton Ferrers and then Ugborough, the general consensus being that the bells are the front eight of a ring of 12. Through Totnes, with a glimpse of a 16th century cupola and the River Dart, to Brixham. A low ceiling, a fine tower and five founders are features here. The high spot of the day, Buckfast Abbey, came next, but we were disappointed not to meet Brother Angold. Once accustomed to the unusual acoustics in the ringing chamber the bells can be recognised as a fine ring of 12 (tenor 41 cwt.). Listening from the Abbey farmhouse to the back four being lowered in peal with "Hosanna" being rung as a drum note was an experience. Up the hill to the somewhat stark tower (with spire) of Buckfastleigh, with a glorious view through the mist of the Abbey below. The bells (Taylor, 1935) are in a two-tier metal frame—three above, five below. The last tower of the day was Buckland-in-the-Moor. A striking eight, three trebles by Taylor, an augmentation of a 1760 Bilbie five, and here eight ladies rang a good touch of Bob Major. Features of the church are the tower screen (erected 1908 to the memory of a reverend gentleman), the "My Dear Mother" clock faces and the vestry in the churchyard opposite the tower.

Wednesday.—At Pilton the bells are 1 to 4 and 6 Taylor, 1853; 5, 7 and 8 Rudhall, 1712; rehung Gillett and Johnston, 1947, on ball bearings in existing frame; rehung Taylors, 1970, with new frame and fittings. Down a corkscrew hill to Combe Martin and Beethoven played by a Pilgrim on a piano in the church was an interesting background to the Mears and Stainbank eight, recast 1922 from an existing six. Through a shower of rain to Geogheham, where the bells were overhauled by Mr. Fidler in June. A nostalgic moment for two Pilgrims when they met in the porch the man who had married them some years ago. Through the oldest (?) borough in England and over Bideford Bridge to Appledore and a Pilgrims' 1,000th tower visited. Onward

through heavy rain to Holsworthy, well known through these columns for its bells tune. They are played electrically by a machine installed by Gillett and Johnston in 1949, who also recast the bells with added weight from an eight of 1836 by Thomas Mears II. And so back to Exeter.

Thursday.—Along the Dart Valley and on to the Moor to High Bickington and cobbles. The 15th century carved pew ends and an even earlier font were much admired. Down a 1-in-5 hill and up a 1-in-4 to Hatherleigh; more cobbles and a fine shingled spire. Lunch was at the A.D. 1450 George Hotel. Thus to North Tawton, where we met Mr. Fidler again. The church possesses a sundial, an organ loft (very much in use) and a fine board recording a "peal" of 2861 Call Changes rung in 4 hours on 17.1.14. We next came to Newton St. Cyres to be met by Rev. J. M. G. Scott, the incumbent. The back five are by William Evans, of Chepstow, 1733; third Mears and Stainbank, 1908; treble and second Gillett and Johnston, 1951, in which year the bells were rehung and retuned. A quick tea at our hotel and on to St. Mark's, Exeter, a fine modern church with a fine Taylor ring (8 bells). The combination of metal frame and brick tower meant the inevitable clapper knock, which was very pronounced. Our pièce de résistance of the week, Exeter Cathedral, came next. A brief tour of this magnificent building was very rewarding before ascending apprehensively to the ringing chamber. Having heard the bells at a distance on Monday evening, ringing them ourselves was very satisfying once we were accustomed to the acoustics and tower movement. Stedman and Grandsire Caters and Grandsire Cinques were successfully rung and rounds for those wishing to "try" the tenor. The next hour or so was spent in the entertaining company of Fred Wreford at a local hostelry.

Friday.—The previous evening at the Cathedral the chief Pilgrim had been in conversation with two American ladies and as a result they joined us for the day. A brief stop at Alphington for Sylvia to take a photograph of the church where she had rung a peal over 20 years previously, and so to Dawlish, with a six recast from a five by Pennington in 1784 and two trebles added in 1911. The bells were rehung in 1888 and 1950. Incumbents can be hard to come by these days, but if offered the 1536 value of this living (£25.5) I'm sure they would never get one at Dawlish! Bill Simmonds took us on a conducted tour until lunch time through Teignmouth, with its coastline railway and red cliffs to Torquay, with a view of Torbay, having passed St. Mary's Church. Mr. K. N. Roberts, general secretary of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers, joined us and informed us that we could have had a ring at Babacombe, his own tower. A glimpse of Lyme Regis and Portland Bill, through Newton Abbot to Highweek, where Superlative was a good start on good bells—Gillett and Johnston, 1935, recast from an eight comprising 1, 2 Taylor, 1919; 3 to 8 (?) Pennington, 1781.

Having negotiated Telegraph Hill, we arrived at St. Thomas', Exeter, which dates from 1261. Coats of arms on the chapel ceiling and the royal arms of 1682 were admired during a touch of Erin Triples on the eight, augmented 1923 by Gillett and Johnston, when they recast the existing six by Pennington, 1789, the treble of these having been recast by Mears in 1901. A quick tea and round the corner to St. David's. Up and over the roof into the

ringing chamber of a stone-faced brick tower containing an eight, a little difficult to ring. The church itself is very fine and after a brief look round two Pilgrims were harangued by a doctor who was finding it difficult to hold surgery whilst the bells were ringing. At last the final tower of the tour was reached—St. Petrock's, Exeter (the writer's 100th new tower this year). Inside the bells are virtually impossible to hear. They were restored after the First World War but fell silent in 1936 and were rededicated in 1962. The church is probably unique: its origins are Early English with extensions in 1413, 1513, 1587, 1828 and 1881. The last two extensions changed the direction from east/west to north/south and thus when walking down the aisles one passes through the original nave arcades.

The company gathered in the "functions" room at H.Q. for the traditional end of tour presentation to Jim and Sylvia. Grateful thanks were expressed to this hard-working couple for their efforts in producing yet another first-class tour, and Jim was presented with an expandable suitcase for his "globe-trotting" whilst Sylvia received a china donkey, a replica of "Arthur," for whom there is no substitute. Jim made his customary speech and said that he had intended to make this the last tour but had been persuaded by his wife to arrange at least four more to bring the total to 25 for a silver jubilee. The programme was tentatively announced as Cheshire, Lancashire, West London and possibly Ireland. Sylvia added that it was the company as much as the ringing that she enjoyed. Having gone to Bude for the evening Robert, our driver, had to wait until Saturday morning to be presented with a fine glass tankard and a cheque. Having said farewell to nine Pilgrims the remainder boarded the coach for the trip back to London and beyond. Lunch was at Amesbury and tea at Sunningdale.

So ended another tour, which had been so successful that virtually all the company made a provisional booking for next year. "POM-POM."

OVER THE HANTS/DORSET BORDER

On August 22 the ringers of St. Mary's, Fordingbridge, were joined by ringing friends from nearby districts for an enjoyable day's outing. The first tower visited was at Maiden Newton (6, 10½ cwt.), and here ringing from call changes to Doubles methods was enjoyed. At the next tower, at Axminster (a rather heavy eight) the back six were rung up in peal very successfully and some good ringing was experienced on the melodious bells (tenor 25½ cwt.). Afterwards all adjourned for well-earned refreshments and a little relaxation.

The next stop was at Lyme Regis, and here a few of the ringers took a dip in the sea. Tea was taken here, followed by ringing on the rather easy-going eight (tenor 10 cwt.), their tone being quite remarkable. On our way to Dorchester we experienced our first rain of the day and travelled through a thunderstorm. We rang at St. Peter's for an hour on the superb eight (tenor 20 cwt.) and were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Derek Sibson, who appeared to enjoy the bells as much as we did (and were more than helpful!). We had our traditional stop at the Cricketers' Arms in Wimborne, and all enjoyed a social drink and exchanged views on the day's ringing. Special thanks to Ron Marlow, who made the excellent arrangements.

E. M. R.

Notices

SCALE OF CHARGES

5/- for 30 words (minimum), each additional word 2d.; Meeting Notices—3 insertions the price of 2.
 Display Advertisements: 7/6 per inch single column; 1/2-page £3; 1/4-page £5/10; Whole page £10. Reduction for block bookings (on application) 65 screen for half-tones.

MARRIAGE

SHEPHERD—GAY.—The marriage of Malcolm and Ruth took place at Wells Register Office on August 29. New address is 11 Morton Road, Great Totham, Maldon, Essex. Telephone: Wickham Bishops 8109. 9811

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The address of Liz and Mike Hodge is now Flat 8, Horton Grange, Ray Mead Road, Maidenhead, Berks. Tel.: Maidenhead 24759. 9822

PERSONAL

"Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me: for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls."—St. Matthew xi, 29.

Will Miss M. Lambert please contact this office as her copy of The Ringing World has been returned from the College at Salisbury.

FOR SALE

SET OF 12 handbells (tenor size 19 F). Recently restored. Condition as new. £85.—S. F. Webb, South View, Glebe Lane, Staverton, Daventry. Phone: Daventry 2313. 9819

HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION

MID-DEVON.—Bed, breakfast and dinner. Good centre for touring. Mrs. A. Fidler, "Highcroft", Bow, Crediton. Also 4-berth caravan at Sandymouth Bay, near Bude. —Vacancies September. Bow 379. 9302

MISCELLANEOUS

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Coach to annual dinner: depart Marple (4.45 p.m.) via Hazel Grove, Wilmslow, Knutsford, Northwich, A556 and A54 to Mollington. Anyone interested in joining coach en route contact F. Osbaldiston, 11 Willow Grove, Marple, Stockport, SK6 7AT. Cost 10s. 9810

EXETER COLLEGES GUILD (University, St. Luke, St. Loyes and Rolle Colleges).—First practice, for all freshers, at St. Mark, Exeter (on A38), on Thursday, October 8, from 6.30–8 p.m. 9799

HARROW WEALD, MIDD.—There will be no practice at All Saints, Harrow Weald, on Monday evening, October 12. 9813

HERBERT KNIGHT MEMORIAL.—The Chew Branch of the Bath and Wells Association are proposing to erect in Wrington tower a memorial to the late Herbert W. Knight, who was for many years chairman and ringing master of the branch. It is thought that many of his old friends would wish to be associated with this proposal. Any donations will be welcomed and may be sent to D. G. Yeo, Cheriton, 45 Rayens Cross Road, Long Ashton, Bristol, BS18 9EA. 9812

Ringing Towers.—Because of devaluation and increased postal charges the annual subscription to Ringing Towers, the Australian and New Zealand quarterly, is increased from 5s. to 6s. to subscribers in the U.K. Subscriptions should be sent to Tom Lock, 57 Holloways Lane, North Mymsms, Hatfield, Herts.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, DENHAM, BUCKS.—Ringers' Service, Sun., Oct. 18, 6.30 p.m. Bells available from 5.30 until 6.30. Refreshments to be served in vestry after the service. All visitors welcome. 9798

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD GUILD.—New members welcome. First practice St. Marie's R.C. Church, Norfolk Row, at 8 p.m., Oct. 9. Correspondence to R. Padbury, 14 Den Bank Drive, Crosspool, Sheffield, S10 5PE. 9748

EVENING MEETINGS AND PRACTICES

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Evening business meeting, Dagenham, Oct. 10. Ringing 6–7.30 p.m. Business followed by ringing till 9 p.m. This month's weekday meeting at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on 29th. 9742

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

—Cirencester Branch.—Rendcombe, Oct. 17, 5.30–8.30 p.m.—J. Pearce, Branch Sec. 9814
LEICESTER GUILD.—Melton District.—Evening meeting, Hoby, Sat., Oct. 17. Ringing between 6.45 and 8.15 p.m. only.—S. N. Hall, Dis. Sec. 9824

NORWICH ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.

—Monthly practice meeting, Sat., Oct. 10, 2.30–4.15 p.m., Coltishall (6). Service 4.15. 5–8 p.m. at Scottow (6). 9790

STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.

—Evening practice meeting at Barton-under-Needwood, near Burton-on-Trent, Sat., Oct. 17. Bells (8) available 6.30–8.30 p.m. All welcome.—C. M. S., Gen. Sec. 9762

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.

—Winchester District.—Practice meeting, Ropley (7), Sat., Oct. 24. Ringing 7.30–9 p.m.—Ian McCallion, Dis. Sec. 9823

AFTERNOON MEETINGS

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

—The autumn meeting of the Chester Branch will be held at Aldford (8) on Sat., Oct. 10. Ringing from 3 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. G. Weaver, School Lane, Aldford, Cheshire. All ringers and friends welcome. 9783

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

—Extraordinary general meeting to be held at St. Thomas' Church, Dudley, Oct. 10. Ringing at Brierley Hill 3–4 p.m. Service at Dudley 4.30. Tea and meeting 5. Evening ringing, Netherton, 6.15–7.30 p.m. Names for tea to P. J. Brown, 31 Renfrew Place, Wordsley, Stourbridge. Will all members make every effort to be at this important meeting. 9800

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (Cambridge District) and CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

—Joint meeting, Oct. 10, Barton, 3–4 p.m. Service at Haslingfield, 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Evening ringing at Haslingfield.—J. S. 9703

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

—East Devon Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Cotleigh, on Sat., Oct. 10. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Numbers for tea to Mr. W. Sparkes, Burnside, Cotleigh. 9774

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

—Western District.—Apsley End (6), Oct. 10. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to A. V. Good, 44 Belmont Road, Hemel Hempstead. 9778

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

—Canterbury District.—The annual district meeting will be held at St. Dunstan's, Canterbury, on Sat., Oct. at approx. 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. D. C. 24. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at the Church Centre Chatfield, 104 Shipman Avenue, Canterbury. Ringing: St. Dunstan's, Canterbury, 2.30–4 p.m.; St. Stephen's, Canterbury, after meeting until 9 p.m.—J. B. K. 9782

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

—Maidstone District.—A.G.M., All Saints, Maidstone, Sat., Oct. 10. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to Mr. T. Cullingworth, 45 Holtie Crescent, Maidstone. 9801

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

—Blackburn Branch.—The October monthly meeting will be held at Rishton on Sat., Oct. 10. Tower open at 14.30 hours. Cups of tea at 17.00 hours, followed by business meeting and further ringing. Members more than welcome, visitors very welcome.—Maurice Hill, Branch Sec. 9815

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

—Sat., Oct. 10, St. Mary's, Church Road, Leyton, 2.30–4.30. Tea 5, New Church Hall, Lindley Road, Leyton. St. John's, High Road, Leytonstone, 6.30–8. Next Surprise practice, St. Olave's, Hart Street, E.C., Mon., Oct. 12, 6–8 p.m. 9821

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

—N. and E. District.—Meeting, Sat., Oct. 10, at St. Botolph, Bishopsgate. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea in the Church Hall, and business. Evening ringing at St. Botolph, Aldgate.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec. 9772

MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

—The autumn meeting will be held at Rolleston-on-Dove, Sat., Oct. 10. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. All welcome. 9721

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

—Newbury Branch.—Annual general meeting, Sat., Oct. 10. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Names for tea to H. Lawrenson, 52 Kings Road, Newbury. Ringing after meeting: Newbury, 6–8; Shaw, 7–9. 9789

SUFFOLK GUILD.

—North West District.—A.G.M., Sat., Oct. 10, Horringer (8). Bells from 2.30–9 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.30 p.m. Meeting follows. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. F. Potter, 3 Lucas Cottages, Horringer, Bury St. Edmunds. No names, no tea.—A. F. Ballam, Dis. Sec. 9752

SURREY ASSOCIATION.

—Northern District.—Regret that the quarterly meeting at Merton on Oct. 10 next is CANCELLED.—N. Thomson, Dis. Sec. 9825

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

—Western Division.—Practice meeting, Sat., Oct. 10, Stedham (6), 3 p.m. Tea (Midhurst Church Hall) 5. Service 6 and ringing to 8 p.m. at Midhurst (6). Please notify for tea P. M. Wills, 75 Annandale Avenue, Bognor Regis. 9784

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

—Southern Branch.—Annual meeting, Middle Littleton, Sat., Oct. 10. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. S. Drew, Monsal, Bradon, Tewkesbury. Evening ringing at Cleeve Prior, 7 to 9. 9735

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

—Crewe Branch.—Nantwich, Sat., Oct. 17. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to J. E. Brough, 25 Queen's Drive, Nantwich, by Oct. 14.—W. Kerr, Hon. Sec. 9817

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

—The next quarterly meeting will be at Stratford-on-Avon on Sat., Oct. 17, at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 and tea 5 p.m. in the Church Hall. Further ringing after tea. Names for tea by Oct. 15, please.—H. M. Windsor, 5 Park Lane, Harbury, near Leamington Spa, Warwickshire. Tel. Harbury 504. 9644

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

—N.E. District.—Meeting, Oct. 17, Wivenhoe. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. E. Sparling, Winton, Rectory Road, Wivenhoe, Colchester, Essex. 9797

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

—Ashford District.—Annual meeting, Cheriton, Sat., Oct. 17. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss M. Munt, Little Gatton, School Lane, Newington, Folkestone, by Thurs., Oct. 15.—A. B. 9653

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

—Rochester District.—Annual district meeting. Frindsbury, Sat., Oct. 17. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15, followed by tea and meeting. Evening ringing at Rochester Cathedral from 7.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. G. Philpott, 209 Cliffe Road, Strood.—D. P. L. 9820

LADIES' GUILD.

—South Wales District.—Meeting, Aberdare, Oct. 17. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea (sumptuous, 3s. per head). Gentlemen very welcome. Names for tea, please, as soon as possible.—J. S. King, The Cedar Tiles, High Beech Lane, Chapstow, Mon. 9804

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

—Market Harborough District.—A meeting will be held at Medbourne on Sat., Oct. 17. Ringing at Medbourne 3–5 p.m. Tea at Horse and Trumpet 5. Ringing at Hallaton 6–7.30 p.m.—L. W. Allen. 9803

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

—Quarterly meeting at Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Oct. 17. Bells: Ibstock, 1.30–2.30; Heather, 2–3; Measham, 2.30–3.30; Packington, 3–4; Ashby, 3.30–4.30. Service at Ashby 4.30, followed by tea and meeting in the Church Hall. Further ringing at Ashby after meeting. Names, please, to Mr. H. Beads-moore, Glan Elan, South Street, Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Leics, by Wed., Oct. 14, or if pen has been lost on the bus, to me (Markfield 2544), by Tues., Oct. 13. Everyone very welcome.—Ron Hughes. 9627

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

—Chipping Norton Branch.—Autumn meeting, Spelsbury, Sat., Oct. 17. Ringing at Chadlington (6), 2.30–3.30 p.m.; Spelsbury, 3. Service 4. Tea 5, followed by business meeting. Further ringing at Spelsbury until 7.30 and at Churchill (8) from 7.45.—P. R. Coveney, Saddlers, Kingham, Oxford. Tel.: Kingham 472. 9769

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Striking competition, Sat., Oct. 17, Gaywood. Start 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Bells available after tea. Names for tea (including competitors), please, to Mr. C. Tovell, 18 New Road, Gaywood, King's Lynn, by Wed., 14th.—P. A. 9785

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Banbury and District Branch.—Half-yearly meeting at Great Tew, Sat., Oct. 17. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. H. Morley, The Square, Great Tew, Oxford.—B. J. Davis, Hon. Sec. 9777

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Witney and Woodstock Branch.—Autumn meeting, Eynsham, Sat., Oct. 17. Bells (6) 2.30 to 4 p.m. Service 4, followed by tea and meeting. Evening ringing at Eynsham (6) 6–7 and Cassington (6) 7–8. Names for tea to Mr. A. E. Hicks, Merton Cottage, 47 Acre End Street, Eynsham, Oxford, OX8 1PF, by previous Wednesday. 9816

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Dorchester Branch.—A.G.M., Charminster, Oct. 17. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4. Names for tea to Mrs. L. Mears, Styles Close, Puddletown, Dorchester, by Wednesday previous. 9710

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wimborne Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Lytchett Matravers, Oct. 17. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5, Lion Hall. Lytchett Minster bells 7 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. Oakley, Fairfield, Middle Road, Lytchett Matravers, Poole. 9686

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Alton and Petersfield District.—Quarterly meeting, West Meon, Sat., Oct. 17. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 in Village Hall. Bells until 8.30 p.m. Numbers for tea by 12th, please.—C. E. Bassett, 85 Brook Lane, Warsash. Tel.: Locks Heath 2404. 9681

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Cleveland and North Yorkshire Branch.—Next meeting, Carlton-in-Cleveland (8), Oct. 17. Bells from 3 p.m. Picnic tea. Committee meeting 5 p.m. Business meeting afterwards.—Edward Hudson, Branch Sec. 9818

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—Meeting at South Church, Bishop Auckland, Sat., Oct. 24, 3 p.m. For tea advise Mrs. Cook, 28 McCullagh Gardens, Bishop Auckland, by Wed., Oct. 21. 9788

EAST DERBYS AND WEST NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—Meeting, Morton, Oct. 24, 2.30–8.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names without fail to Mr. H. Smith, The Laurels, Station Road, Morton, Derbys (Tel. Tibshelf 104), by Wednesday previous. 9793

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wellingborough Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Finedon, Oct. 24. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. E. Chapman, 22 Sibley Road, Finedon, not later than Oct. 20. 9741

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Portsmouth District.—Quarterly meeting, Oct. 24, St. Peter's, Curdridge. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 in the Reading Room, followed by the business meeting. Evening ringing till 9 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. L. Pritchard, The Burns, Lake Road, Curdridge, SO3 2HH, by previous Wednesday, PLEASE. 9724

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Western Branch.—Striking competition will be held at Ripponden on Oct. 24. Draw will take place at 2.30. Tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea (other than competitors) to Mr. J. Leaver, Jagger Green Dean, Holywell Green, Halifax, by Tues., Oct. 20.—A. B. Sullivan, Branch Sec. 9786

SURREY ASSOCIATION (Southern District)

RINGING FESTIVAL, OCTOBER 17

Couldson (5), 10.15–11.15 a.m.
Bletchingley (8), 12.15–1.15 p.m.
Burstow (6), 3–4 p.m.
Reigate (10), 6.30–7.30 p.m.
Limpfield (6), 11.15 a.m.–12.15 p.m.
Outwood (4), 2.30–3 p.m.
Buckland (6), 4–5 p.m.
Merstham (8), 7.30–8.30 p.m.

Service 5 p.m. at Buckland, followed by tea for those notifying Miss B. Minion, 38 Josephine Avenue, Lower Kingswood, Surrey.—K. G. Game, Dis. Sec. 9764

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL DINNER

Saturday, October 24, 1970,
6.15 for 6.30.

at the Trinity Banqueting Suite, The Trinity,
Worcester.

Tickets, 19s. 6d. each, obtainable from branch
secretaries.

Closing date October 21.

Ringing, St. John's (8), 4–5.30.

D. Beacham, Gen. Sec., The Lea, Hallow,
Worcester. 9787

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS

Quarterly meeting

CHISLEHURST, KENT

Saturday, October 10

The Annunciation (8), 3–4.30.

Tea at the Village Hall, Church Lane (near St.
Nicholas Church), 4.45, followed by meeting.
St. Nicholas (8), 6.45–8.15.

Names for tea to J. S. Barnes, 56 Leamington
Avenue, Orpington, Kent, BR6 9QB. Tel.:
Farnborough (Kent) 53666. 9750

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS 333rd ANNIVERSARY DINNER

November 7, 1970 (6 for 6.30)

at Walbrook Restaurant, Bucklersbury House,
Walbrook, E.C.,

the Master, Mr. A. R. Kench, in the chair.
Reception room and bar open at 5.30 p.m.

Tickets (40s.) from secretary.

Early application, please
(closing date October 26).

J. G. A. Prior, Hon. Sec., 21a Fieldhouse Road,
London, S.W.12 (01-673 2720). 9691

IF QUALITY MATTERS

let us transfer your precious recordings to
gramophone records
(useful fund-raiser to schools, churches).

Modern recording studio facilities with
Steinway Grand.

On equipment, our 75-page catalogue is a
most useful guide (6s. 6d.).

Unbiased advisory service, generous terms.

We also attend anywhere.

SOUND NEWS, 18 BLENHEIM ROAD,
LONDON, W.4. 8302

NEWS

**Bellringers
TIES**
IN TERYLENE
are now available
in
MAROON

in addition to
Navy Blue and
Green at
19/- each.

State colour when
ordering.

BELLRINGERS' BLAZER BADGES
10/6 each. All prices include postage.

THE ALDERSHOT STORES
37 Grosvenor Road, Aldershot



ALDRIDGE, STAFFS

The practice night will remain on Thursdays,
7.30–9.30, until further notice.

All visitors welcome.

J. P. Burton, tower captain.
9805

STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY 19th ANNUAL DINNER

Saturday, November 7, 1970
Taylor's Restaurant, Cannock.
6.30 for 7 p.m.

Tickets 30s. each from George Askew,
Chelmorton, Coven Road, Brewood, Stafford.
9808

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

COUNTY STRIKING CONTEST FINALS HENLOW (6)

Saturday, October 17, 1970

3–5 p.m., followed by general ringing until 6.45
p.m. Cups of tea available during afternoon
(Henlow). CLIFTON (8), 3–4.30 p.m.

BUFFET AND SOCIAL EVENING

Henlow Parish Hall, 7 p.m.

Tickets (5s.) available from district committees
or M. Major, 92 High Street, Henlow, Beds.
9791

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD ANNUAL DINNER

The Royal Oak Hotel, Leominster,
Saturday, October 17, 1970
6.30 p.m.

Tickets £1 2s. from:

F. C. A. Bennett, 7 Rudge Heath Road,
Claverley, near Wolverhampton. 9759

SNOWDON DINNER

Saturday, October 31, 1970

Arcadian Hall, Market Street, Barnsley.
6.30 for 7 p.m.

Tickets 30s. (giving names) from A. C. Banton,
194 Gleadless Common, Sheffield, S12 2US, en-
closing s.a.e., by Wed., Oct. 28.

Ringing details to follow.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION DINNER-DANCE

Saturday, October 31

The Royal Hotel, Southport.

Tickets 33s. 6d. from Mrs. C. D'Aeth,
1 Grosvenor Place, Birkdale, Southport.

The following towers will be open:
2.15–3.00 St. Cuthbert, Halsall (6).
3.30–4.15 Emmanuel, Southport (8).
4.30–5.30 Christ Church, Southport (8).
9660

BOOK WANTED

"AMONG THE BELLS,"

by Rev. F. E. Robinson.

Book or parts in any condition would be
considered.

Roy W. Rice, 48 West Street, Banwell, Som.

Additional copies of The Ringing World
may be obtained from our office, c/o Seven
Corners Press Ltd., Guildford (one copy
1s. 4d., including postage; two for 2s. 4d.;
three for 3s. 6d.).

PEAL AND QUARTER PEAL CARDS.—Set of
12 (minimum) 16s. Additional cards 3d. each.
Separate copy essential.—Write T. W., Ringing
World Office, c/o Seven Corners Press, Onslow
Street, Guildford, Surrey. 1001

Cover Picture—continued

the six. After the augmentation to eight the Surrey Association, Oxford Diocesan Guild and Middlesex County Association all rang peals within six weeks. The Cumberland rang a peal on January 7, 1913, starting at 5.20 a.m. No explanation is given as to why the early start was made. The College Youths did not visit the tower until 1922 when, on May 13, they rang Stedman Triples. In 1934 the first peal ever of Chiltern Surprise Major was rung, followed in 1936 by the first of Pyrford Surprise Major and in 1938 by Cranbourne Surprise Major.

The first peal by an all-local band was in 1969, of Plain Bob Major, and included W. A. Peck. The second, rung to commemorate this the 150th anniversary of the church, was of London Surprise Major.

DETAILS OF THE BELLS

Treble (25½", 3 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb., F).—In Memoriam Baron Sir John Henry William von Schröder, Bart.

2nd (26½", 3 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lb., E).—O Praise the Lord Our God in this Blest Place. T. Mears of London fecit 1819. Recast by Gillett & Johnston Croydon 1912.—Also on 3, 4, 5, 6, 7.

3rd (28 1/16", 4 cwt. 1 qr. 2 lb., D).—O Come let us Worship and Fall Down and kneel before the Lord our maker.

4th (30½", 5 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb., C).—Trew Jagon, J. Keates, H. Brumbridge, C. C. Wetton.

5th (33½", 6 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb., B flat).—This

peal of bells was purchased by subscriptions and ordered to be made by T. Burton, J. Robinson & R. Gates, Ch. Wardens.

6th (36", 8 cwt. 2 qr. 25 lb.).—This church was rebuilt & the first stone laid by LD VIST BUCKLEY.—The Rev. T. BISSE, W. H. Freemantle, E. W. Edgell, BN Torin, J. Reid, G. Gostling Lay Rector, The Rev. J. W. Gostling Vicar, T. Burton, J. Robinson, Ch. Wardens.

LATE NOTICES

PLEASE NOTE: The Kent County Association meeting (advertised under afternoon meetings) at St. Dunstan's, Canterbury, is now on October 24 (not 10).

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

CHURCHILL.—The new address of Mr. and Mrs. R. Churchill is 62 Station Road, Ridgmont, Bedford. No telephone yet. Still tower captain, Husborne Crawley. 9839

TALBOT-PONSONBY.—From Oct. 12 the address of Rev. Andrew and Alice Talbot-Ponsonby will be 22 St. Martin's Church Street, Salisbury, Wilts. 9833

WILLGESS.—Bevan, Freda, Ian and Allison now live at Conifers, Long Road, Lawford, Manningtree, Essex. Telephone No. Manningtree 2073. 9826

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Chew Branch.—Practice meeting, Nailsea (6), Sat., Oct. 17. Bells available 5 p.m.—D. G. Yeo, Hon. Branch Sec. 9831

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Joint meeting, Sat., Oct. 17, Eastern and St. Albans Districts. Essendon 3-4.30 p.m. and service. Tea 5. Evening ringing, All Saints, Hertford, 6.15-8.15 p.m. Names for tea essential to Miss S. Farnes. 22 Glebe Cottages, Essendon.—S. E. James, F. W. Ellis, Dis. Sec. 9829

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—Meeting, Sefton, Oct. 17. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Meeting 3.30 (while wedding in progress). Tea 5.30 p.m. In Punch Bowl.—D. C. H. S. 9838

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Caine Branch.—Meeting, Heddington, Sat., Oct. 17. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. D. Hacker, Downs View, Heddington, Caine, Wilts. 9837

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Practice meeting, Oct. 17, Henfield (St. Peter, 8), 3-8 p.m. Tea will be available. Names for tea to Mrs. Kirkcaldy, Div. Sec., 29 Manor Gardens, Hurstpierpoint, Hassocks (Tel. Hurstpierpoint 3735). 9832

7th (40½", 12 cwt. 19 lb., G).—O Lord God forgive us our sins. Lord have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us in the hour of death & in the day of Judgment. Good God deliver us. Amen.

Tenor (44½", 16 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb., F).—This bell, together with the smallest one, was added to the other six, which were restored A.D. 1912. W. Trevor Nicholson B.A. Vicar. J. Hopkins, W. J. Hill, Ch. Wardens.

MAGNA CARTA

The Surety barons of Magna Carta were: Stephen Langton, Archbishop of Canterbury; William Marshall; Hugh Bigod, Earl of Norfolk; Gilbert de Clare, Earl of Hertford; Richard de Clare, Earl of Clare; William de Hardell, Mayor of London; William de Huntingfield; William Mallett; Geoffrey de Mandeville, Earl of Essex; Richard de Percy; Saher de Quilney, Earl of Winchester; Eustace de Vesci; Robert Vere, Earl of Oxford; Geoffrey de Saye; Robert de Roos; William de Mowbray; William de Lanvallei; John de Lacy; William de Fortibus, Earl of Albarla; John Fitz Robert; Robert Fitz Walter; Henry de Bohun, Earl of Hereford; William d'Albini, Baron of Belvoir; Roger de Montbegon; Roger Bigod, Earl of Norfolk; Richard de Montfitchet.

Coat-of-arms given by: Leslie Langton, Baroness Lucas and Dingwall, Baron Howard de Walden, Major Henry Abel-Smith, Madelaine Abel-Smith, City of London, National Society of Magna Carta Dames, U.S.A., Sir Claude Coventry Mallett, Algernon George de Vere, 9th Duke of Northumberland, 10th Earl of Stamford, Viscount de Vesci, 1st Marquess of Lincolnshire, Baron Clinton, Baroness de Roos, Daughters of Barons of Runnemeade, U.S.A., 9th Baronet of Drake-lowe, 9th Baron Wharton, Fitz Walter Brook Plumptre, 4th Marquess of Ormonde, 6th Viscount Gage, Henvald Ramsbotham, Earl Fitzwilliam, Marquess of Zetland, Earl Stanhope, Viscount Hailsham, Baron Maugham, Earl de la Warr, Viscount Halifax.

GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGED

The Editorial Committee acknowledges with gratitude the following donations towards the cost of producing *The Ringing World*:—

Personal.—Miss E. M. Thompson 2s. 6d., M. R. Worthington 10s., Bowdon Parish Church £1, Ashford District £4. Delay in acknowledgment regretted.

Peals.—St. Bride's Major 3s., Felpham 10s., Harston 3s., Stockport 4s., Egremont 4s., mountain peals 3s., Ashcott 6s., Elston 6s.

Half Peal.—Blackmoor 7s.

Quarter Peals.—Polesworth (2) 6s., Woodborough 10s., Truro 3s., Hardington Mandeville 3s., Sheffield 3s., Stapleford 3s., Trumpington 13s., Bexley 6s., Yatton and others 11s., Newbold-on-Avon 5s., Ash, Surrey 5s., Sheffield 1s. 6d., Selston 3s., Bredon's Norton 3s., Croft 3s., Henfield 4s., Ipswich 2s., Stoke Goldington and others 5s., Westbourne 4s., Blackmoor 5s., Yatton 4s., Chigwell 3s., N. Lopham 2s., Diss 3s., Stansted £1 4s., Sandon 3s., Lympe (4) 6s., Leyland 6s., Wantage 4s., Marchington 3s., Mavesyn Ridware 3s., Heathfield 2s. 6d., Selby 3s., Widford 3s., St. Clement Danes' 2s. 6d., Alloo 3s., Great Gaddesden and others £1, Constantine 3s., Eckington 4s., Beckenham 5s., St. Clement Danes' 5s., Warminster 5s., "Four quarters in a day" 11s. 6d., Southampton 4s., Sidcup 10s., Bradpole and others 5s., Old Alesford 3s., Bishop's Sutton 3s., Ramsbottom 4s., Leyton 4s., Truro 5s., Epping 8s., Almeley 3s., Silverton 3s., Ipswich 3s., Lawisham 5s., Ash Priors (2) 6s., Preston Plucknett 3s., E. Budleigh and others 5s., Iddesleigh and others 10s., Hythe 3s., Coddington 5s., Portbury 6s., Horsell 4s., Polesworth (2) 6s., Havant 5s.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Kettering Branch.—Afternoon practice, Oct. 10, at Stoke Albany (6), 3-5 p.m. Short business meeting. 9835

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bingham District.—Meeting, Oct. 17, Lowdham (5). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to R. Blackshaw, 36 Stratford Road, West Bridgford, by Wednesday previous. 9827

25 YEARS AGO

Taken from *The Ringing World* for October 5, 1945

What is not generally recognised is that the possession of an ear keen enough to appreciate the finer points of bell music is by no means universal, even among the best bands.—Leader.

James Higgins rang his first 10-bell peal at Appleton (Grandsire), conducted by Walter F. Judge.

Stedman Triples at Farnham included Wm. Viggers, Sgt. John Freeman and Cpl. Fredk. A. H. Wilkins, with Alfred Pulling conducting.

Peal ringing is not an art, but merely a part of the art of ringing, in just the same way as one looks at the performance of a Beethoven symphony, not as an art in itself but as a part of the art of music.—Richard A. Post, of Headington, Oxon.

The experiences of Alfred Williams, of Bexley, Kent, who was with the Fleet Air Arm in Australia, were told in a letter from J. E. Bailey, of Dartford.

A meeting held in Llanfagan, Brecon, was attended by 14 ringers. The eight bells, not often rung, were in a church used regularly only in summer, but several peals had been rung in the tower. One cottage is near the church and the nearest farm is half-a-mile away.

50 YEARS AGO

October 8, 1920

What is really wanted is some sort of central authority by whom all new compositions should be examined before any claim to originality should be admitted.—Leader.

Gladys Bateman rang in a peal of Kent T.B. Major at Holme Lacy, Hereford, the first lady to achieve a peal in the county, and she repeated that honour in Shropshire two days later.

A peal of Stedman Caters at St. Clement Danes' was in honour of the tercentenary of the sailing of the "Mayflower" and the Pilgrim Fathers.

At Whitley Bay, Northumberland, in a peal of London Surprise Major, James E., Richard A., Joseph A., R. Alder and Thomas T. Gofton all took part.

At Knighton, Leicester, a peal of Grand-sire Doubles was the first peal on the bells, which had been a five since 1880.

Items of news marked "Press Matter Only" and in an unsealed envelope required only a ½d. stamp.

Mr. G. E. Symonds wrote regarding "old peals by new composers," and said Mr. Annable's peal of Bob Major was capable of 410 variations.

WHAT MAKES A RINGER TICK?

"Some take it up for the mathematics of it, trying to work out new methods, some for the pure joy of the sound. Others are attracted by the chance it gives to visit beautiful old churches, all different, and others by the satisfaction in the movement of controlling the bell."

This was included in an illustrated and well-written article in *The Hertfordshire Mercury* about a meeting of the Eastern District of Hertford County Association held at Aspenden recently. Various ringers attending were interviewed and their comments recorded, including the one quoted above, made by Mr. A. Van de Zande, of All Saints, Hertford.

5040 SURPRISE ROYAL (See page 799)
NEW ROYAL METHODS

Edington	—56—14—56—30—14—50—14—70—58
—7 f	
Silbury	—56—14—70—36.1470—1470.58.14—12.
70.14.56.3 mx	
Avebury	—56—14—70—36.1470—1470.58.14—14.
70.12.56.34.1 mx	
Kennett	—50—14—56—36.14—14.50—14—50—14
—5 f	
Stone	—50—16—1270—18—14—58—16—70.16
—36.9 cl	
Minal	—50—16—70—38—14—58—16—70.14.
78.14.9 cl	
Devizes	36.70.36.14—1258—38—14—50.16—16.70.
—58—7 f	
Ridgeway	—30—16—50—18—14—38.16—16.70.58.
34.58.3 e	
Cherhill	—30—16—50—18—14—50—16—50—16.
34.5 f	
Sarum	—30—16—50—18—14—50.36—16.70.16.
58.34.1 f	
Bratton	—30—16—50—18.34—14.50.34.16—30—
34—3 e	

COMPOSITIONS
5120 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

By C. J. MOBBS

23456	W	5/4	M	H
64352	(—)	x		
36245	—		—	3
52643	—	x		
65324	—		—	3
36452	—			
43265	—			
24536	—			
65432	—		—	(—)

Repeat 3 times, calling singles
for bracketed bobs in Parts 2 & 4.**5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

By R. N. SCHOLES

23456	W	5/4	M	H
64253	S*	S/S		2S
42653	S	S/S	S	
32654			S	2S
46235	S		S	S
36245	S			
62345	S	S/S	S	(S)
42365	S†			2S†

Repeat 4 times, omitting † in
Parts 2 & 5, and * in Part 3, and
adding (S) in 5th part only, giving
62435 at (S), then call

62435	W	M	H
52436		S	
34256	S		S
23456			—

Several readers have written to say that
the 1344 Grandsire Triples (page 768) is
false; the handstroke treble now at the first
course end (1532476) is the same as that at
the 4th.Published by The Ringing World for the Central
Council of Church Bell Ringers and printed by
Seven Corners Press, Ltd., Guildford, Surrey.**PUBLICATIONS**

BY THE CENTRAL COUNCIL

Preservation and Repair	s. d.
of Bells ...	3 0
A Tutor's Handbook, Part 1	3 0
(Bell Control)	
A Tutor's Handbook, Part 2	3 0
(Elementary Change-ringing)	
Collection of Surprise	
Compositions (Wratten)	5 0
Beginners' Handbook	1 0
Compositions in Popular	
Major Methods	5 0
Symbolic Treatment of	
F.C.H.	2 0
Collection of Minor Methods	6 0
Compositions of Stedman	
Caters and Cinques	2 6
Doubles Methods	2 0
Ringing for Service	1 0
On Conducting	3 0
Central Council Handbook	2 6

Collection of Surprise	s. d.
Methods—Place Notation	4 0
Method Sheets—	
Double Norwich	6
Stedman and Grandsire	
Triples	6
Model Code of Rules—	
Ringers' Society or Company	6
Electrical Switchgear Warning	
Cards	3
Spliced Triples	6
"Four-Way" Table Minor	
Methods	6
Blue Line Proof	6
Recruiting Leaflet (5 for 1s.)	3
Prayer Sheet (4 for 6d.)	3
Change Ringing on	
Handbells	3 6
Grandsire Caters	1 0

Cash with Order, plus 4d. per copy postage.

MR. and MRS. G. R. DREW, MONSAL, BREDON, TEWKESBURY, GLOS.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
INSTRUCTION & DIAGRAM BOOKAvailable to all ringers at 3s. 6d.
each. Post free from:

F. REYNOLDS

38, Windsor Avenue,
Whitefield, Manchester. M 25 6 BA**FROM HANDLING A BELL TO**
CALLING A PEAL**The Ringers Handbook**Detailed Instruction in the
Four Standard Methods6-bell Edition: 5/- each; six for £1-8-6.
8-bell Edition: 7/- each; six for £2-0-0.

All Post Free (U.K. only)

Obtainable only from Mrs. E. S. Powell
St. Peter's Cottage, Langford Budville,
Wellington, Somerset.**JASPER SNOWDON SERIES**

Ropesight 8s. (40p.)

Grandsire (Trollope) 4s. (20p.)

Plus postage and packing 1s.

now available from

Christopher Groome, 22 Duke Street,
Burton Latimer, Kettering, Northants.**"THE WORLD'S BEST**
BELLROPE"Noted for Easy Handling and
Non-stretching

Established 1820

Phone 2400

JOHN
PRITCHARD
(ROPES) Ltd.**LOUGHBOROUGH**CLOCKS AND CHIMING ROPES
SPlicing AND REPAIRS
BELL MUFFLERS

Price List on Application

ARTHUR FIDLER**CHURCH BELL MAINTENANCE**
ENGINEER AND BELLHANGERBow, Crediton, Devon, EX17 6HN.
Telephone: Bow 379.

FOR PROMPT DELIVERY OF HIGH QUALITY

BELL ROPESAs supplied to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute,
Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne
(Australia), Rochester, Dublin (St. Patrick's), Manchester, Gloucester and
Worcester Cathedrals, Durham (S.A.), Perth (Australia), Vancouver (B.C.) etc.

Apply to

JOHN NICOLL

Established 1760

CHURCH BELL ROPE MANUFACTURER
THORN COTTAGE, BARNHILL ROAD, RIDGE,
Near WAREHAM, DORSET

Telephone: Wareham 3328