

Ringing on the six commenced at 3 P.M. under the direction of K. Dalpole, & continued until the service at 4.30 which was conducted by the Rector of South Mimms, the Rev. Springford.

Tea followed in the Church hall, prepared by the local singers, after which Mr. Dalpole was elected to the chair.

Apologies for absence were received from K. Davill & Miss A. Dillon.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

A. Carter queried the failure of the minutes to cover fully the item regarding the election of a general committee. Having been amended on this point the minutes were signed as correct.

Election of new members. The following battery elections at N.R.L.M. were all ratified:-

Richard Green of Southampton, proposed G. Penney, seconded A. R. Carter, prior to a feast at Portsmouth Cathedral.

D. Paul Smith of Bromley, Kent, & James Philips of Whitstable, Kent, proposed A. Dilly, seconded K. Davill, prior to a feast at Liverpool Cathedral.

Peter L. R. Haywood, Sheila M. Astley, Edmund Shuttleworth, & Simon Humphrey of Nottingham; David J. Marshall of Daventry & Christopher J. Rooster of Maidenshead, proposed A. Dilly, seconded C. Foster, prior to a feast at St. Peter's Nottingham.

Eric J. Gilbert & Robert Peers of Dural, Berkshire, proposed K.

John M. Jellay of Scarborough, Leeds.

Dalpole, seconded C. Foster, prior to a feast at Dorset, Dorset.

District Outing. The district singing master gave the final details of the outing to the city of London on Saturday July 4th.

Date & place of next meeting. The secretary said this would be at St. Peter's, St. Albans on July 18th at 3.15 P.M. because of a wedding.

Any other business. R. Hardy reminded the meeting about the Kimpton cup striking competition to be held on September 26th, with a social in the evening to be held in Kimpton Memorial Hall.

A. Dilly asked could we not arrange a district competition prior to this date, but it was decided that with holidays intervening, this would not be possible.

R. Hardy also said that St. Paul's Dalston had asked for another assisted practice and Wednesday July 8th was provisionally arranged for this, subject to confirmation by the local singers.

G. Dodds announced that the handbell section of the St. Albans Music Festival is to be held this year on October 31st, and entries are required in by October 1st.

Mr. G. Dodds also said that he had with him the association library case if anyone wished to avail themselves of it.

Mr. D. Pyle thanked everyone who in any way had helped to make the visit of the local council go so smoothly during his presidency.

An article in the Ringing World was brought to the attention of the meeting concerning the possible loss to the world of the bells at St. John the Divine, Leicester. After some discussion it was suggested a petition be sent from this area, once we had learned a few more

of the details which are at present rather hazy.

M. Frost proposed a vote of thanks to the
Rectors of S. Minns & Mosker Hadley for the use of the
bells, to the Rev. Springford taking the service, to Graham
Lillis for playing the organ & to the local singers for
preparing the tea.

G. Dodds asked those requiring transport to
Hadley to make it known as there were plenty of vacant
seats in cars.

Evening singing was on the eight bells at Mosker
Hadley from 6.30 until 8.00 P.M.

John R. Mayne. 18-7-1970.

CHAIRMAN.

P.B. £1 profit from tea was put into V.B.F.