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"THEY SHALL HAVE MUSIC"

There are very few pianists in Hamilton with the letters F.T.C.L. after their names. One more has joined their ranks — Mrs Josephine Fluhler. F.T.C.L. might be likened to a Master's degree, and the letters A.T.C.L., L.T.C.L. and L.R.S.M. (which she had gained by the age of 19) correspond more to a Bachelor's degree. These diplomas are issued by England's most renowned Music academies.

Mrs Fluhler worked under the coaching of Sister Mary Gabrielle of St. Mary's Convent, Hamilton. To gain the Fellowship distinction means preparation of four major works, performed with flawless technique and musicianship. Mrs Fluhler chose a Partita by Bach, Beethoven's "Appassionata", Chopin's Ballad in E Flat and Bartok's "Allegro barbaro"—a staggering accomplishment. Into the bargain all but the Bach Partita were played by memory; all of it achieved in just a little over a year! As Mrs Fluhler says: "in my spare time"—between looking after her home and three little children and helping her husband at the "Swiss Chalet" Restaurant!

Congratulations and "well done", Josy.

—H.B.

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Laugh a little . . .

A ballet dancer from beyond the Iron Curtain has absconded to the West. The reporters beleaguered him and wanted to know: "How is life over there?"

"One cannot complain."

"How are the costs of living?"

"One cannot complain."

"But why then did you flee to the West?"

"Because one can complain here."

BELOW ZERO

During the social evening, given for the stall holders of the Mustermesse, the compere explained: "A skeleton is a dancer who went too far with her striptease."

CAUTIOUS?

Advertisement in the Marriage column of a Danish newspaper: "Young and attractive lady willing marry good-looking business executive; please forward photo of self and mother."

THE PROOF!

A married couple sit opposite one another in the train. He had wanted to use the car — she the train. Arriving at their destination, the wife announces triumphantly: "You see, I was right! Along the whole route the barriers were always down just at the time of passing a road crossing!"

—Nebelspalter