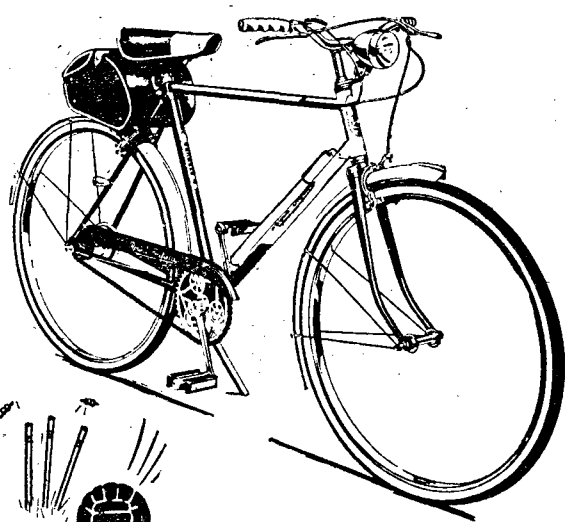


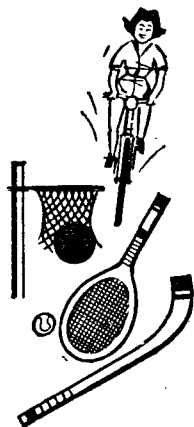
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by Ernest Thomson

Sparkling pianist

THAT sparkling young pianist, Stephanie Bamford, is in Granada TV's *Art of Music* schools programme at 2.35 p.m. on Friday with the Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra.

At eleven she was the youngest pupil to win the performers'



Stephanie Bamford

Diploma at the Royal College of Music.

Stephanie has played at concerts all over Britain as well as in Bonn and Berlin.

HOBBY FOR 2d



Brass rubbing taken at Wrotham Parish Church in Kent.

HOW cheap can a hobby be? There's one that costs only 2d.

It's brass rubbing, and you can see and hear all about it in ATV's *Box of Birds* next Sunday morning. The expert is Caradoc Evans, who will be in the studio with daughter Susan (13), complete with equipment and examples of their work.

"Choose any church over 300 years old," says Mr. Evans, "and you're almost certain to find tombs with brass effigies of splendid knights and ladies. All you need to make a 'rubbing' is a sheet of shelf paper and a wax crayon. Total cost—twopence!"

MUSICAL THRILLER

A MUSICAL thriller, based on a real-life mystery of the last war, is the next highlight in BBC junior radio. Called *Mister Midnight*, it begins a six-week run next Tuesday. Dr. John Haddon, famous amateur sleuth played by Frank Duncan, is aware that in November 1944 the vault of the Warsaw National Bank was cleared of its gold by order of Hitler. Nothing more has been heard of it. But one day a single gold bar stamped with the double-headed eagle, wrapped in a Swiss newspaper, turns up in London in the swag of a certain Chalky White...

The Weaving Baker Jonquil

Antony's Column



HERE'S a girl who's both a weaver—and a baker! They sound unusual trades to combine, but Maureen Money, of Graffham, in Sussex, does three days a week at each job. Her father's the village baker, and she helps him, and the rest of the time she works at her loom, making rugs and blankets.

Judging by the smile, Maureen enjoys it, too!

NOR long ago I wrote about a girl of seven who'd passed her ballet examination. Yvette Everington, a Middlesbrough girl, is seven, too, and what does she do? She breeds Persian cats. Yvette wins first prizes at all the top cat shows in the North of England and Scotland.

THERE'S a fascinating new kind of chocolate for icing on the market now. It's the greatest fun to use and is called "Polka Dots." You can buy a packet for 1s. 6d. from most grocers.

How about making a few Polka Dot Cornflake Bars for Sunday afternoon tea?

You need an ounce of butter, four ounces of marshmallows, one-and-a-half teacups of cornflakes, half a teacup of dessicated coconut, and half a packet of Polka Dots.

Put the butter and the marshmallows in a saucepan and melt them over a very low heat, stirring all the time. When the mixture is melted and smooth, take it off the heat and cool for a minute. Mix the cornflakes, coconut, and chocolate dots, and add to the contents of the saucepan all at once. Mix well and turn into a lightly-buttered shallow cake tin. Leave until firm and then cut into bars.