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## DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

### SAM NOISETTE HOLDS ART EXHIBIT

Numbered among the personnel of the FBI are men and women of many talents. Foremost among those with artistic ability is Sam Noisette, who has been receptionist and personal messenger for the Director during the past fifteen years. Sam, as he is known to his many friends, has made quite a reputation for himself as a painter of landscapes. He states that he has been sketching for a long time, however, it was not until he came into the Bureau that he really began to take his painting seriously. Mr. Hoover encouraged Sam until now he has finished approximately 200 major canvases. For the past six years he has held regular art exhibits at the Phyllis Wheatley Y.W.C.A. in Washington, D. C. These exhibits have proven to be extremely interesting and have been viewed by many persons, both known and unknown to Sam; so far as official Washington is concerned, by both great and small. Among the regular patrons of these exhibits is the Director, who incidentally has constantly encouraged Sam throughout the years in his artistic endeavors. The most recent exhibit was held from November 24th to December 7th and it so favorably impressed Mr. Hoover that he made arrangements for Sam to show his paintings in the reception room of the Director's Office on December 15th and 16th for the benefit of those who had been unable to attend his earlier exhibit. There were on display 19 of his most recent paintings, among which was one of Sam's favorites, "Meadow Brook." A constant stream of Bureau employees as well as numerous outsiders paid tribute to Sam's ability during these two days. Sam has an excellent appreciation of color, as is indicated particularly in his fall landscape scenes.

Two of his canvases have passed the Corcoran Gallery of Art judges and appeared in an exhibit sponsored by a local Washington newspaper several years ago. His work has excited considerable interest among the gentlemen of the press and numerous highly commendatory articles concerning his paintings have appeared in various newspapers throughout the country, among which is the Washington Star and the Greensboro, North Carolina, Daily News.

In appreciation of the courtesy shown Sam by the officials of the Phyllis Wheatley Y.W.C.A. in assisting him in holding his annual art exhibits, Sam recently gave the Music Committee of the Y.W.C.A. one of his well-known works entitled "Lone Flight", which the committee plans to auction, using the proceeds to obtain a piano for that organization.

For the benefit of those throughout the field not fortunate enough to have been able to attend Sam's exhibit, there are being set forth photographs of the artist and some of his paintings. Particular attention is called to the canvas "Meadow Brook."

When queried as to the price of the paintings, Sam indicated that he places no particular monetary value on them, simply stating that people give him various amounts for his pictures, and some he gives away; that he intends to keep on painting regardless of whether he sells them. It might be stated, however, that most of his paintings find a ready market, and in the event a striking oil landscape is noticed in one of the homes of a member of the FBI, it is quite possibly one of Sam's.

## DIVISION ONE

### Identification

## ASSEMBLY

**DAY FORCE:** We thought we'd lost Ed Birney to Posting the other day but now he says he will be with us till his "rich uncle" dies.

**NIGHT FORCE:** The night force regrets the loss of George Riordan who has been transferred to be midnight supervisor...Although he's been keeping it quite a secret, it has finally leaked out that Bob Dunn is engaged to a Miss Higgins from his old home town. Bernard Roush is also known to have given a diamond to "Cricket" Bishop of the typing section, Division Four.

## CARD INDEX

**MIDNIGHT FORCE:** Card Index Midnight Force was sorry to loose Mr. Anderson, Agent Supervisor, to the Night Force, but we are glad to welcome Mr. Trotter...The Midnight Force wiener roast which was held at Rock Creek Park was a big success. Softball, football, and other



# Sam Noisette Holds Art Show

(See Director's Office News)



*MEADOW BROOK*



Charlie Shinn and the Misses Mary Jane Moore and Jane Gates, Cartographic Section, visit Sam's exhibit.  
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Sam Noisette applying finishing touches to "Meadow Brook" →

