

Treasure Island



THE ISLE OF PINES from the time of R. L. Stevenson to the present are illustrated in the paintings of Burt Garnett, cartographer, artist and writer.

Burt Garnett Exhibits Collection Of His Cartographic Paintings At East Martello Tower Gallery

Maps and charts have always held a fascination for Burt Garnett, but it seemed to him, as he looked over the flat drab surfaces neatly marked in latitude and longitude that these conventional guides held nothing of the color and vividness of far-away places.

It was a challenge to his imagination, and during twenty-five years as a newspaperman, author and researcher he took up painting as an avocation. It was not until Burt Garnett came to Key West, however, that his ability in art found expression through his interest in cartography.

The Garnett paintings now being exhibited at East Martello Towers are highlighted with the collection of his decorative maps. They are bright with the emerald, turquoise, cobalt and ultramarine of tropical waters, dotted with ochre isles. There is a charming story-telling quality to these maps as well as a feeling of intimacy with distance instead of the spacelessness of lines and dots.

In his "Bird's Eye View of Old Key West" and "Key West to Big Pine Key" there is the same reaction to the vivid color that is seen when coming to the tropics by plane. . . the suddenness of the melody of color and the lavishness of its hues.

"Aerial Map" gives even more of a feeling of movement, of a blur of swift form and color in its bold, modern treatment.

One of the most interesting of his paintings is a pair of maps, one a copy of R. L. Stevenson's Treasure Island, which is the Isle of Pines, off the south coast of Cuba. The other is the island as it appears today.

The copy of the early map shows physical features on it which have counterparts in the actual topography of the island. Spy Glass Hill, for instance, is in the approximate position of La Cisterna of today.

The map adapted from Stevenson is richly ornamented with portraits of Long John Silver, treasure chests with golden doubloons and all the trappings of pirates bold.

The modern counterpart is delightful in the feeling that it gives of the island. The softly moulded hills, the steamy greens of the swamp, the gleam of a tree enclosed white mansion built in British colonial architecture (which turns out to be the hotel where the Garnetts stop when on that island.) There is, among the decorative medallions, a tiny ship that substitutes galleons with the small craft plying between Cuba and the Isle of Pines.

His "Paths of the Conquistadores" is a fascinating sweep of North, Central and South America, ringed with islands of the Caribbean, and traced on them are the courses of Columbus, Ponce de Leon and Cortez. In the vivid, third dimensional feeling of the map, history comes alive and the relationship between continents and areas takes on new meaning.

In the second gallery at East Martello Tower there are hung the land and sea-scapes of Burt Garnett together with some still lifes. His sense of tropical color is again evidenced and in one of his paintings he has successfully used a three color palette of American Vermilion, Emerald and Naples Yellow.

A charming still life is "Pierrot," a shell in pinks, corals and grays that gleams like enamel and has grace and delicacy.

The Garnett exhibition will be shown throughout the month of January and it holds interest not only for Key Westers but for visitors to this tropical city as well.

Iron is about four per cent of the earth's crust.

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Old Key West



KEY WEST IN ITS VIVID, tropical setting is painted by Burt Garnett, whose maps are unique in both technique and in their story-telling qualities.

Auditions Slated For Players' Next Production

Auditions for the next production to be given by the Key West Players will be on Friday evening at 8 o'clock at the Woman's Club. The play will be John van Druten's "Bell, Book and Candle" a comedy involving a cast of five. Roles include the feminine lead, a woman who is from the ages of 25 to 35; a publisher (male) who is fortyish; an aunt of indeterminate age, a brother 25 to 40 and an author 25 to 55. So that gives everyone plenty of scope who wishes to try out.

The play will be directed by Emily Woolley Goddard, well known to Key Westers for her talent and experience in the dramatic field. Mrs. Goddard stresses that it is not necessary to be a member of the Players to try out for a part in the play. Everyone in the area is welcome to read the roles, both Key Westers and Naval personnel.

The secret of washing Venetian blinds well is to use an almost dry cloth. Dip the cloth in soap suds and then wring out most of the water. Go over each slat, resudsing your cloth often. Then wipe the slats dry with a clean cloth.

Colorado has 40 mountain peaks over 14,000 feet high, double the number to be found in the Alps says the National Geographic Society.

Chief Justice Is House-Hunting In Washington

By JANE EADS

WASHINGTON — The Chief Justice and Mrs. Earl Warren are having their troubles finding a house suited to their particular requirements — just like any other family that comes to Washington to make its home.

Their house-hunting is complicated by several factors, however which the ordinary official assigned to the capital doesn't have.

They have six children and four will be with them eventually. Because of his high position they can't settle down just any old place. They'll have to do some entertaining. Furthermore, since an appointment to the Supreme Court is for life, and not affected by changing administrations, the house they select will be called home.

The chief justice says he's letting Mrs. Warren shop around for a house. "I may not be brilliant," he told friends at a recent party, "but I'm smart enough to let my wife find us a house."

In Washington from California a few days before Christmas, Mrs. Warren looked over numerous prospects but failed to make a decision. She said the family will stay in a hotel apartment until she has more time to look around when she returns.

"We'll need at least four bedrooms," she told me. "In the governor's mansion in Sacramento each of the six children had a room of his own, though we did have to make over some porches to accommodate them."

Mr. Warren says she believes age.

ANNOUNCEMENT CALENDAR

THURSDAY, January 7th

10:00—HS-1 Officers' Wives' Club, Aeropalms

12:15—Rotary Club, St. Paul's Parish Hall

1:00—Thrifty Shop, at U. S. Naval Commissary, 1 - 4

2:00—Woman's Auxiliary (sewing) Monroe General Hospital

3:00—Circle II, First Methodist Church, place to be announced

6:30—Lions Club, at the den, 1007 Seminary St.

7:30—Dorcas Society at the Lutheran Church

8:00—Key West Garden Club, place to be announced

8:00—CAP Cadets, at Poinciana Community House

8:00—Elks Lodge, at the clubhouse

8:00—VFW Post 3911, at the Post House

FRIDAY, January 8th

9:00—Thrifty Shop, at U. S. Naval Commissary, 9 - 12

10:00—Gym Classes for Officers' Wives, Bldg. 83, Seaplane Base

12:30—OWC Luncheon, at Fort Taylor

7:30—Youth For Christ, Poinciana Baptist Church

7:30—Sparkling Waters Rebekah Lodge, Pythian Hall

8:00—Fern Chapter No. 21, OES, at Scottish Rite Temple

Virginia, 24, the eldest of her three photogenic blonde daughters, will return with her. Dorothy, 22, Nina, 19, and their brother, Robert, 18, who are attending the University of California at Los Angeles, are not expected to come east until spring.

Two other sons are married and living in California. James Warren and his wife have three children. Earl Warren Jr. was married last fall. Nina, who is always called "Honeybear" because, her mother says, "she's always been a honeybear," was Queen of the Shenandoah Apple Blossom festival in Winchester, Va., in 1952.

"I guess I'll have to settle for a rented furnished house for a while," Mrs. Warren told me. "We have to find something soon. Everything's arriving here, or in storage in California. You have to move entirely out when you move, else the things you most badly need are always the ones in storage."

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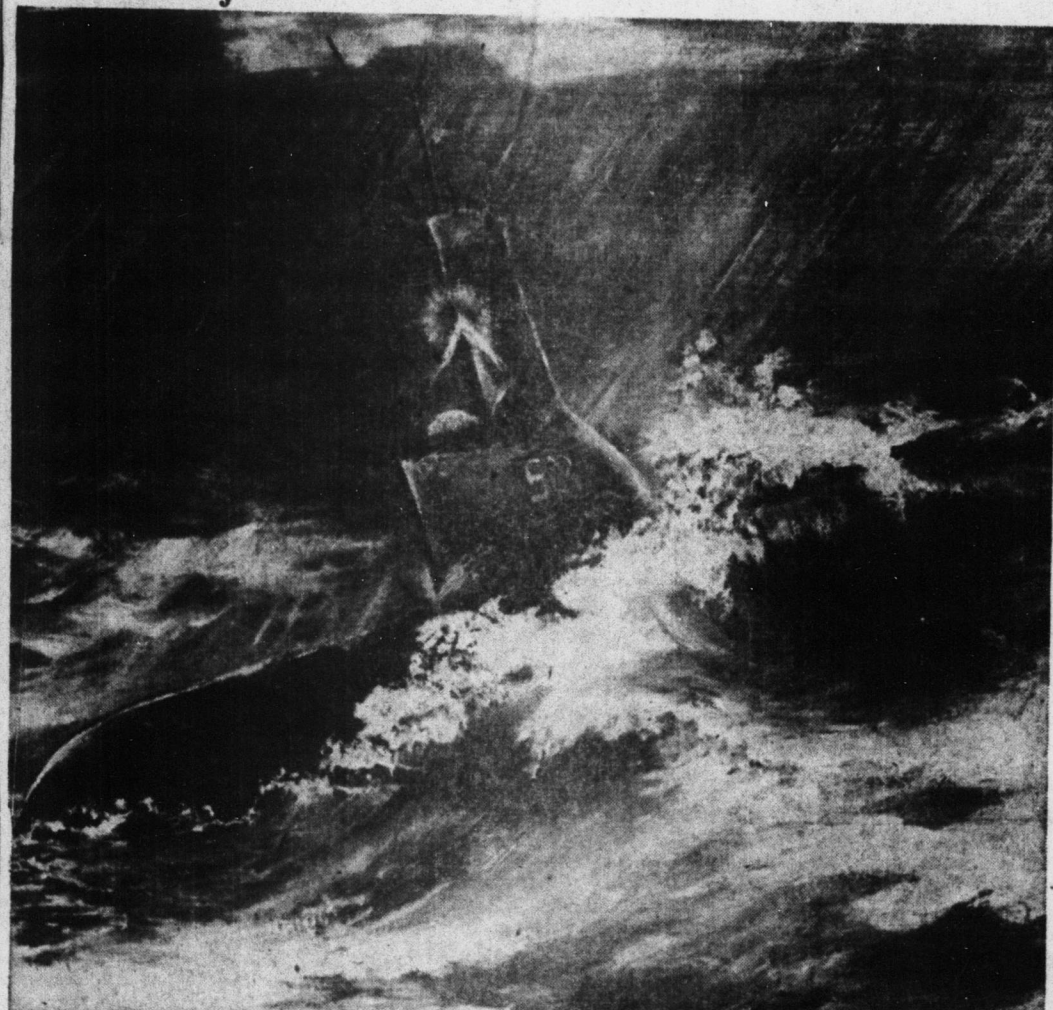
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USS Amberjack



USS AMBERJACK, a painting by Van Noble, Key West artist, of the submarine formerly commanded by the Presidential Naval Aide, Cdr. Edward L. Beach, now hangs in his office in the White House.

White House Aide Praises Painting Of Key Wester

The picture of the USS Amberjack, SS-522, which Van Nobles, Key West artist, was commissioned to paint, is completed and accepted by Cdr. Edward L. Beach, Naval Aide to President Eisenhower.

Cdr. Beach, former skipper of the Amberjack, wrote Mrs. Noble saying that the painting, now over his desk at the White House, would be shipped to New London, Conn. where it will be taken to the Submarine library and museum at Groton for the exhibition to be held during the week of the launching of the USS Nautilus, which will be January 21st.

Cdr. Beach wrote, "I liked the Amberjack in every way and always wanted a good painting of her. I found an artist who could do that job to my liking and the finished picture is superb. It now hangs on the wall of my office in the White House but it will be shipped to Groton, Conn. for exhibit during the launching of the Nautilus."

Legion Auxiliary Meets Tonight

The American Legion Auxiliary, Arthur Sawyer Unit No. 28 meets tonight at the Legion Home, Stock Island, promptly at 8 p. m. The president, Mrs. Mary Moreno asks all members to be present as plans will be made for the Department president's visit on January 16th.

Gen. Dorn Turns Cook

By JANE EADS

WASHINGTON, (AP) — Brigadier General Frank Dorn, retired, who gets his relaxation over a hot stove cooking up the most delectable food and whose "Dorn Cookbook" is a best seller hereabouts, took his best friend to dinner in a restaurant recently. It was a Chinese place, and guests all ate with chopsticks. Dorn's own book is made up of Chinese and other foreign recipes and stories he picked up in his Army service in the far-away places.

Seen at a recent reception given by Washington newsmen: Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, widow of the World War I President; Mrs. Jesse Jones, wife of the one-time secretary of commerce; Mrs. Alice Roosevelt Longworth, widow of the former speaker of the House, and Mrs. Gifford Pinchot, widow of the Pennsylvania senator. Mrs. Longworth's round-crowned big-brimmed black hat is her trademark, as is Mrs. Pinchot's flaming red hair.

"I've been to so many of these parties that it's like political conventions — I can't count them any more," Mrs. Longworth said.

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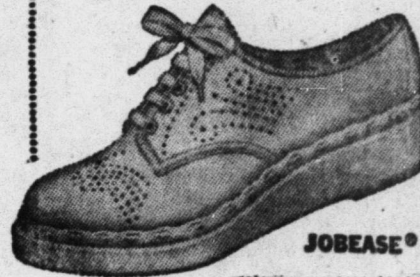
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