

**Description**

Artist Thomas Hart Benton (left) is being assisted by Milton Perry (on scaffolding, center), the museum curator as he works on the mural, "Independence and the Opening of the West" in the lobby of the Harry S. Truman Library. Guard Leon Cox is watching from the floor.

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4x5 inches (10x13 cm) Black & White

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**People Pictured** Benton, Thomas Hart, 1889-1975 Perry, Milton F., 1926-

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