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LEND ME YOUR EARS:

'Art And Madness' In Milan Show

THE ARTISTS ARE ALL AMATEURS but the new exhibition at the Palazzo Reale in Milan is still one of the most interesting to be seen in all of Italy. Titled "Art and Madness," the show of over 250 paintings, drawings and sculptures is devoted to works of inmates of mental asylums in France, Belgium and Switzerland. Sponsored by the Province of Milan with the assistance of numerous psychiatrists, the exhibition is being held to demonstrate how mental patients are able to communicate their subconscious anguish and fears through art. It is divided into three parts. The first section is called "Shipwreck" and is reserved for works by patients who have no relationship between their own personality and the rest of the world. The painters have lost their sense of proportion, perspective and color and concentrated on fixed themes revealing their hallucinations. The second section, "The Operation of Reason," includes works in which the patient is striving to make contact once again with reality and works out his problems with paint and pencil. The third section, "On the Borders of Art," is devoted to works which merit consideration from an esthetic point of view. All three sections have striking paintings with resemblances to many movements in modern art and could be a revelation to both artists and critics. The show will continue through April 30. It is open daily from 10 a.m. to 12 a.m. and from 3 to 7 p.m. and from 9 to 11 p.m.



FACE OF A MADMAN — Haunting dark eyes in an empty head reveal the feeling of one of the artists whose work is now on display at the Palazzo Reale in Milan. All of the paintings and sculpture in the show, titled "Art and Madness," are by inmates of mental asylums



VISITING ROME are William McAndrew, vice president of NBC News, and his wife, shown just after their arrival from Paris via Alitalia. McAndrew plans to meet with various newsmen and personalities in the Eternal City and confer with Rome correspondent Irving R. Levine

Via Venetopics

Glasses will be raised on the Via Veneto today in toast to la bella Roma herself, marking her 2717th birthday and hardly showing her age at all. Flags will be raised and monuments lighted in her honor and the official celebration of her anniversary will be marked at 7:30 p.m. on Capitol Hill by the mayor and other city officials . . . **Jean-Paul Sartre's** controversial play, "Les Mains Sales," opened at the Quirino Theater Saturday night in the much talked-about production by the Teatro Stabile of Turin. It was generally liked by audience and critics though perhaps the reception was not as enthusiastic a when it first opened in Turin . . . **Annie Girardot** back from Paris and retakes on her movie "L'Autre Femme." She also talked about her role in **Arthur Miller's** "After The Fall" in which she is due to star this fall with **Serge Reggiani** . . . the concerts planned by the Virtuosi of Rome at St. Cecilia Academy have been canceled. Replacing them on Friday will be the Bratislav Chamber Orchestra, while the **Luca Marenzio** Sextet will substitute for them on April 28 . . . Spanish actor **Ruiz Ballesterece** seen at the Hilton . . . artist **Federico Spoltore** will talk to the press and public about his recent work at a conference to be held at the Foreign Press Club on Friday at 6:30 p.m. . . . Princess **Maria Pignatelli di Monteroduni** staying at the Excelsior . . . paintings by **Fausta Beer** on show at the Cassapanca Gallery . . . **Mark Forrest** due in Rome early next month from the U.S. to star in "Hercules Against the Children of the Son" which will also feature **Angela Rhu, Giuliano Gemma** and **German Grech** . . . American actress **Arlene Avril** celebrating her birthday this evening with a dinner party at the Embassy Restaurant. Among those expected to be on hand are Marquis **Luca Rinaldo degli Albizi**, Count and Countess **Hubert Monthe**, Count **Giorgio Borgogelli**, Dr **Hugo Bozzi, Marion Svoboda** of Air India, **Rosanna Mattaroni** and **Virginia Bell** . . . the mob scene by Rome's Regina Coeli Saturday night was not because of the prison at all but because of the cocktail inauguration of the Eternal City's newest art gallery, the Carpine. The beautifully-designed three-floor gallery was packed for about four hours and it seems as though most of Rome must have passed through at one time or another. Among those we noted were American writer **Bill Manville** and his wife, **Nancy**, experimental psychologist **Donna Gould**, painter **Sinisca** (it was his show that opened the gallery), artist **Irma Cavat**, artist **Stella Amfitheotrof** (who will have the next show) and a score of personalities from the entertainment world.

Here And There

Today is Kartini Day for the people of Indonesia, both here in Italy and at home, and it is being marked as one more milestone in the struggle for the emancipation of Indonesian women. Raden Adjeng Kartini, the woman who pioneered the idea of women's rights in Indonesia, was born on April 21, 1879 . . . Italian actor **Gabriele Tinti** and Brazilian actress **Norma Benguel** were married this past weekend in a civil ceremony in Sao Paulo, Brazil. Miss **Benguel** is known here for her roles in "Il Mafioso" and "Cuori Infranti." The newlyweds plan a short holiday in Rio de Janeiro and will then come to Italy to be married again — this time in a religious ceremony . . . socialite Mrs **Janne Barrett** of Chicago staying at the Hilton . . . American singer **Paul Anderson Smith**, who lives in Rome, presented a recital of classics and Negro spirituals at the Town Hall in Zurich Sunday evening . . . **Abdorreza Pahlevi**, brother of the Shah of Iran, left Rome via KLM for Amsterdam this past weekend to take part in an international conference on hunting . . . paintings by **Remigio Clementoni** now on exhibition at the San Marco Gallery in Rome . . . 12 Italian actors appearing as American MPs in "Marriage — Italian Style" which is being filmed in Naples, have had their long hair shorn to crewcut style by director **Vittorio De Sica**. **De Sica** decided they just couldn't look like GI's with GI haircuts . . . **Liz Taylor** and **Richard Burton** due to start filming of the $8 million "Sands of the Kalahari" in South Africa in August, says producer **Stanley Baker** . . . Count **Adriano Foscari** has checked in at the Excelsior in Rome . . . Britain will issue five special commemorative Shakespeare stamps on Thursday, the 400th anniversary of the Bard's birth.



KARTINI

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'Desperate Hours' To Be Performed At Vicenza Theater

(Special to the Daily American)

VICENZA, April 20 — "The Desperate Hours," by Joseph Hayes, will be presented by the Vicenza Community Theater of the US Army's Southern European Task Force Caserma Ederle, on April 27, 28, 29 at the Dependent School Gymnasium in Caserma Ederle at 8:30 p.m.

Donald Engeman, Jan Lincoln, Jimmy Kelly, and Jan Ostermeier will be seen as the members of the family threatened by criminals.

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