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Mr. David E. Finley, Director of the National Gallery of Art, announces a series of four lectures on the District of Columbia to be held at the Gallery in connection with the celebration of Washington's Sesquicentennial. These lectures will be presented in the auditorium at 4 p.m. Sunday afternoons throughout May. For the first of the series, Lois A. Bingham will talk on the architecture of the city, from old Georgetown houses to government buildings. On May 14th, Elisabeth Puckett's topic will be the murals in government buildings, ranging from the early oil paintings of the Capital to the flourishing era of the WPA. Margaret Bouton offers the third lecture on May 21, which focuses attention on the sculpture decorating Federal buildings and parks. On May 28, H. Paul Caemmerer, Secretary, National Commission of Fine Arts, will present the last talk in the series, "Our National Capital, its Plan and Development."