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Sent a note to Editor of Life magazine as follows: On page 72 (Life, June 27, Unspoiled Wonders of a living wilderness) is a panorama of mountain peaks labelled "still unnamed". The prominent peak, mirrored in Lake Schrader, was named Mount Mary in 1952. The Arctic of Northern Alaska, so beautifully illustrated in Life, is being changed rapidly by modern white man. To save this unique living wilderness, the government must immediately set aside a number of areas within the Brooks Range and on the tundra to the north which should be absolutely inviolate to man and to exclude hunting and excessive visitation from all other areas there. See page 295 of accompanying publication for documentation for name of Mount Mary.

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Salwit Lekagul, a student and friend of mine presented me a painting no 600629-1 of a scene on the University of Kansas. This oil painting received first place in student competition at K.U. It is a style of painting developed in the last third of the 19th Century, characterized by short strokes of bright colors used to create the impression of light on leaves. It is a good example of impressionism. Salwit has painted many scenes of his native home in Bangkok, Thailand. His father is a surgeon and is a conservationist and student of mammals & birds.