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Thomas Hart Benton steps back to gain perspective on the mural "Independence and the Opening of the West" he is painting in the lobby of the Harry S. Truman Library, Independence, Missouri. Printed from slide no. 7 (SL2504) of 22 original slides copied and returned to the photographer. From: Charles Shangler. Please credit Charles Shangler as the photographer.

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8x10 inches (21x26 cm)      Color

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**People Pictured** Benton, Thomas Hart, 1889-1975

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