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SCHOOLBOYS' ART CONTEST

GIRLS - FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD

SIR GERALD KELLY TO PRESENT CUP

Three girls - aged 10, 14 and 13 years respectively - have won the first three prizes in the Schoolboy's Own Exhibition Art Contest for 1955.

They are:

First: Johanna Bryant (10) of St. Mary's

Convent, Ascot.

Second: Barbara Chater (14) of Whytleafe County School for Girls, Whytleafe

Hill, Whytleafe, Surrey.

Third: Rita Brown (13) of St. Andrew's

School, Kimbarton Road, Bedford.

The first prize - an inscribed cup to be held by Johanna's school for 12 months - will be presented to her by Sir Gerald Kelly, last year's President of the Royal Academy, at the Schoolboy's Exhibition, at the New Horticultural Hall, Westminster, at 6.30 p.m. tonight.

Sir Gerald will also present individual prizes to the three girls.

Five thousand schools throughout Britain were invited to submit one entry each to represent the school, and the organisers decided to invite girls' schools to compete because "it has been found that feminine competition stimulates the boys to greater effort and results in a higher standard of work."

The judges - Mr. J. E. Russell, Art Master of St.

Dunstan's School, Catford, S.E.6., and Mr. Duncan

Guthrie, Director of the National Fund for Polio Research selected the winning entries and fifteen consolation

prizes without knowing whether they were from girls' or
boys' schools.

The fifteen consolation prizes were all boys' schools. Johanna Bryant, who will be accompanied at the presentation by her father and mother, Colonel and Mrs. Bryant, of "Shaggs", East Lulworth, Dorset, has been a pupil at St. Mary's Convent since 1952.

Commenting on her work, her Art Mistress says:

"She is an intelligent child, keenly interested in art
and works out her ideas with an ability unusual at her
age."

Mrs. Bryant is a former pupil at the Convent and she too had considerable art talent.

This is the first time Barbara Chater, of 93 Sundale Avenue, Selsdon, Surrey, has entered an art contest and, very thrilled at being a winner, she hopes it will not be her last.

Winners of Consolation Prizes were:

Peter Bulley. 102 years. Southborough County Primary School, Loose Road, Maid-stone, Kent.

Victor Clube. St. John's School, Leatherhead.

M. Palmer. 10 years. Alderbrook Primary School, Alderbrook.

Godfrey Eke.

Ashmead School, Northumberland
Avenue, Reading.

Richard Marshall. 102 years. Kite Hill School, Oakwood Avenue, Purley, Surrey.

A. Childs. 16 years. Dunstable School, Dunstable.

Roger Durbin 16 years Gravesend School of Art, Gravesend.

J. Osborne. 15 years. High School for Boys, Cricklewell Chase, Southend-on-Sea, Essex. Kevin Bartlett. 103 years. Arcdeacon Cambridge's School, Vicarage Road, Twickenham. G. J. Veness 15 years. Loxford County Secondary School, Eton Road, Ilford, Essex. Sidney Fullarton. 13 years. Tweeddale School, Paisley Road, Carshalton, Surrey. J. Blackwood. 14 years. Price's School, Fareham, Hampshire. T. Craske. 13 years. Oldborough Manor Secondary School, Maidstone, Kent. Paul Woodley. Wellingborough School, Northants. 11 years. 8 years. Hadleigh Boys' School, Suffolk. David Harris

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