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WASHINGTON, D.C., February 15: John Walker, Director of the National Gallery of Art, announced today that Wilmarth S. Lewis, of Farmington, Connecticut, will deliver the ninth annual series of the A. W. Mellon Lectures in the Fine Arts. The series of six lectures will be delivered in the auditorium of the National Gallery of Art, beginning on Sunday, February 21, at 4 p.m. and continuing on successive Sundays through March 27. Admission is free to the public and no tickets are required.

Mr. Lewis is the author of Three Tours Through London in the Years 1748, 1776 and 1797, of Collector's Progress, and of Horace Walpole's Library, and he is the editor of the monumental Yale Edition of Horace Walpole's Correspondence. Mr. Lewis' lectures will discuss Walpole, the eighteenth-century English art collector and man of letters, his family, friends, politics, his home "Strawberry Hill," his works, and his correspondence.

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