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Dear Mr. Peapke:-

The wonderful Atlas has come and I do thank you greatly for sending it to me. My minute contribution to the Conference on Photography hardly justified my being so awarded, but I assure you that it finds a welcome spot in my library and it will be shown on many occasions.

Many of us were sorely disappointed that the Conference on Photography met so sudden a fate, particularly in view of the wonderful meeting we had to plan the next year. I still hope that the rest of us can revitalize it soon. What was the matter with the New York photographers? I shall never forget Beaumont Newhall's enthusiasm as we left your house the day we planned the following year!

Ever since the conference I have been working very hard indeed on my Navaho book. It is nearing completion, and is due out for next Christmas' market. It will be my pleasure to send you a copy when it is off the press.

I wish I were able to order several Atlases as Christmas presents. But until my book is finished, I must forego such purchases. And again my thanks for including me and I assure you the Atlas has an ardent admirer.
Sincerely yours