

March 12.

Dear Ansel:-

For weeks I have been trying to get a letter off and not having a secretary I just never get all the way around during one day. I am hoping that my outside interest (the Indian Arts Fund) will be all wound up before long and I can give my entire time to my own affairs, goodness knows they need it.

I received the Polaroid Camera a month ago. Just two or three days after it came, I had a job, a stiff one, to make 3 mm color negative slides of the material in this Norwegian show at the Folk Art. I believe the material is now in San Francisco. Anyway I found the Polaroid of the greatest use in determining whether my lighting on the tapestries was even, and I was using it every day. I finished the job, the P.M. of Feb. 29th. I took one load of equipment out to my car. There was much snow on the ground. I must have put the Polaroid Camera on my fender as I feed hands to open the door. Then someone called me. I went back in the Museum, talked for sometime, picked up the rest of my staff and went out to the car. Made one stop at the grocery shop on my way to the P.O. Remember locking the car at the grocery but was only in the P.O. long enough to get my mail. Got home and unloaded, no Polaroid. My first thought was that I had left it at the Museum. It was after hours, and I went up the next morning and it was not to be found. I remarked that I wondered if I could have done the bone head trick of leaving it on my fender. Julie Hererra said "no I watched you load and wondered how you would open your door. You

of sending her my greetings for her show.
I know it was a good idea to have the car and I know it was a good idea to have seen it to open.
for the moment that I had made two trips out with equipment. I reported the camera what you did for insurance. (They completely covered it. It looks like a very clever solution of a very difficult assignment and the police a very such a camera was found on the last way I would have quite have traveled you emerge with a photograph. I believe it is on my way to the portfolio of pictures on mine, but that is not in the hands of the big sur, but out to the morning they wanted to publish so far on the way the word orange was later seen on the way the camera arrived and I have just the interior of the house information on to that it never shifts magazine publication. you, someone seem to have accomplished and that it must have left it on had a lot of work and worry about the equipment. Having been engaged in conversation with some of the staff between trips. I suppose I forgot where I had put it and just didn't see it. I got in Virginia food. You were you cannot see all of the tender. You were all coming.
is my sad story even before I thank you for sending the camera for which I am so very grateful. In the meantime I am full of embarrassment over such an honest trick with my new equipment and I hate to see the police are bother you with anything like serial number. I hope the camera is somewhere. I will look up the serial number. until I can know what I can do for you. I am sorry now on my dash board. is checked and the "FINDER" the repeating word is checked and the "FINDER" think the back should be checked as to tight leaks. I have two policies which cover this. One for anything taken out of the car and the other on specially listed equipment which has a 30 day clause for new equipment. My agent says they can take care of repairs if this proves to be mine.
Please tell Gerry that I had every intention