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Miss Laura Gilpin
409 Camino del Monte Sol
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Dear Miss Gilpin:

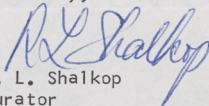
Fred is presently in Southeast Asia on a membership tour, and will not return until late this month. We are horrified to learn of the disappearance of your Navaho photographs. We can always fill a gallery with a part of our permanent collection, and often do when there is an emergency; but replacing your prints will be a tremendous task.

It seems incredible that a sizable shipment could simply vanish into thin air; but it seems wise for us to make other plans, and not hope for its appearance at the last moment.

If we do not hear from you by the end of next week, either to the effect that the Navaho photographs have been found, or that the substitution you mentioned as a possibility has materialized, we shall plan to present something else in that gallery.

We do hope the first reports were overly pessimistic and that your photos return soon from where they were misdirected.

Sincerely,


R. L. Shalkop
Curator

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