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Dear Eliot: -

All good things must end.
We return to Princeton tomorrow.
Peter Bunnell plans to spend
several days at Santa Fe later
this month.

Recently, Celia Ives, wrote me
that plans for completing the
new South Wing of Metropolitan
Museum of Art require closing
Print Dept. next year. A major
corridor will run from head of the
main Stairway right through
the gallery & offices of the Print Dept.
So, all their Exhibitions will be
postponed until after completion
in 1979. So, it looks as if your
Exhibition of Antarctic Photographs
at Cornell Capa's Excellent Gallery
at 5th Ave & 94th St. and publication
of the Antarctic Book will come in
1978. And the Eliot Porter 1926-76
or some such title will be
the opening Exhibition in the

(2) new Brink Dept. galleries in the new South Wing in 1979.

Perhaps, it will be more advantageous ^{for you} to ~~to~~ have successive exhibitions than to have them simultaneous and it removes pressure on you to get all those prints done together. Mrs. Ines sounds very enthusiastic about having your major show in 1979 to open the New Galleries and it gives you ample time to make prints. What do you think?

We'll have time to discuss it on your impending visit. As soon as your dates are finalized, please let me know so I can arrange things for New York, the Century, visit to Barondark which Harold Hachschild is keenly anticipating. Love to Aline and all best wishes. Sincerely,
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