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Truman Michelson Photograph Collection

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	Truman Michelson Photograph Collection
Date:	1910-1931
Identifier:	NAA.PhotoLot.13
Creator:	Michelson, Truman (Photographer) Michelson, Truman (Collector)
Extent:	270 Items (prints) 244 Items (negatives)
Language:	Undetermined .

Administrative Information

Citation

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Biographical / Historical

Truman Michelson was an ethnologist with the Bureau of American Ethnology from 1910 to 1938. His specialty was Algonquian linguistics and culture.

Scope and Contents

Virtually all of the photographs were made by Michelson during his field work. A few items, however, are by D. L. Duvall, De Lancey W. Gill, and others. Most are of Fox subjects, but there are also items identified, some tentatively, as Arapaho, Blackfoot (Piegan), Chippewa, Menominee, Mexican Kickapoo, Micmac, Potawatomi, and Shoshoni. Subjects include portraits, scenic views, Fox pow-wow, man making string figures, la crosse game, Fox basswood bag, gravel pit-burial ground near Strafford, Iowa, and St. Michael's Mission, Ethete, Wyoming.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

- Anishinaabe (Chippewa/Ojibwa)
- Basswood bag -- Fox
- Blackfoot

Chippewa
Fox
Ground -- gravel pit -- Strafford, Iowa
Indians of North America -- Great Basin
Indians of North America -- Great Plains
Indians of North America -- Northeast
Inunaina (Arapaho)
Kickapoo
Lacrosse
Menominee (Menomini)
Meskwaki; Sauk & Fox
Mi'kmaq
Mi'kmaq (Micmac)
Pikuni Blackfeet (Piegan)
Potawatomi
Pow-wow -- Fox
Religion -- St. Michael's Mission -- Ethete, Wyoming
Shoshone
Shoshone
String figures

Cultures:

Anishinaabe (Chippewa/Ojibwa)
Blackfoot
Chippewa
Fox
Indians of North America -- Great Basin
Indians of North America -- Great Plains
Inunaina (Arapaho)
Kickapoo
Menominee (Menomini)
Mi'kmaq (Micmac)
Pikuni Blackfeet (Piegan)
Potawatomi
Shoshone

Places:

Wyoming -- St. Michael's Mission -- Ethete