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Expedition photograph collection

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Museum of the American Indian
Title:	Louis C. G. Clarke Kechipauan Expedition photograph collection
Identifier:	NMAI.AC.001.044
Date:	1923
Creator:	Museum of the American Indian, Heye Foundation Lothrop, S. K. (Samuel Kirkland), 1892-1965 (Photographer) Coffin, Edwin F. (Edwin Francis), b. 1883 (Photographer)
Extent:	152 Photographic prints 4 Negatives (photographic) 140 Copy negatives
Language:	English .
Summary:	Field photography from the 1923 Louis C. G. Clarke Kechipauan Expedition at the Kechipauan ruins on the A:shiwí (Zuni) Reservation in New Mexico.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Field photographs came to the Museum of the American Indian, Heye Foundation along with the collections in 1923.

Related Materials

The archaeological materials for this collection are in the NMAI archaeology collection with catalog numbers 12/3829 – 12/3911; 12/4834.

Processing Information

This collection is still in need of processing. Collection record written by Rachel Menyuk, Processing Archivist, in 2019.

Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); Louis C. G. Clarke Kechipauan Expedition photograph collection. Item Number; National Museum of the American Indian Archive Center, Smithsonian Institution.

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Biographical / Historical

The Louis C. G. Clarke Kechipauan Expedition happened concurrently with the Hendricks-Hodge Hawikku (Hawikuh) archaeological expedition on the A:shiwí (Zuni) Reservation in New Mexico. Though there had been some preliminary archaeological work conducted by the Museum of the American Indian, Heye Foundation (MAI) in 1919, in 1923 a more substantial joint expedition was conducted by the MAI and Louis C. G. Clarke, director of the Cambridge University Museum in England. The expedition was under the direct supervision of Samuel K. Lothrop. Kechipauan (Kechipawan) was a neighboring A:shiwí (Zuni) Pueblo to Hawikku in the Ojo Caliente Valley. For more information about the history of Kechipauan see "The Age of the Zuni Pueblo of Kechipauan" by Frederick Webb Hodge in *Indian Notes*, Volume III, No. 2.

Scope and Contents

The photographs in this collection include field photography from the Louis C. G. Clarke Kechipauan Expedition shot by Edwin C. Coffin and Samuel K. Lothrop in 1923. This includes images of rooms, trenches, kivas in addition to general views of the site. There are several photographs which include images of burial and human remains which are restricted due to cultural sensitivity. The majority of the photographs are photographic prints, which later had copy negatives made during a large photograph conservation project in the 1960s. There were 30 negatives that arrived with the prints in 1923 but it appears the majority of these were destroyed in 1959, possibly because they were nitrate. Some, but not all of these negatives, had copy prints made before they were destroyed.

Scope and Contents

N08561 - N08590, P05197 - P05348, N21049 - N21051, N35572 - N35597, N35600 - N35699, N35800 - N35813.

Arrangement

Arranged by catalog number.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

A:shiwí (Zuni)
Archeology -- Southwest

Excavations (Archaeology) -- New Mexico
New Mexico
Photographs

Cultures:

A:shiwi (Zuni)

Names:

University of Cambridge. University Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology