

7 November, 1969.

Mrs. Dorothy VanArsdale,
Travelling Exhibits,
Smithsonian Institution,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. VanArsdale:

I promised that I would let you know which old photographs in the Smithsonian Archives we chose for possible use in the travelling exhibit on Alaskan totem poles. Dennis Demmert and I looked through the Haida and Tlingit files and decided upon the following list:

Haida

Old Kasaan:

3887
45, 123 C
4320
43,549 B
43,549 C

Tlingit

Tongass:

34,497 D
34,497 C

Cape Fox Village:

43,548 A
43,548 H
45,124 D

I don't know the arrangement by which you obtain such photographs from the archives, but if the traffic will bear it I know that Dennis would like to have additional copies for use in the new facility in Ketchikan, and I would also like copies.

The totem pole in the basement of the Natural History building which we suggested might be used for the opening of the show is one collected by Krieger from Old Kasaan in 1926. It is well known to Dr. Sturtevant and Dr. Phebus. It is presently cut into four segments, but these in themselves make very impressive exhibits.

I hope all goes well with the project.

Yours sincerely,

Wilson Duff,
Associate Professor.

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