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Title Statement

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Descriptive Summary

Unit ID

WLU.Coll.0490

Unit ID

/repositories/5/resources/1288

Unit Date

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Language

English

Extent

0.01 Linear Feet

Repository

Washington and Lee University, University Library Special Collections and Archives

Administrative Information

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Purchased in 2025

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Content Description

This collection contains images of Native American/Indigenous people. The subjects photographed include men, women, and children. The images are described at the folder level.

Description of Subordinate Components

Photographs

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/32615

Unit Date circa 1860s, circa late 19th century

Mixed Materials [35101206592375] Manuscripts Small Collections Box 1 (box)

Container 31 (folder)

Scope and Contents

The folder contains the following images:

1. Carte de visite photograph of an Indigenous man holding a shotgun taken in a studio. He is wearing traditional clothing with an elaborate headdress. He appears crouched and looking into the distance and ready to aim his shotgun.
2. An albumen photograph on a black card mount showing an Indigenous women holding a small child. The women has a thick striped blanket wrapped around her shoulders. She and the child are posed on a rocky hillside with trees visible behind them. Circa late 19th century
3. Albumen photograph on grey cardstock of an Indigenous Native American or Mexican man. The man is wearing typical Western wear: dark trousers and white shirt with suspenders, silk kerchief, and cowboy hat. On verso is marked "Lizzie Dich, Decatur, Nebraska, June 4, 1932." Circa late 19th century

Photographs

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/32616

Unit Date circa 1900, 1907

Mixed Materials [35101206592375] Manuscripts Small Collections Box 1 (box)

Container 32 (folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder includes the following images:

1. Stereoview image of Navajo people sold by E. L. Clement of Chicago. Inscription reads "123 Navajo Indians Foltz Arz." The Navajo people are lined up seated against a wall. One young man is standing near the right edge of the photo, and there is a packhorse in the background. They seem to be seeking refuge from the sun. Circa 1900
2. Stereoview image of Chief Louison photographed inside his teepee. He is wearing a war bonnet and shield heavily decorated with eagle feathers. Copyrighted 1907