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RAYMOND BABY PHOTOGRAPHIC COLLECTION

1940

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HISTORY

Photographs most likely belonging to Raymond Baby.

Raymond S. Baby (pronounced "Bobby") was born in Cleveland, Ohio in 1917. He attended the Western Reserve University and earned a B.S. degree in anatomy. He pursued graduate studies at the University of New Mexico, but did not earn a postgraduate degree. In 1940 he participated as an auditor in an Advanced Field Session at Chaco Canyon. The 1940 session excavated site BC-53, a project documented in this photographic collection. Baby's field notes on BC-53 have been digitized by the Chaco Digital Initiative and are available at http://www.chacoarchive.org/docs/000063_complete.pdf

Baby was hired by the Ohio Historical Society in 1946 to conduct an archaeological survey of the Delaware Reservoir area. In 1947, he became a full-time assistant in archaeology and in the following year he replaced Richard Morgan as curator of archaeology. During the 1960s and 70s, Baby taught classes in Ohio archaeology at The Ohio State University. Many of his students assisted in excavations and some went on to careers in archaeology.

Baby's most significant contributions to Ohio archaeology include his collaboration with Olaf Prufer, of Kent State University, on the first major synthesis of the Paleoindians of Ohio and his work with William S. Webb, University of Kentucky, on refining our understanding of the Adena culture. Baby also collaborated with James Brown, Northwestern University, on new interpretations of the Mound City Group.

Baby retired from the Ohio Historical Society in 1979 accepting an appointment as curator emeritus. He died in 1982.

These photographs, negatives and lantern slides were discovered by a curator at the Ohio Historical Society in May 2009. The curator had no background information about the materials besides the descriptive information recorded on the backs of some of the photographs. The Ohio Historical Society sent these materials to the Hibben Center where it was deduced that they had belonged to Raymond Baby by F. Joan Mathien.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

RAYMOND BABY PHOTOGRAPHIC COLLECTION 1940

COLLECTION NUMBER 0049

CATALOG NUMBER CHCU 52718

DESCRIPTION Photographs, negatives and lantern slides depicting excavations in Chaco Canyon. Majority are of site BC-53.

Photographs are in good condition. Titles for photographs encompass what is written on the backs of the prints. When back of photograph provides no information, archivist-assigned title appears between brackets [].

Neg #s: 93001-93084

ORGANIZATION [Organization] [Arrangement] Park catalog numbers were assigned for tracking and filing purposes and cross-referenced to the inventory. Photographs and their matching negatives/lantern slides were cataloged using the same number.

Film negatives placed in cold storage August 2011

PROVENANCE Raymond Baby, Ohio Historical Society

RESTRICTIONS NO

ASSOCIATED MATERIALS 7 prints and 6 nitrates of Mesa Verde were removed from the collection for transfer to MEVE.

ITEM LEVEL DESCRIPTIONS

Item Nbr: 93001

Title: [EXCAVATION]

Item Nbr: 93002

Title: [CLOSE UP WALL]

Item Nbr: 93003

Title: [BEGINNING OF BURIAL EXCAVATION]

Item Nbr: 93004

Title: [BEGINNING OF BURIAL EXCAVATION]

Item Nbr: 93005

Title: HOUSE. SHABIKESHCHEE VILLAGE

Phys Desc: SHABIKESHCHEE VILLAGE

Item Nbr: 93006

Title: BC-53

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93007

Title: PUEBLO BONITO

Phys Desc: PUEBLO BONITO

Item Nbr: 93008

Title: BC-53

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93009

Title: JOHN DEACON. PUEBLO BONITO

Phys Desc: PUEBLO BONITO

Item Nbr: 93010

Title: BC-53 FILLED DOOR W. WALL OF RM 2

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93011

Title: BC-53 FILL IN N. WALL RM 2

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93012

Title: BASKET MAKER III SITE, LARGO CANYON

Phys Desc: LARGO CANYON

Item Nbr: 93013

Title: BASKET MAKER III SITE SHOWING THE OUTLINE OF STRUCTURES, LARGO CANYON

Phys Desc: LARGO CANYON

Item Nbr: 93014

Title: WALT TAYLOR AT BC-53 KIVA B

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93015

Title: BC-53 60 RM 2. ARROW INDICATES MATTING AND TWO SUPPORTING STICKS FOR COVERING OF CIST

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93016

Title: BC-53 KIVA A

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93017

Title: CHACO CANYON

Phys Desc: CHACO CANYON

Summary Notes: Many people in this photograph

Item Nbr: 93018

Title: SHABIKESHCHEE VILLAGE

Phys Desc: SHABIKESHCHEE VILLAGE

Item Nbr: 93019

Title: SHABIKESHCHEE VILLAGE

Phys Desc: SHABIKESHCHEE VILLAGE

Item Nbr: 93020

Title: [2 PEOPLE]

Item Nbr: 93021

Title: CHACO CANYON

Phys Desc: CHACO CANYON

Item Nbr: 93022

Title: CHACO CANYON

Phys Desc: CHACO CANYON

Item Nbr: 93023

Title: SALT POINT SITE LARGO CANYON NM BIII

Phys Desc: LARGO CANYON

Item Nbr: 93024

Title: HUNGO PAVE P3 RUIN

Phys Desc: HUNGO PAVE

Item Nbr: 93025

Title: BC-53 LOOKING SW

Phys Desc: BC-53

Series Nbr:

Item Nbr: 93026

Title: [MATTING]

Phys Desc:

Item Nbr: 93027

Title: BC-53 MORGAN AND TWO LITTLE POTS WITH BURIAL (60)

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93028

Title: TYPE MASONRY BC-53

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93029

Title: [CORNER]

Phys Desc:

Item Nbr: 93030**Title:** P1 PUEBLO ABOVE HOGAN 4 AT CAMP**Phys Desc:**

Item Nbr: 93031**Title:** HUNGO PAVE**Phys Desc:** HUNGO PAVE

Item Nbr: 93032**Title:** BC-53 LOOKING EAST**Phys Desc:** BC-53

Item Nbr: 93033**Title:** [CHACO LANDSCAPE]

Item Nbr: 93034**Title:** BC-53 RM 2**Phys Desc:** BC-53**Summary Notes:** Burial

Item Nbr: 93035**Title:** [BC-53 RM 2 BURIAL]**Phys Desc:** BC-53**Summary Notes:** Same pic as 93034?

Item Nbr: 93036**Title:** BC-53 MR. TAYLOR, MRS. SUNDERLAND**Phys Desc:** BC-53

Item Nbr: 93037**Title:** BC-53 RM 6**Phys Desc:** BC-53

Item Nbr: 93038**Title:** BC-53 RM 2 BURIAL**Phys Desc:** BC-53

Summary Notes: Burial

Item Nbr: 93039

Title: BC-53 START OF EXCAVATION RM 2 SHOWING THE TRENCH TO LOCATE WALLS

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93040

Title: BC-53

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93041

Title: BC-53 SLAB OF BURIAL 60 RM 6. MORGAN ALSO IN PICTURE

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93042

Title: BC 53 60 RM 2

Phys Desc: BC-53

Summary Notes: Burial. Almost identical to 93003

Item Nbr: 93043

Title: BC-53 KIVA B MRS FRANK ROBERTS JR.

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93044

Title: [CHACO FIELD SCHOOL ENTRANCE]

Phys Desc:

Item Nbr: 93045

Title: ARTIFACTS FROM BC-53. TYPICAL OF THE FINDS

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93046

Title: BC-53 LOOKING EAST

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93047

Title: BC-53 FOUND WITH BURIAL 60 RM 6

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93048

Title: JOHN DEACON HOLDING 50 LB HAMMER

Phys Desc:

Item Nbr: 93049

Title: BOTANY GROUP, DR. CASTETTER

Phys Desc:

Item Nbr: 93050

Title: BC-53 60 RM 6

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93051

Title: [CLOSE UP WALL]

Phys Desc:

Item Nbr: 93052

Title: MORGAN, STAN, GREENWOOD

Phys Desc:

Item Nbr: 93053

Title: PUEBLO BONITO JACK ANDERSON

Phys Desc: PUEBLO BONITO

Item Nbr: 93054

Title: PABLO YEPA, JEMEZ INDIAN

Item Nbr: 93055

Title: THE GREAT WALL PUEBLO BONITO

Phys Desc: PUEBLO BONITO

Item Nbr: 93056

Title: PUEBLO BONITO FROM THREATENING ROCK

Phys Desc: PUEBLO BONITO

Item Nbr: 93057

Title: W. PATCHED WALL RM 2 BC-53

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93058

Title: MR AND MRS FRANK J ROBERTS JR. ON BC-53

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93059

Title: BC-53 GENERAL VIEW OF SITE AS EXCAVATION BEGINS

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93060

Title: BC-53

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93061

Title: "DOC"

Phys Desc:

Item Nbr: 93062

Title: BC-53 MORGAN AND GREENWOOD

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93063

Title: BC-53 RM 6 POTS FROM 60

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93064

Title: BC-53 RM 6: BURIAL, CHILD, WITH MINIATURE VESSELS (2), UNDER SLAB (?) IN SW CORNER (SIDE SHOT)

Dates: 1940

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93065

Title: BC-53 RM 6: BURIAL, CHILD, WITH MINIATURE VESSELS (2), UNDER SLAB (?) IN SW CORNER

Dates: 1940

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93066

Title: BC-53 RM 6: BURIAL, CHILD, SOMEWHAT DISTURBED.
Dates: 1940
Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93067
Title: BC-53 GENERAL DIG SECOND WEEK FROM TALUS AT BASE OF S WALL OF CANYON
Dates: 1940
Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93068
Title: BC-53 RM 6: FIRST BURIAL, CHILD, BEING EXCAVATED
Dates: 1940
Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93069
Title: BC-53 RM 2: SHOWING STEP AT WEST SIDE OF ROOM AND FLOOR LEVEL OF REST OF ROOM
Dates: 1940
Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93070
Title: BC-53 RM 2: BURIAL, ADULT, ON FLOOR IN NE CORNER. HEAD TO SOUTH
Dates: 1940
Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93071
Title: [BC-53 BURIAL, CHILD]
Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93072
Title: CHACO CANYON, NM, PUEBLO BONITO
Phys Desc: PUEBLO BONITO

Item Nbr: 93073
Title: PUEBLO BONITO LOOKING SE
Phys Desc: PUEBLO BONITO

Item Nbr: 93074
Title: [BURIAL]

Phys Desc: BC-53

Item Nbr: 93075

Title: SALT PT. SITE, LARGO CANYON, NM. UPRIGHT SLABS OF SUB. TER. ROOM

Phys Desc: LARGO CANYON

Item Nbr: 93076

Title: [MESA CHACO CANYON]

Phys Desc: CHACO CANYON

Item Nbr: 93077

Title: [TOWN]

Item Nbr: 93078

Title: [DOUBLE EXPOSURE]

Item Nbr: 93079

Title: [HOGANS]

Item Nbr: 93080

Title: [HOGANS]

Item Nbr: 93081

Title: [HOGANS]

Item Nbr: 93082

Title: [PEOPLE]

Item Nbr: 93083

Title: [TOWN - CUBA?]

Phys Desc: CUBA?

Item Nbr: 93084

Title: [PEOPLE]
