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Mr. Austin Post
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Dear Austin:

Enclosed is a copy of a summary that Charlie has written on our photo indexing methodology. We will probably publish it in a future issue of Glaciological Data when we discuss the activities of the WDC. If you have any comments, we would appreciate having them.

In your progress report of 9 April to George Smith, you mention that one of your part-time people has been compiling a set of index maps of Western North America updated to show the latest official glacier names from various data sources. Is this work anything different from the updating you did on our maps when you were here in January of 1978? If so, perhaps the Data Center ought to receive a duplicate?

We received the first two boxes of Johnson glass plate negatives and discovered that eight of the plates were cracked. The boxes were so well packed when Dave sent them to us, that I suspect the breakage might have taken place when they were shipped to you. We have just received the next set from Dave, but Charlie is on vacation this week and has not yet had a chance to check them. According to Johnson's letter of 18 November 1978 there is apparently a print already in existence for each of the negatives. He also mentions in the same letter a negative file of about 100 post card size negatives for pictures taken in the Mount Rainier area by Mathes in 1910 and 1911. He indicates that a complete set of the mounted prints would be sent to you in the near future. Is this a collection that should come to us? If so, perhaps we should get the ball moving on this also.

Needless to say, we are glad to finally see the \$9,000 from your climate program money. Hope your spring weather up there is as fine as it is here!

Sincerely,

Marilyn J. Shartran
Manager