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A Collection of
Photographs
of the Navajo and
Hopi Country
1922-1932



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THESE SCENES of the Grand Canyon country, the Hopi Mesas and the northwestern Navajo Reservation, were taken in the nineteen-twenties and early thirties when I lived there and traded at our Shonto Trading Post nestled in the high mesas west of Tsegi Canyon.

The camera I used for most of these photographs was an old Eastman postcard-size Kodak, although I did take some after 1928 with a small Graflex. My only thought was to catch a true reflection of Reservation life around me during the years I lived among the Navajos and Hopis. Many of these photographs are among the large number to be reproduced in my book *NAVAJO TRADING DAYS*, which is being published by the University of New Mexico Press.

As the original negatives were destroyed years ago, these prints are from copies and new negatives were made for the enlargements in 1961 by H. Caplin of New Mexico. — *E.C.H.*