View of Sherman Peak, the highest point on the Lolo Trail, from the west. Clark recorded on September 18, 1805: "... from the top of a high part of the mountain at 20 miles I had a view of an emence Plain and leavel Countrey to the S.W. & West." Note the burned over timber in this area. Photograph by Ray H. Mattison, July 1958. Negative in Region Two Office Library, Omaha, Nebraska

This photograph shows the high, rugged landscape of the Bitterroot Mountains of Idaho along the route of the Lolo Trail. The trail passed along the high backbone of the mountain divide between the North Fork of the Clearwater River on the north and the Lochsa River on the south. The crest of the ridge seen in the left center of the picture,and about two miles away, marks the location of the trail in the vicinity of Indian Post Office. This view looks north. Photograph by Ray H. Mattison, July 1958, National Park Service.

Lolo Trail, Idaho
View of one of the two rock cairns
known as the Indian Post Office.
N.P.S. Photo, 1958

Rock formation near the site of Hot Springs, near which Lewis and Clark camped on the return trip over the Lolo Trail. Lolo Creek may be seen on the right. South view. Photograph by Ray H. Mattison, July, 1958. Negative in Region Two Office Library, Omaha, Nebraska.