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Date: 8/8/2018 9:08:27 AM
Subject: RE: Statehouse Photo

Mr. Varat,

I don't know of anything off the top of my head, but I can check once I am back in the office on Friday. There are a couple of online databases for newspapers you can access. The Library of Congress has [Chronicling America](#) and there is [NewspaperArchive](#) as well. These will access newspapers in other towns like Charleston and Greenville. We have some of our [Columbia](#) photographs digitized and available online. I did a quick subject search of our online [catalog](#) for "capitols—south Carolina". There are a number of hits with some falling in your time period. However, without pulling them, I do not know if the statue appears or not. You are welcome to come over and request to see them yourself before Friday. The postcards listed in the search are currently out for digitization, so we would need advance notice of your visit to pull them.

Yours,
Beth

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From: Danny Varat
Sent: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 4:32 PM
To: BILDERBACK, BETH
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Dear Ms. Bilderback, I work for Lt. Governor Bryant, and I'm writing to ask if y'all might have a picture of the north side of the Statehouse and dated between 1908 and 1915 that shows the Washington statue with an intact cane? You may know of the story that the cane was repaired in 1908-09 but then was damaged again sometime over the next few years, and supposedly by then Governor Cole Blease. I asked for microfilm of The State for those years, hoping for a quick discovery, but that isn't happening, so I thought I'd just ask directly. I'd appreciate any help you can provide.

Danny Varat