

Collections Report

Campbell County Rockpile Museum – October 2022

1. Coal Mine Book

Source: Staff Collected- Gillette, WY

Information: *Peabody Energy Celebrating 125 Years*. This book contains information regarding Peabody Energy's past, present, and future mission.

Recommendation: Add to Museum Staff/Research Collection

2. Sewing Items & Christening Gown

Source: Julie Schmitz– Gillette, WY

Information: Items belonged to donor's aunt and contain numerous wooden spools, as well as a container for ascorbic acid mixture used in canning and freezing fresh fruits. Several spools are kept inside a purple cloth case from 1943, others are inside a J.&P. Coats Big Spool Mercerized Sewing Box, while the rest are separate. Due to lack of provenance within this region, items should be added to Props Collection.

Recommendation: Add to Props Collection

3. Korean War Book

Source: Karen Brigham – Gillette, WY

Information: *Chrysanthemum in the Snow: The Novel of the Korean War* by James Hickey is a fiction story that follows a rifle company's tour of duty in Korea and the trials and bonds they endure. This book was donated after the press release from the Rockpile seeking information and photos of Veterans of the Korean Conflict. While this book does tell a tale about the Korean War, it does not contain any information regarding Veterans in this region that would benefit our collections and research.

Recommendation: Decline