

Collections Report

Campbell County Rockpile Museum – February 2019

1. **Large book of Campbell County maps**
1997 Laminated Campbell County map
2006 Map of Campbell County ranches and roads
2 laminated 1986 maps with listings
2011 Ranches of Campbell County map
2004 Roads, ranches, and mines of Campbell County map
2000 Roads, ranches, and mines of Campbell County map
Vinyl John Doe display with map

These items were all found when the donor was cleaning out the Coroner's office. The vinyl John Doe display was sent to coroner's offices to determine if the deceased could be identified.

Square footage of storage space required: 4 ft²

Recommendation: Add to Education Collection

2. **2 trays from Big Don's Drive In**
Railroad train order hoop

Although it is shaped like a Y, this message stick is also called a hoop. The Y shape was developed to save the operators time walking to collect the sticks after the messages were delivered. It was used by the railroads to communicate orders to the people driving non-stop trains. From the trackside window on the depot, the telegrapher watched for a train and when he saw it he told the dispatcher, who then decided if he wanted to issue a train order. If the dispatcher did, the telegrapher copied it, rolled up the order, and clipped it onto the "Y" shaped train order stick. The telegrapher placed the order in a string and then threaded it around the stick. The stick was held at the edge of the train platform, close enough the trainmen could grab their orders. The telegrapher held the stick and the trainman took only the string with the order attached in a slip knot.

Square footage of storage space required: 9.55 ft²

Recommendation: Add to Education Collection

3. **Book - War Service: University of Wyoming 1917-1918**
Book – The Pilgrim Stranger – W.H. Crow 1949

The *War Service* volume was compiled by the University of Wyoming to create a roster of students and Alumni that served in WWI. *The Pilgrim Stranger*, a book of poetry, was published in Thermopolis Wyoming but does not have a connection to Campbell County.

Square footage of storage space required: 0.41 ft²

Recommendation: Add *War Service* into the Education Collection. Decline *The Pilgrim Stranger*.

4. **Book – Gillette: A Play by William Hauptman 1989**
2018/2019 Yellowbook Rapid City/Gillette phone book

Square footage of storage space required: 0.39 ft²

Recommendation: Accession *Gillette: A Play* into Permanent Collection. Add phone book to Education Collection