

Mary Janette Harvard

Tensleep Ranchwoman Collects Polished Stones From Western States

Polished stones from every western state are included in a collection which is the hobby of Mrs. J. Harvard, who lives on a ranch near Tensleep.

Mrs. Many of them she found on her ranch, but in the bunch there are stones from each of the western states, and her goal is to get one from each state in the union.

She makes a hobby of collecting pretty stones wherever she goes, either a short trip about her ranch or a journey into another state. Included in the collection are agates, jasper, prettified wood, agatized wood, opal, moonstone, sunstone, a fire opal from Australia, and numerous others. She has chipped stone Indian arrowheads, and also steel arrowheads, one of which is still on the shaft, and Indian spearheads and scappers. Her fossil collection includes mainly specimens of marine life found on her ranch.

"The best time to look for pretty stones is just after a rain." Mrs. Harvard explained, "because then they are clean and glisten more."

She takes pride in finding a drab-looking rock and converting it into a beautiful stone by having it polished. She has the prettier stones cut and mounted on rings which she gives to her grandchildren as graduation gifts.

Her collection includes stones from Wyoming, Colorado, Montana, Utah, Nevada, Idaho, Washington, Oregon California, New Mexico, Arizona, Nebraska and South Dakota, but she intends to get a stone from every state.

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Last Rites for Mrs. Harvard

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Jeannette Harvard, 72, who died Thursday of last week, were held at the Methodist church in Ten Sleep Sunday, with Rev. D. M. Kitch in charge. Internment was in the Ten Sleep cemetery.

Mary Jeannette Pettijohn was born Nov. 8, 1868, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pettijohn. She lived in Minnesota and Illinois as a young girl, and then moved to Long Pine, Nebr., where she attended school. She was married in October, 1887 to Sidney F. Harvard. They lived at Long Pine, Nebr. until the summer of 1896.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvard came to Washakie county the same year, settling in the Nowood country, above Ten Sleep, where they engaged in the ranching business. Later they moved to their present ranch, eight miles south of Ten Sleep. Mr. Harvard died in August, 1938. There were ten children born to this union, nine who survive: Clyde Harvard of Ten Sleep; Lewis A. Harvard of Nowater, near Worland; Harry Harvard of Lander; Mrs Nellie Redland of Ten Sleep; Betty Harvard of Worland; Mrs. N. E. Geis of Ten Sleep and Joe Harvard of Ten Sleep; also three brothers survive, Charles Pettijohn and Carl Pettijohn, of O'Neil, Nebr. and Edward Pettijohn of Stewart, Nebr., and 25 grandchildren.

Worland friends join with those of Ten Sleep in extending their sympathy to the Harvard family at this time.

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