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Historical Note
From 1910 through 1995, the United States Bureau of Mines (USBM) provided information to the public on the minerals industry. In September 1995, the Congress voted to abolish the USBM as a budget savings. The main publications of the USBM are the *USBM Bulletin*, *USBM Information Circular*, and the *USBM Report of Investigations*. Most USBM publications published after 1970 are available for purchase from the National Technical Information Service, NTIS. Montana Tech Library has the paper indexes to the Mines collection from 1910 to 1993 and collects most of the publications, which are stored in the government depository section under the Department of the Interior. Contracts to continue the work of the USBM have been awarded to NIOSH (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health), U.S. Department of Energy, U.S. Geological Survey, and the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

Scope and Content
A component of the Department of Energy, the U.S. Bureau of Mines was formed to gather information about the various mining industries in the United States. The U.S. Bureau of Mines Publications contains reports and informational bulletins published by the Bureau between 1919 and 1983. Although the collection's primary focus is on PA, there is a limited amount of material from other coal producing states, including West Virginia and Ohio.

This collection is housed in Stapleton Library Room 301. Series I is contained in archival boxes and Series II are bound publications organized on shelving.


Provenance
Unknown

Restrictions
None

Processor
Date Unknown; Papers arranged and inventory written by Special Collections Staff. Summer 2001; Papers rearranged and inventory rewritten by Special Collections Staff.

Container List

Series I
Box 1 Bureau of mines-Mine Safety Acts, Publications, Information Reports, Mine Safety
Rescue Manuals

1. Office of Mineral Information, United States Department of Interior, Bureau of Mines
3. Title II of the Federal Coal Mine Safety Act (66 Statute 692) or Amended by Public Law 89-376, (80 Statute 84), March 26, 1966 Prevention of Major Disasters in Mines
4. Title 30 Mineral Resources, Chapter 1, Subchapter 3, Part 14 (Bureau of Mines Schedule 21b)
5. Schedule 17 (Bureau of Mines) Procedure for Testing of Explosions for Permeability for use in Gaseous and Purity Coal Mines, 1921, Schedule 17a, 1926
7. Excerpts from Title 30: Part 18, revised July 1, 1977
10. Annual Report, Coal Mine Inspection, January 1 through December 31, 1968; and Annual Coal Mine Inspection January 1, through December 31, 1969
18. Informational Reports by the Treasury Department in the Public Health Bulletin: Review of Carbon Monoxide Poisoning, 1930; Physiological Effects of Exposure to Low Concentrations of Carbon Monoxide, 1922; Effect of Repeated Daily Exposure of Several Hours to Small Amounts of Automobile Exhaust Gas, 1929; and Study in Asphyxia, 1934
19. Drager Review: Journal of Dragerwerk, AG Lubeck, Germany, January 1974, Number 32; June 1974, Number 33; February 1975, Number 35; September 1975, Number 36

Series I
Box 2 United States and International Mining Laws, Regulations, and Safety Standards
3. United States Mining Laws and Regulations: Operating Regulations, Department of Interior, under the Act of February 25, 1920; Mining Laws; State of Missouri; Oklahoma, 1968; Maryland, 1950 and 1967; Ohio, 1960; West Virginia, 1959
5. Coordination of Federal and State Coal Mine Health and Safety Programs with Special References to the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1964, Volume 1, March 1, 1971
10. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Mines, Bituminous Division, Annual
16. Washington State, Industrial Hygiene Survey of Coal Mining Industry
18. Miscellaneous Information: Dust Explosion Hazard in the Manufacturing Of Plastic; Environmental Problems in Underground Mines; Bituminous Coal Facts and Figures 1948
19. Miscellaneous Information Bulletins: The Determination and Control of Industrial Dust, 1935; Fighting and Stealing Fines in Gassy Coal Mines, 1926; Electrical Hazards In Coal Mines, 1945; Processes, Hazards, and Protection involved in the Spraying of Flammable Dedusting Agent, 1938
20. Directory of Educational Institutions Maintaining Departments of Mining Engineering, 1949

Series I
Box 3 Safety Program Reports, Reports on Mine Explosions and Accidents
4. The Origin and Impact of Federal Safety Programs
7. MESA Hearing on Porter Tunnel Mine Disaster, June 7, 1979
8. MESA Hearing on Porter Tunnel Mine Disaster, June 7, 1979
10. Final Report, Mine Explosion Disaster Bell 156 Mine, Louisiana, June 8, 1979


22. Mining Enforcement and Safety Administration Circular Letters Number 1069-1098

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Box 4 Bureau of Mines Reports, Bulletins, and Handbooks File

1. United States Department of Labor, Program Information Bulletins Number 1128-1141
2. United States Department of Labor, Program Information Bulletins Number 1142-1177
5. United States Department of Interior, Mining Enforcement and Safety Administration Circular, Letters Number 1069-1097
8. Early History of the Coke Industry in Western Pennsylvania, Westmoreland; Fayette Branch of the Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania
11. Article taken from the Nippon Times, The Honhaiko Colliery Disaster, 1946
12. Japanese Coal Mining Engineers Society, Namazutu Coal Mines, April 1950
14. Bureau of Mines First Aid Training Course Reports, September 1930
16. Address of John J. Forbes, Director, Bureau of Mines At the Annual Safety Day Meeting, August 9, 1952
23. Proceedings from the Ninth Annual Institute on Coal Mining Health and Safety and Research, 1978
25. Bureau Of Mines, Tenth International Conference of Directors of Safety in Mines Research, October, 1959
26. Tenth International Conference of Directors of Safety in Mines Research Summaries of Papers, October, 1959
31. The American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygiene for Mining and Tunneling", November 1978

Series I
Box 5 Reports, Bulletins, and Conference Proceedings

1. Report for Coal Mining Institute of America "Experience with Roof Bolts Anchored with a
10. Department of Energy, Quarterly Progress Report for the period Ending March 31, 1981, two copies
15. Fifteenth Report, Commission of European Communities, 1979
29. Report to Congress, "Health and Safety Study of Metal and Non-metal Mines
30. Laws Governing the Mining of Coal and Clay, Kentucky, Revised Statutes, 1966, two copies
31. Health and Safety Study of Metal and Non-metal Mines
33. List of Bureau of Mines Publications and Articles, 1961
34. List of Bureau of Mines Publications and Articles, 1963
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Box 6 Bureau of Mines Decisions of the Comptroller General of the United States Annual Reports of Department of Mines, West Virginia

1. Federal Mine and Safety Inspection Amendments of 1949
5. Decisions of the Comptroller General, Volume 45, July 1965
6. Decisions of the Comptroller General, Volume 45, August 1965
7. Decisions of the Comptroller General, Volume 45, November 1965
8. Comptroller General, Volume 45, December 1965
9. Comptroller General, Volume 45, January 1966
10. Comptroller General, Volume 45, May 1966
11. Comptroller General, Volume 46, July 1966
13. Comptroller General, Volume 48, April 1969
15. Ohio Department of Industrial Relations Division of Mines Report, 1970
21. Annual Report Department of Mines of West Virginia, 1963
22. Annual Report Department of Mines of West Virginia, 1964
23. Annual Report Department of Mines of West Virginia, 1965

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Box 7 Books and Handbooks published by the Bureau of Mines

1. Silicosis in the Metal Mining Industry A Revaluation 1958-1961, two copies
2. Experience with Radon Control in Mining, Published for the Bureau of Mines, 1974
7. Mining and Metallurgy Quarterly, November 2, 1969

Series II: Bound publications shelved in Stapleton 301
10. Bureau of Mines, Technical Progress Reports, Volumes 8-113
11. United States Bureau of Mines, Confidential Memoranda, Safety Division, Volumes 1-10