

Collectible items from safety fuse companies are usually difficult to find. Rolls of safety fuse can sometimes be found in garages or attics of mining communities, but most of the safety fuse wrappers and packing containers in collections were found underground in abandoned mines.

Most wrappers which are found are torn and wrinkled because the miners usually just tore open the wrappers, then wadded the paper up and threw it in a corner or waste area. In most mines, only one or two brands of fuse might be found, but sometimes a mine will contain many different brands, often from more than one company.

I would appreciate receiving good photocopies from anyone who has any brands of safety fuse wrappers to better document the variety of brands the different companies manufactured.



## Grasselli Cap Tins

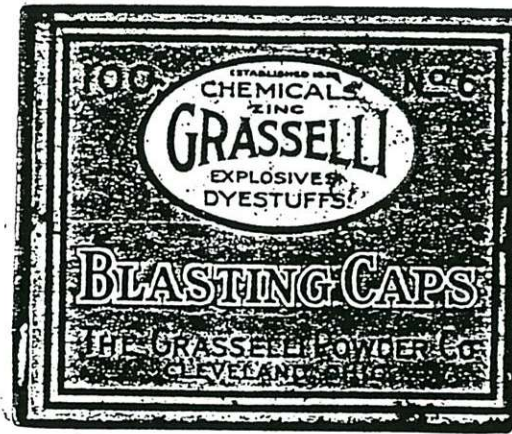
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The Grasselli Powder Company, a subsidiary of the Grasselli Chemical Company, was incorporated in Ohio on July 1, 1917 as a consolidation of the Burton Powder Company, the American High Explosives Company, and the Cameron Powder Manufacturing Company.

No information on its length of existence is known. Shown below are the four different styles of cap tins known from the Grasselli Powder Company.



Lt. Blue, Drk. Blue, White Lettering  
(Ted Bobrink Collection)



Green, Yellow, Blue Lettering  
(Mike McLaughlin Collection)



Lt. Blue, Drk. Blue, White Lettering  
(Mark Bohannon Collection)



Lt. Blue, Green, Drk. Blue Lettering  
(From Andy Martin's Cap Tin Book)