

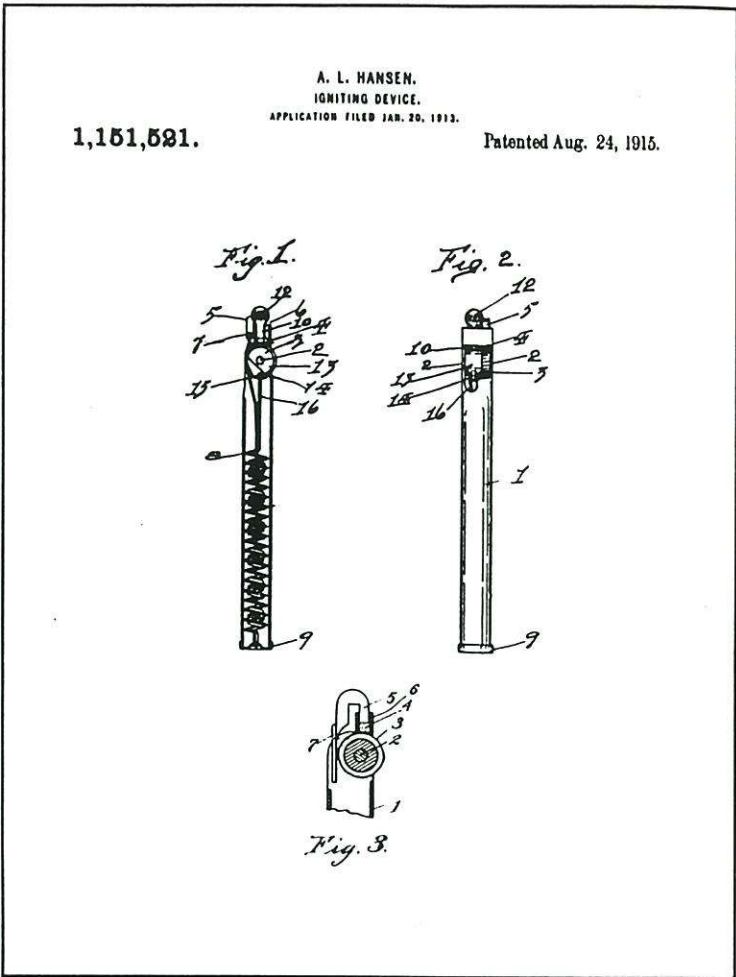
Justrite Lighters

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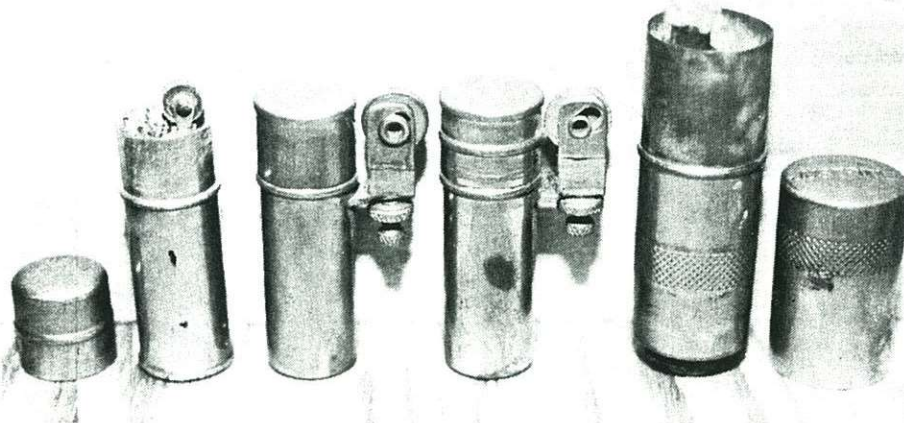
The 1913 Justrite Catalog No. 1 illustrates "The Justrite Gas and Squib Lighter No. 120 - A new idea for lighting squibs - safer than matches - never fail". The same lighter was also advertised as the "No. 120 Fuse Lighter" in an insert included with the Model 85 Pit Lamp (illustration below). In a 1913 Marshall-Wells Hardware catalog it is referred to as a "Vest Pocket Gas Lighter". The Hansen patent shown right was filed in 1913 and granted in 1915. Made of brass with a snap striker, it is 4 1/8" long and 5/16" in diameter. Justrite distributed these items to their dealers on cardboard display cards holding one dozen lighters.



No. 120 FUSE LIGHTER, Price 25c
Extra Flints, 3 for 10 Cents



An example of the No. 120 lighter.



Justrite stamped lighters not found in their mining catalogs.

Justrite produced at least three other lighters (see photo below). Though the Justrite name appears on the bottom of each lighter, I have been unable to find them listed in any of their catalogs. The three shorter lighters are 1 5/16" tall, 5/8" in diameter, made of nickel-plated brass, and patent dated February 21, 1922. This was a William Frisbie patent. Typical of his work, it was a crude design relative to Hansens's No. 120. The taller lighter looks as though it is based upon a Justrite match safe.

All four of these unadvertised lighters were found in the Hurley, Wisconsin area, in the Gogebic Iron Range.