

Ten Pounder

This Shawinigan ten-pound carbide canister was found by Bob Schroth. It is green with white letters. How many others have found cans of this size?



Weird Item

I don't know what it is. It is the size of a one-pound carbide can. It is painted yellow with black printing. What does NOS mean? If you know anything about this please reply. (Bob Schroth).



More on Belt Generators from Thailand

Sometimes bearing the label OKAI, these are the infamous belt generators that gained some interest among the most avid collectors. Some are very primitive, as the lamp on far right, others are reminiscent of Justrite's Acme belt generator. Most are made cheaply, but some are made with better brass and are somewhat sturdy. I have been lucky enough to meet a dealer who has connections with the Far East. She has found several styles of these belt generators, Steven Mc Cabe sent in a photo of one, new in the box and they were described as a mining lamp. I had thought they were some kind of area light used in places with no electricity. Then while looking through a April 1986 Senior Conflow Calendar I found a similar lamp pictured. Over the years, I have had 6 or 7 different lamps. I don't believe any are older than 30yrs, but until more information is found, I guess they are of interest to anyone who collects carbides. (Bob Schroth)

