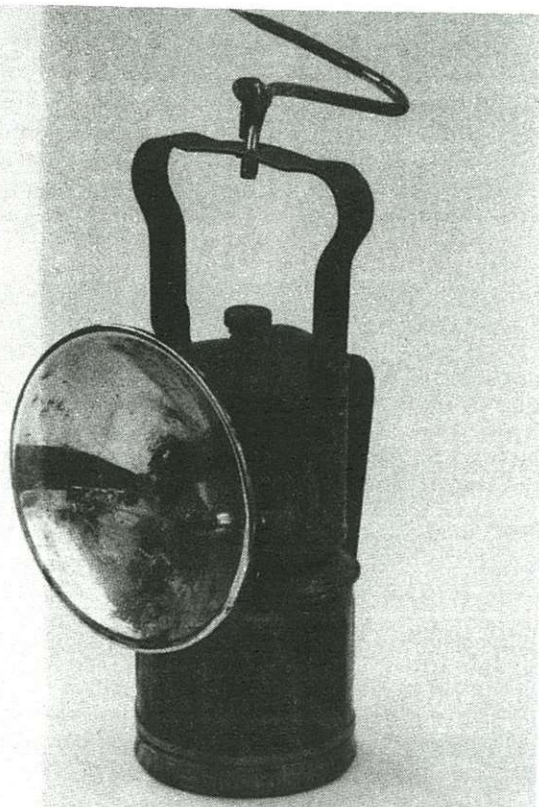


## “Eye Brand” Carbide Hand Lamp

Bob Schroth has acquired the legendary “Eye Brand” hand lamp, pictured below. It appears to be a foreign copy of the late model Justrite. The lamp was covered with green paint which Bob removed revealing brass and chromed steel construction, typical of Butterfly products.



## Collectors Converge upon Errol Christman's Home

On Saturday, February 29th, a number of collectors met at the Christman residence in Cedar Ridge, California. Though only a small informal gathering had been planned, apparently word of the event spread and the turnout was unexpectedly large. Well over thirty collectors and dealers traveled from Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, and southern California to Errol's country home north of Sacramento.

The event was held in the large room over Errol's garage where his massive collection is displayed. Against this backdrop were loads of mining antiques that collectors brought to trade and sell. At nine in the morning deals were beginning to go down. By noon it was like Wall Street. The scene had become a loud intense bartering frenzy. At one point Bob Schroth took center stage auctioning off dozens of items that he swore were owned by the wife of Bodie's mayor. Literally hundreds of items were either sold or traded including a mint Hansen cap lamp, a Hume & Tate folding stick, an Aetna Powder Co. stick, and a mint Gee Bee cap lamp. There were signs, cap tins, oil wicks, parts boxes...everything!

The next gathering at Errol's will take place on Saturday, April 18th. A very special guest will be visiting on that day: the venerable Henry Pohs, editor of *The Underground Lamp Post*. He will be bringing the manuscript for his upcoming "Big Book". All collectors are invited. Lodging is plentiful and inexpensive in the Grass Valley area. For more information and directions, contact Errol Christman (916) 273-3268, or see the enclosed map for our Spring Collector's Swap Meet, also to be held at the Christman estate.



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