

Grier 3-bottom Carrier

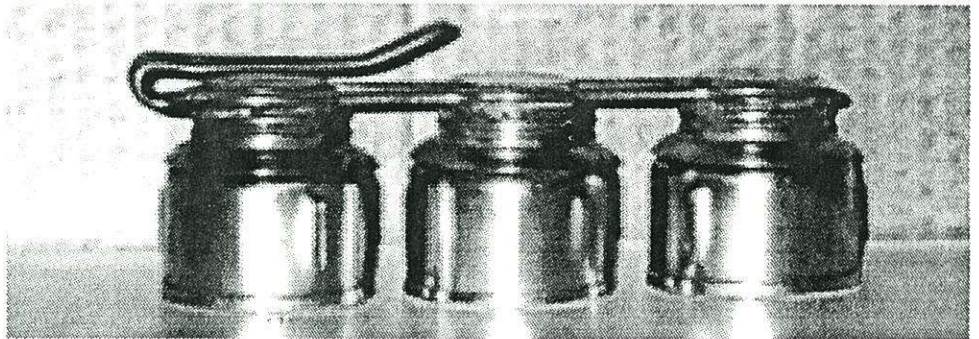
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About a year ago a large number of these in-line carriers suddenly appeared on the market. Their "mass-infusion" kept the prices down and allowed many collectors to add this previously rare artifact to their collection. Now, the original finder of the carriers comments on their discovery and their intended use in the state of Ohio.

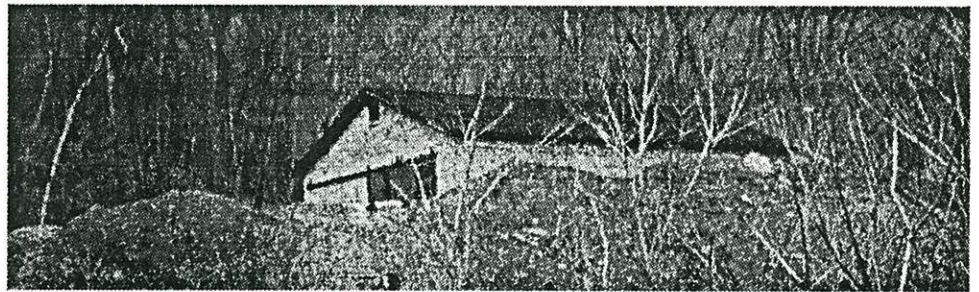
This Grier 3-bottom carrier was developed primarily for use in Ohio because of restriction on use of carbide lamps. Early on, the use of carbide lamps was objected to by the Ohio Department of Mines, and the dumping of spent (used) carbide in the mines was forbidden.

A full case of twelve carriers was found recently in an old company store in Blaine, Ohio. This store was operated by Andy Telentis until around 1952. Lorain Dock and Coal operated the Blaine mine from roughly 1906 to 1952.

(Below) Old steam and bath house at Blaine Mine.



Grier 3-bottom carrier, one of a dozen recently found in Ohio.



Mine shop at Blaine Mine, Blaine, Ohio, Lorain Coal and Dock.

