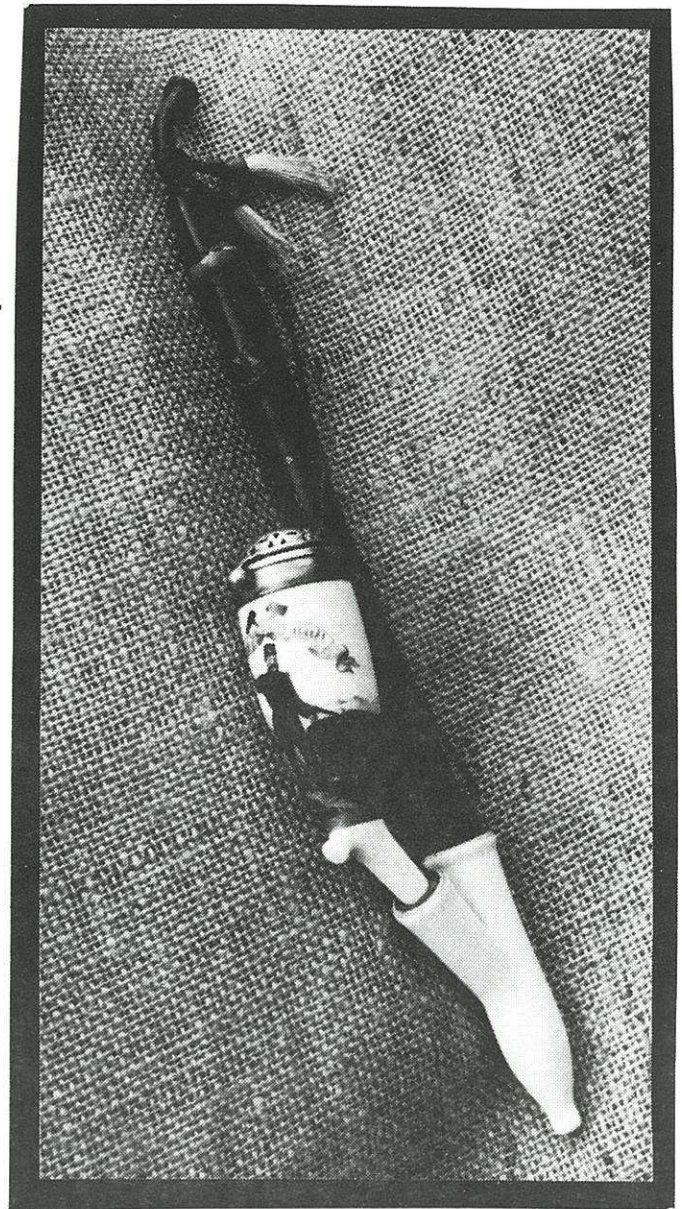
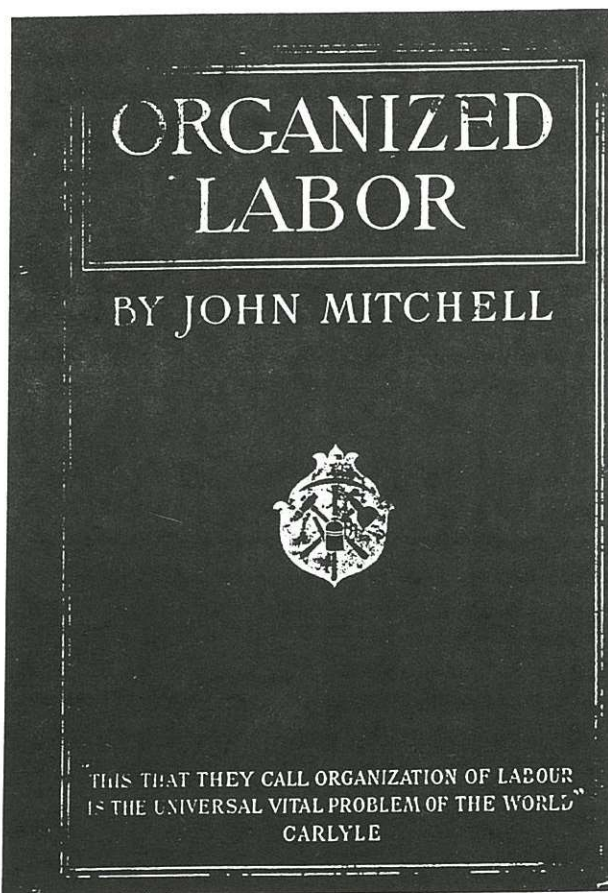


# Collector's Talk

## A Mining Pipe

One of the most unusual mining artifacts in the author's collection is a mining pipe--yes a pipe! It is unfired! It is a typical German porcelain pipe but this one has a mining theme. A miner in full dress uniform complete with his Geisser lamp and pick is shown outside the mine portal. Above the miner are the typical crossed hammers and the traditional miner's greeting "Gluck Auf." The picture appears to be a transfer which was then hand colored.

Tony Moon



## Books About Miner's Unions

In the Winter 1990 issue of the *MAC*, I wrote about the rise of John Mitchell as the leader of the United Mine Workers of America. I recently came across a book by John Mitchell that was published in 1903. By that time, Mitchell had been president of the United Mine Workers of America for 5 years. The book is entitled: *ORGANIZED LABOR, Its Problems, Purposes and Ideals and The Present and Future of American Wage Earners*. I have just begun to read this book of 436 pages. My count shows that this book has 47 full page photos and illustrations, some of which appear to match the content of postcards I've seen. What I am now wondering is, what other books have been written by leaders among the mining labor movement? If anybody knows, please drop me a note.

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