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IN THE SPOTLIGHT.....

MY LIGHTER COLLECTION

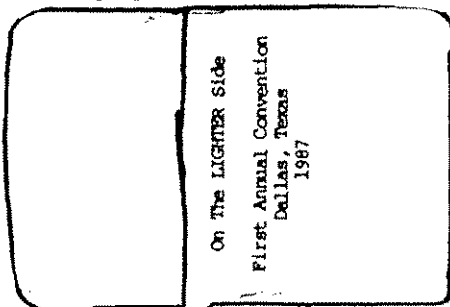
by Charles Arrundale

OOPS I MADE A MISTAKE!! In the Convention Letter it said there would be a space on the "form" to order the "Convention Zippo" - and then I forgot to leave the space! Some of you have written in your own order, which I appreciate. I now have the definite price - the cost will be \$6.50 each. So if you would like one please send me your money! I sent Zippo a deposit and they are going to send the package C.O.D., so please get your money in so I will have it when the postman comes! (only one lighter per member) So you will know what you are ordering, below is a "reduced" picture of what is going to be on them - it will be the brushed silver Zippo (standard size) with black letters.

IF YOU ARE COMING TO THE CONVENTION SEND IN YOUR RESERVATION FORM RIGHT AWAY!! If you are not coming please try to either send a picture of yourself and/or some lighters; or write a short note saying hello to everyone for the club scrapbook!

Last weekend I really found some GREAT lighters! First of all I got a Dunhill Service Lighter that still has the brown colored enamel on it - mint condition. The one I had gotten before was silver colored, with the enamel being scratched off. Also got the Ronson Dog (striker lighter) which I didn't have. It is marked Art Metal Works and is a silver metal dog sitting on a black base (photo 770 in Bisconcini's book)

More later.....



Judith

I switched my collecting bug, from Toby Jugs and Plates which was getting too expensive, to lighters. The first one being an old, silver plated Ronson Crown, table model, in dirty condition. When it was polished and in working order it looked so beautiful that I searched for more. That was 3 years ago and my collection is now over 600 and growing.

My greatest pleasure is repairing them and bringing them back to their original condition. This is my reason for collecting old fluid lighters - they are more interesting. My total collection of butane lighters is 20, and I only bought these because they have unusual mechanisms.

As you can imagine, a lot of mine are British made. The only American lighters I have is a Ronson Touch Tip. I have an English Touch Tip, the difference being that the wheel housing is quarter circle and not square, as the American. Also a Ronson Cigarette Case with a lighter and watch, dated 1935; and a Beattie Jet Pipe Lighter warms up a tube, which sends a jet of flame out.

The most common British lighters are Ronson, Rolstar, Mosda, Polo, Colibri, Orlik, Benlow, Tommy, Dunhill, Beney, Bedford, Roto, etc.

During my search for lighters in junk shops and car boot sales, I pick up other interesting collectable items, and when I have enough, I put them in a local auction - which make 100% and sometimes 200% profit, which helps subsidize my lighters and is also another source of interest.

My 4 favorite lighters are: (1) A camel with an Arab boy sat on it's back, with a carpet seller showing his wares "This is a strike." (2) A very ornate, silver plated old

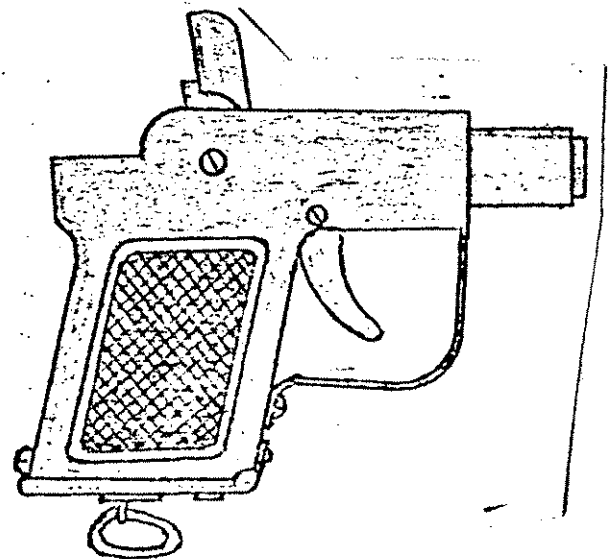
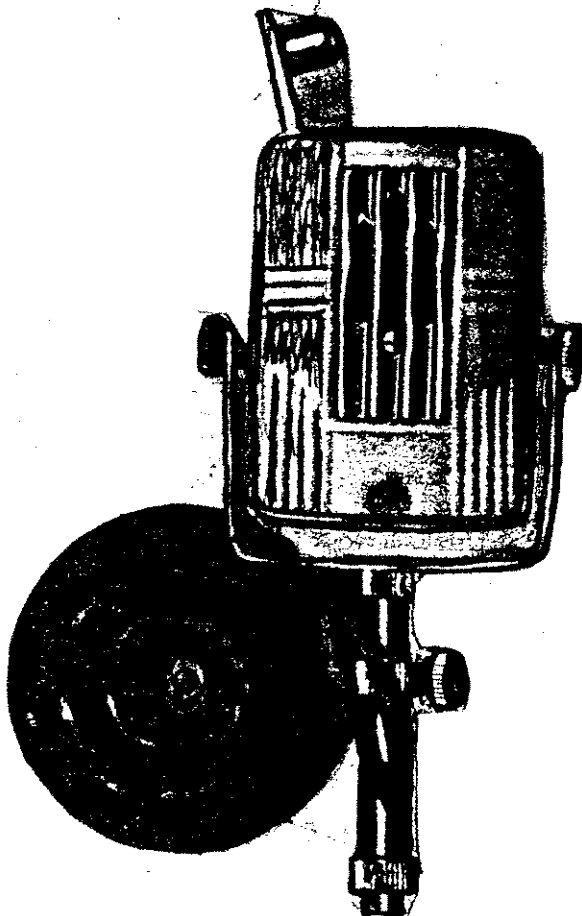
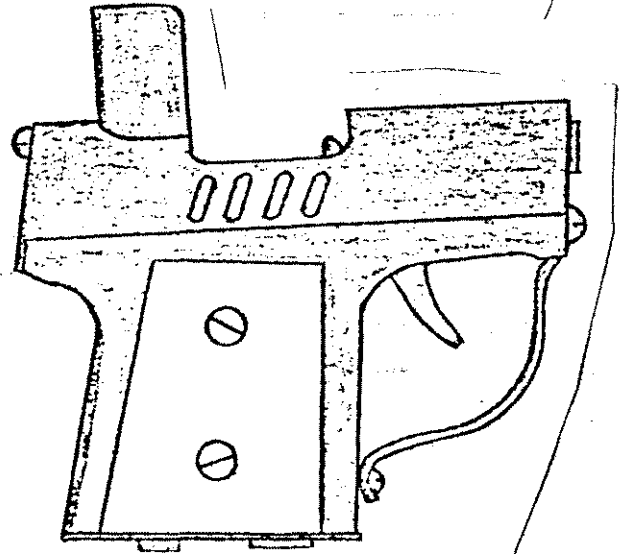
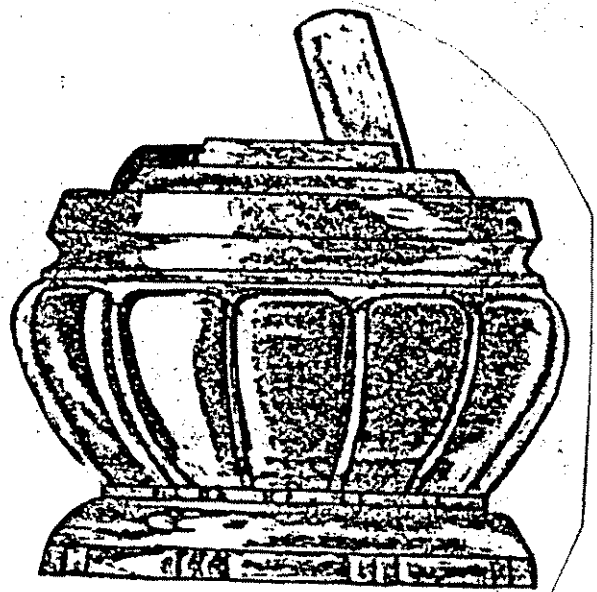
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street gas lamp, 12" high. (3) A Thorens chrome plated, pocket watch shape with 2 sprocket arms. (4) And finally an Airdale Dog that lights when you lift it's head.

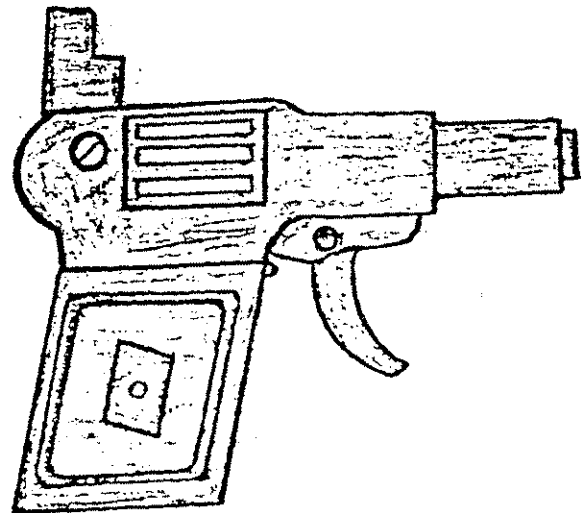
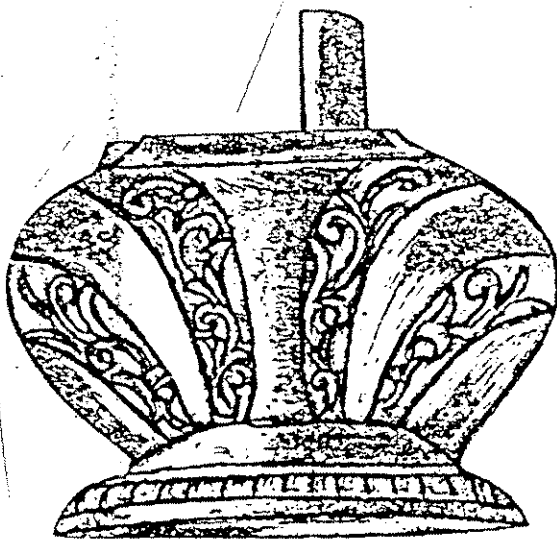
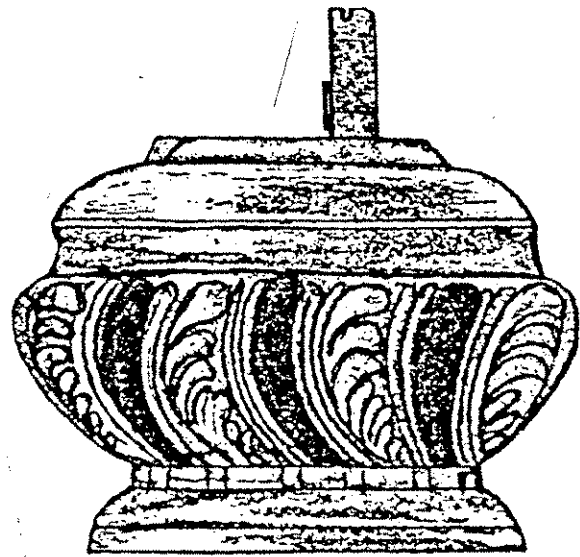
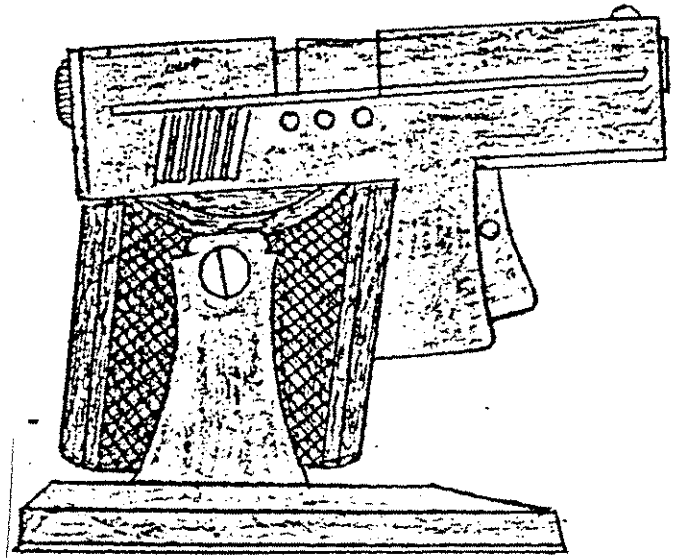
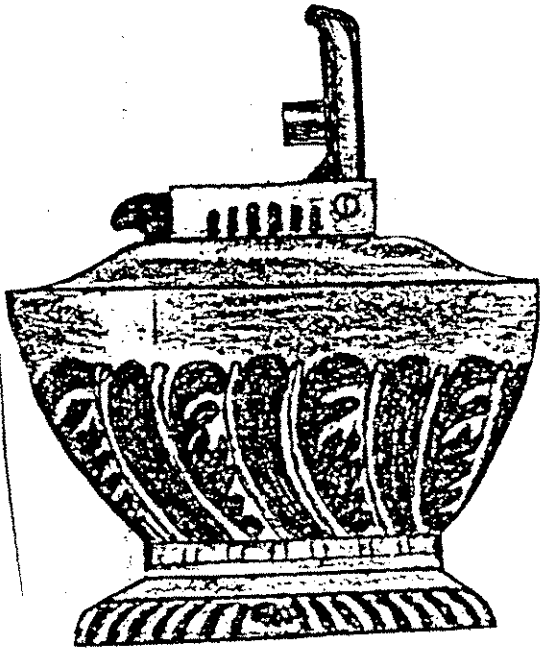
Two weeks ago I picked up a very interesting small old brass carbide lamp. The name on top is Guys Dropper, and is made by Shanklin Mfg. Co., Springfield, Ill, U.S.A. The interesting part is that it is fitted with a flint and wheel to light it.

COLLECTORS' CORNER

Several months ago our newsletter contained pictures of some Occupied Japan Lighters. In this issue I would like to include some more of these lighters. These pictures have been submitted by Robert W. Gee, Sr. Founder: Occupied Japan Club. Each of these lighters is marked "Made In Occupied Japan." For more information on MIOJ Lighters or on the Occupied Japan Club, write direct to Bob Gee.



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For Sale or Trade

Gray colored ceramic head from armoured knight, 5" tall, lighter is in top of head. \$4 plus postage. Judith Sanders

For OTLS Members who also collect tobacco items, Bud Markham is selling his collections. For more information write Bud

Herman Keith would like to sell his lighter collection. He ran an ad last year in this paper, with no response. Herman has an extensive collection, including pocket lighters and table lighters and novelty type lighters. If you have an interest please contact Herman Keith

2 Polaroid SX-70's to photograph lighters. 1 is stainless steel & leather covered at \$55 - the other painted metal and leatherette covered at \$45. Both are single lens reflex design & focus down to about 7". Al Grosskopf

I have about 20 Scripto "Vu Lighters" to sell or trade.

Thomas Prylinski

Ronson "Regal" (silver colored metal) - will sell for \$7.00 or trade for novelty type lighter. Judith Sanders

WELCOME NEW OTLS MEMBERS:

1. John Kronos
8078 Whitewing
Frisco, Tx. 75034
2. Loyd Stinecipher
3701 Gish
Tyler, Tx. 75701

Wanted to Buy or Trade

Motor Cycle with side car; airplanes; vintage cars (pre gas). Will trade from a selection of 200 table lighters. Colin Day

Is someone interested in exchanging a batch of table lighters for a batch of my table lighters - instead of letters & calls simply mail 10 or so table lighters & receive 10 or so T/Ls in return. Colin Day

Wanted: (1) Ronson Repair Kit; (2) Pullout for Art Decco in 2/85 OTLS issue or I'll sell as is less pullout; (3) Spring that holds down flint on Thorens lighter.

Thomas Prylinski

Wanted: Lighters from Erie, Pa. and lighters with Griswold logo on side (see drawing below). Also other items from Erie, Pennsylvania. Jack Albertson, P. O. Box 491, Edinboro, Pa. 16412; 814/756-5280 (Non-Member)



Want to trade Ronson Table Lighters for others. List Names or more information of model desired. Thomas Prylinski

Some Zippos (plain) for trade - list I.D. codes wanted.

Thomas Prylinski

Looking for (1) Musical Coca Cola pocket lighter (2) Small Occupied Japan Car lighters (pocket size w/hood popping up to lighter) (3) Lucky Strike cigarette promo lighter (4) Marlboro red & white - older one. I have some trading stock. Don Challender (New member - see address to left)

Wanted to Buy or Trade

Want Johnson Wax Tower Lighter (pictured in 1986 OTLS paper). Pete & Barb Bocciarelli.

Want to buy lighters for a reasonable price. Send picture & price and I'll respond soon after. Joe Fink

Wanted: Ronson Banjo and pre-1958 Zippos - all must be in good condition - for cash or swap for Australian made lighters or rare tobacco tins of Western Australian origin. Rex Hodgson

Thorens pocket lighters, swiss made, or similar lighters where flint is held in place on top of rasp wheel. Jim Lohr

Ronson Table Lighters, esp. unusual, or other working table lighters. David Chase

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