

Roster Updates

New Member Welcome

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New Email Address

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Upcoming Shows

C Extrava-Can-Za

injunction with

Coca-Cola Collectors Club

Annual Convention

1-5, 2003

t Regency O'Hare, Chicago, IL

more information about the convention

il Beth at: markowitz@cyberia.com

NPCC will have it's Swap Meet on Friday JULY 4th from 9AM to 2PM

e of the Hospitality rooms. This will be during the Big Auction. You

be a CCCC member to attend and can join at the show.

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CAN-O-GRAM

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Trade Card image created by Bruce Mobley

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NPCC Show Reports



Can Preservation Conclusion

Wanted: Shasta cans flats or tabs. Lance Meade // 1330 Carriage Hills Dr // Cambridge, MN 55008 email: lance@canconnection.com

New Soda Can Collector! Top condition flats and cones only. V pay top \$ for mint cans for collection! Have any? Contact Marc Austri mumfaustin@aol.com / 410-549-2296 / NPCC #1202

Wanted: Would like to buy or trade for the following cans: Pepsis USS Dwight Eisenhower; Diet Pepsi TN Iris Festival; Pepsi Edwards Force Base Open House; 1996/1998 Mall of American Bank Cans. C cans: USS Supply AOE 6; Air Force Reserve 50th Anv.; Happy Birthd Marines (217th, 220th); 50 Years MCAS, Cherry Pt., NC; Also Wanted Balloon Punch, Blue Ridge Cola, Eagle Goal Lion Grape, Hall of Fame Cola, (Honey Breeze), Mae Tou Cola, Metro Cola, Mule Kicker 1985 F Pop, Noah's (12 oz. all flavors), Ozark Shooters (Dynamite & Gun Cola), Pop Factory Cola, Premium Cola The Jimmy Fund, Snow White Sooner Cola, Southwest Cola, Southern American Cola/RB, Super Sweet Life, Tooty Fruity, Witches Brew Soda, Yankee Soda (Cola/RB) Geff Moore // 1322 Huffine Rd. // Johnson City, TN 37604 phone:(423) 928-2789 email: JCTNCANMAN@aol.com

New soda can collector looking to buy high grade, Straight steel tabs: Aloha Maid, Bonanza, Faygo Dutch Cream Soda, Frostie, Grafts Swiss Crème, Grafts Hula, Hillbilly, Ski (W/Skier), Smile, Sunday Fun Texas Cola, Tropical Delight, White Rock Tropic Joy and all-original flat top. Thanks! Ric Bauer #1209 // 117 Rosewood Ct. // Kissimmee, 34743 phone: 407-348-3336 email: rbauer@hbmdesign.com

Looking for trading partners from around the world. Have new Pepsi PAC 2003, Diet Pepsi Boyds Bear Country 2003, Pepsi Superbo can set, Diet Coke, Caffeine Free Diet Coke, Sprite "Christmas Carol Play" NY 2002, Mountain Dew Caravan Ski Resort 2003, many more Your list gets mine. Barry Skokowski # 971 // 7 Sprague Turn // Ham NJ 08610 email: bcocacola@aol.com

FOR SALE: The NPCC has shirts for sale. These are white pullovers with the patriotic NPCC Logo emblazoned on the front. All fun to help NPCC keep our membership fees down. All sizes (small, medium, large, X large, XX large, XXX large) with shipping included are only each. To order state size wanted and send order and payment to Bruce Mobley // co: NPCC // PO Box 163 // Macon, MO 63552.

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I NEED YOUR HELP! I'm looking for a list of all the "non-regu-
Diet, caffeine-free, Diet caffeine-free, One, Cherry, etc.) US Pepsi
(standard and special issue). If you can help, please email me at
cavaletti@libero.it (0809)

I have too many spare US and international Coke and Pepsi cans and
ke to trade them. It seems nobody wants to trade with an interna-
collector? Ok, what you think about buying them for less than a \$
20 cans for 20\$ including shipping)? Ask for the list at
cavaletti@libero.it (0809)

Bring your old cans to the Extrava-Can-Za in Chicago. I am bring-
ndreds of clean flat top cans and I want to trade with you. Many of
-G these are pretty rare. Bruce Mobley #1121 see you there.

Letter from the Director

This is the final issue before the 2 NPCC shows in July. At each
show there will be a prize drawing but the kicker is you must bring your
NPCC membership card to enter the drawing! So don't leave it at home.
At the Chicago show only, we will be having a raffle for some interesting
soda cans. Be sure to read the Can-O-Gram letters for some important
info concerning the Chicago show. I am looking forward to several of our
members attending each event.

Many of you may have noticed the Can-O-Gram is now being sent
without the aid of an envelope. This mailing jacket is an easy method to
save the NPCC a little money in the production of the newsletter. The
jacket is not actually part of the newsletter so we hope that each member
is removing it to reveal the cover of the newsletter. Use the membership
application on the jacket to ask a friend to join.

Lance Meade has suggested that combining the tasks of Treasurer
with his duties as Membership chairman would be a good move for our
club. I agree with Lance and hope you do to. We are now in the process
of combining the 2 positions and working toward that goal. There is much
to transfer and set up but effective immediately he is now also the Treas-
urer. Thanks for volunteering Lance--From the Desk of Bruce Mobley

Come on Board and Help the NPCC

The NPCC has immediate needs to fill some of the staff positions
below. Lance and I cannot do everything by ourselves we need your help.
Please review these positions and volunteer for the sake of your club.

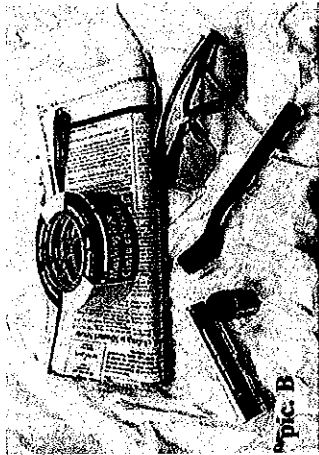
- 1) **Director:** One of the first priorities of this position will be to get a
constitution put into place, we also need to incorporate, and this position
will need to keep tabs on all aspects of the club. The Director also needs
to make a bimonthly report to the NPCC through use of the Can-O-Gram.
- 2) **Show Chairman:** Will require you to be able to handle advertising,
arranging, and organizing new shows or existing shows. You will not
necessarily need to attend these events but you need to appoint assistants if
you are unable to do so.

All positions need people who are willing to put time into them. All
positions need a person who is self motivated and willing to create the
position and make it solid. Internet email access highly valued but not
required.

All interested parties who wish to be considered and/or need more
information contact Bruce Mobley at his address listed inside the cover.

Can Preservation

Many of us have cans in our collections in which the rims have darkened. This is actually rust caused through humidity, age, and handling. If no action is taken this may get worse. I look at many of my cans the same way a car collector might look at his cars. It is nice when they are as close to factory as possible but when the rust appears, it's got to go. After all the rims are the frame for the label. And if the frame looks good it makes the whole can look good. The technique outlined here will produce amazing effective results restoring the dignity of our treasures.



You will need a bench grinder (pic. A) fitted with a cloth buffing wheel. *Note: You can use a Dremel tool but it takes much longer and is not as easy.* Additional materials needed (pic. B) : Newspaper, masking tape (at least 1" width), safety glasses, wire brush, buffing compound, and a rag. *Note: Buffing compound is available at most hardware stores. Get the EMERY type in a stick.*

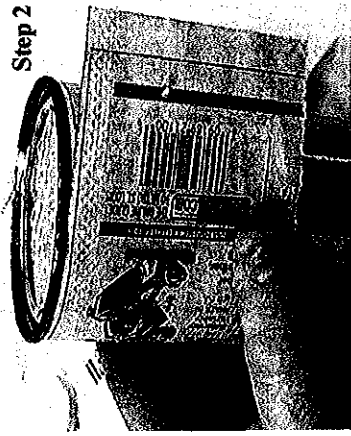
Step 1



Step 1: Tear off the edges of your newspaper in strips that are wider than your masking tape. These are going to be used to protect the surface paint on the can from the tape. *Hint: Tear each strip in half making 2 shorter strips. The strip only needs to be long enough to go around the can once.*

Step 2: Wrap a strip of newspaper around the can and below the rim. *Note: The paper doesn't have to be butted up to the rim only close.*

Step 2



How should foreign collectors go about collecting US cans if nobody wants to trade? I'd really like to convince some of my friends to join NPCC, but when they ask me "why should I if nobody will trade with me?" There are many nice cans outside US. I feel dismayed. I'd really like to see NPCC become more "Inter" National Can Collectors. Chris Cavaletti #1199

Chris I don't know what to tell you. I am sure the postage may have a little to do with it. But some of the most spectacular cans are not from the US. How about it members let's hear why we don't trade overseas?

HIGH TECH COLLECTOR

By Lance M.

Many soda brands have come and gone over the years, but few have had a websites devoted to saving them. Visiting www.savesurge.org gives you the opportunity to meet 3006 other Surge lovers who have already signed a petition to save their favorite drink. You can also find a listing of stores where Surge is still available. (Check the side note if anyone can still buy Surge in cans my year-old son would love to be able to drink some again.)



If you're like me you collect other forms of advertising you may want to check out www.pastimes.org which is the website for the Antique Advertising Association of America. The AAAA has a magazine, which is printed 6 times a year and holds an annual convention. One of the highlights of the 2002 convention was a seminar by Chuck

Kovacic who is a restoration expert, Chuck performs restorations on metal, cardboard, tins, trays, signs, cigar and fruit crate labels. The pictures are an example of his work. This link will take you to the page with the photos www.pastimes.org/C2CHUCK.htm.

He can be emailed at cfkovacic@aol.com.

Sold on ebay for \$45.99 this seldom seen Hood Orange Soda can and \$1136.00 took this nice Franks Cream soda conetop can home.

Any ideas, links, comments or suggestions email me at lance@canconnection.com or mail to Lance Meade #1160 / 1330 Carriage Hills Dr / Cambridge MN 55008.



Can-O-Gram Letters

Here are some replies to last issue's Pepsi's Patriotic (??) New ... To drink or not to drink?

As a point of information the Dr Pepper Seven Up Company is not owned by Pepsi. It is owned by Cadbury Schweppes. The can mentioned in the article is not a Pepsi can, it is a Dr Pepper can. It was issued shortly after the September 11th tragedy. Across the

United States different Pepsi and Coca-Cola plants franchisees to bottle and can Dr Pepper. The cans produced nationally. Should we stop drinking Coke also? John C. Hantz #0193

Dr Pepper can produced over a year ago. It all started with a picture of the Statue of Liberty and the different versions of this rumor. I have heard just wanted to clarify something with you and the readers of the NPCC. There will be no Patriotic cans with the Pledge of Allegiance on them. This is nothing but a rumor. I have heard different versions of this rumor. It all started with a picture of the Statue of Liberty and the following statement along the top rim "One Nation Under God". The words "Under God" omitted. There were several million of these produced and they will never be produced again. The Pepsi-Cola any distributors Dr. Pepper in some states. That's how Pepsi got in the rumor. George Jen #1203

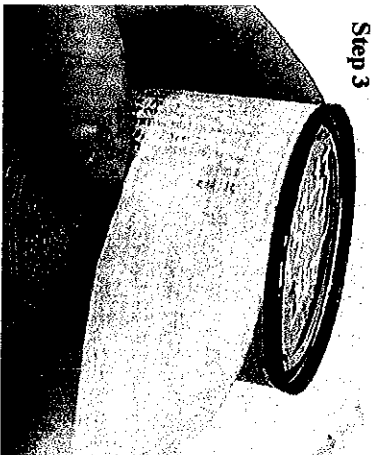
The picture of the Dr Pepper can pictured here is the can being produced. I am glad to see that these letters are being read!

Do we need to be registered for the Coca Cola show in order to attend the NPCC event? The way I read it is you need to be both a Coca Cola Collectors club member (I did join for \$30) and registered for the show which is \$50. Lance Meade #1160

Let's put it this way. If you come to the hotel, are a Coca-Cola Collector's club member, and come to the swap meet, but are not registered for the show, I will be there in your defense. Anyone who wants to attend our swap meet is welcome. The room is ours to use. You and many others are actually attending the show, but you're a CCCC member, and you're going for the swap meet! If we have to we'll move to the sidewalks and our swap meet.



Step 3

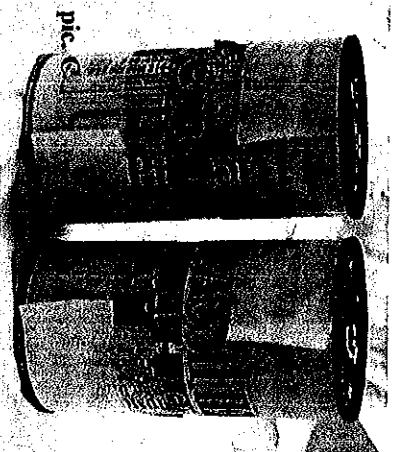


Step 3: Next wrap a strip of masking tape around the can and below the rim. Insure that the tape is butted up to the rim. The tape is protecting the can label from the buffing wheel. *Hint: Fold the end of the tape over a little at the end and this will make it easier to remove.*

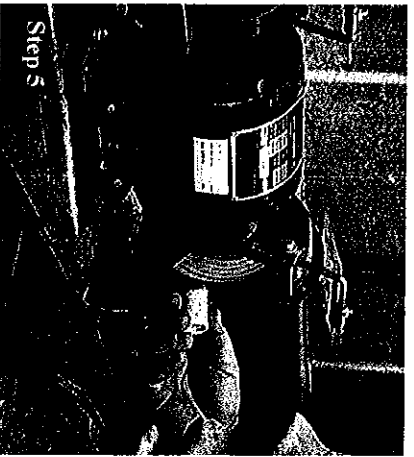
Here are 2 cans (pic. C) prepared and ready to clean. Notice the tape flap for easier removal. *Hint: If only one rim is rusted go ahead and buff both rims so they will not differ in appearance. Hint: If the rust is red, more damage has occurred to the rim and you will need to use the wire brush to remove some of the red rust before buffing.*

Step 4: Now put on your safety glasses and turn on your grinder. Apply the emery buffing compound to the wheel. *Hint: Little dabs of this on the wheel for each rim will do just fine. If you have heavy rust you may need to add more buffing compound as you go.*

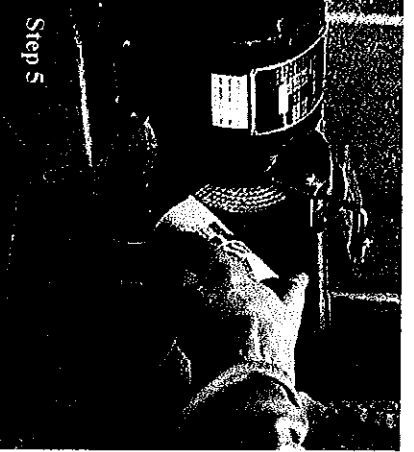
Step 5: Take the can and clean a small section of rim by pressing it against the wheel and moving it around a little. Inspect the rim as you go then rotate the can and continue until you are completely around the rim.



pic. C



Step 5



Step 5



pic. D



pic. E

The rim (pic. D) before we start to buff. The first section (pic. E) buffed. Notice the black smudge on the tape. This is okay.

Soda Cans. Toys or Art?

by Bruce Mobley and Jeff Moore

I am constantly amazed by the creative genius of some people. When searching for cans it is nearly inevitable that one will eventually run across some of this ingenuity. Cans that dance, cans posing as a plaything, and even art! While a collector may have no interest in these items they are a fun aspect of our hobby. So if you run into one of the items just take a moment to admire the inspiration that brought it into being.



A pair of dancing soda cans. I guess you can't be a cool dancing fool without the aid of your sunglasses.



Dale Ernhart's 1980 Ventura and Jeff Gordon's 2002 Monte Carlo mini racecars that when stored look just like a soda can.



Take a shot at the targets and the cans go flying in this Tin Can Alley game.

Can Preservation cont.



2 cans (pic. F) finished. Notice the dark areas where the tape protected the label. Step 6: Peel off the tape and newspaper. Get your rag and wipe off the rims. Pay particular attention to cleaning the area where the rim and label meet.

As you can see (above right) the results can be spectacular. If the rim may not turn out like new but you will see a definite improvement. So get out there and make those cans shine.

How a Can is Filled

By Christian Caval

Preparation After can bodies are removed from the pallet, they are combined over special air conveyors that send them at speed through the next steps.

Washing Cans are inverted though 180 degrees and go through an extensive cleaning process using high-pressure air and water. Once they are thoroughly cleaned, the cans are then inverted another 180 degrees returning them to their upright position.

Filling After cleaning, cans are immediately passed into a covered filling section, ensuring no further chance of contamination. At first cans go through a gassing system where they are filled with CO₂, to extract the air. Then they are filled with the beverage sprayed with special nozzles, which can fill up to 2000 cans per minute.

Seamer All remaining air is displaced through a further injection of CO₂ and the cans are immediately mechanically sealed with the ends, which are fed into the seamer from a separate source.

Testing Each can passes through a detector where any incorrectly filled cans are rejected.

Coding The filled cans then go through 'coding' where details of the 'before' date are printed on the bottom of the can.

Packaging Cans are put into single tray or multipack format, then placed on pallets for delivery to customers.

Collector Spotlight

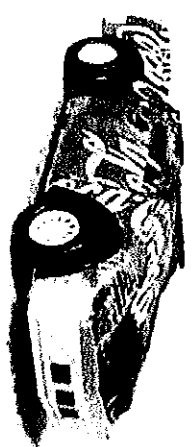
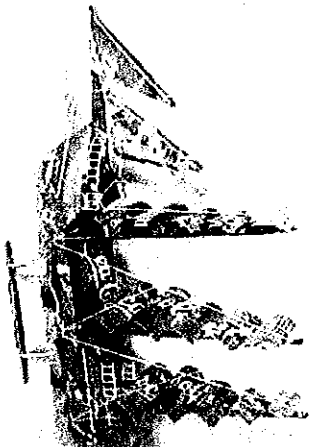
By Christian Cavalletti

Rich Simmons has been a member of the NPCC for over 15 years. As a collector of Coca-Cola cans - original Coca-Cola only - it was a perfect fit that Rich joined the NPCC while at the Coca-Cola Collectors Convention in Philadelphia, PA. "I did not know that such a great club for soda can collectors existed. I belonged to the Coca-Cola club and the BCCA, but when I found the NPCC, this was the club for me!". In the mid 90's, Rich was editor of the Can-O-Gran newsletter. Rich was newsletter editor for less than 2 years when he found out he had cancer and he underwent chemotherapy for nearly a year. He returned as the editor again and this time was editor for nearly 3 years. Following his time as the editor, Rich served as the Director of the NPCC and remained in that position until just several years ago.

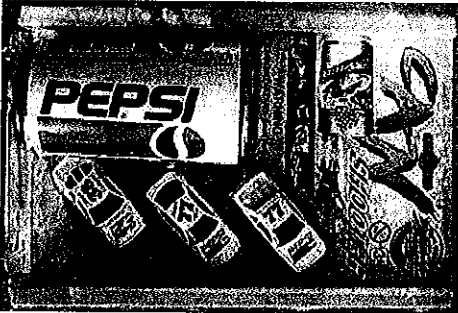
Rich's collection is displayed throughout the basement of his home. On display are nearly four thousand Coca-Cola cans neatly arranged and sorted by sets and countries. For a virtual tour you can visit Rich's collection at www.pinnaclecommunications.com/coke/. Once there you can tour the "Collection" as well as links to other NPCC, BCCA, and soda can collectors through the Webring 1 Soda Can Place. Rich also collects Coca-Cola signs which feature the older "diamond" can. Although he has been in the NPCC for 15+ years, he has been collecting just Coca-Cola cans for nearly 30 years! His collection is comprehensive and extensive with complete sets since their original issues.

His favorite thing about collecting "is the fun and friendship of the collectors and the shows that I go to. We have sort of a brotherhood of collectors that have been getting together for years and years. Each year we seem to add a couple of new collectors that look out for each other, pick up cans when they see them in different parts of the country, and just trade a couple times a year - those are the best!". Rich says that the best "soda" can swap meet he has ever been to, was at the Coca-Cola Convention in Reston, Virginia when nearly 50 collectors (sponsored by the NPCC) set up and traded cans during the middle of the Coca-Cola Convention, at a hotel, sold out to over 700 rooms of collectors!

Once again the NPCC will hold a can show and trade during this years Coca-Cola Convention in Chicago, Illinois. Rich has helped to organize this "get together" which will be held Friday July 4th 9AM to 2PM at the time when the Regular Auction is being held by the Coca-Cola club. Rich states "this looks to be another good year of cans at the Coke Convention, collectors should be there from all over the U.S., Canada, and other countries. I plan to bring a bunch of cans and look forward to nonstop room hopping and trading cans!" Look for Rich at this year's NPCC Extrava-Can-Za at the Coca-Cola Collectors Convention.



Who knows maybe someday our art museums may be graced by these object de' art. Found on ebay many of these are very highly detailed.



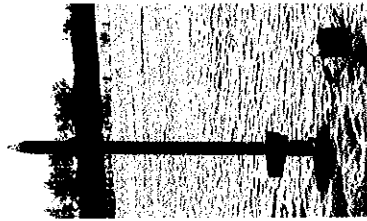
Here is a neat little toy. Load the 3 little cars into the can, take aim, flip the trigger on back, and the miniature car shoots out of the can.



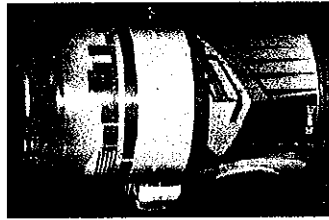
Picking this can up can be quite a SHOCK with a gag disguised as a can!



For a different outlook on life take a look at the world through a Pepsi Kaleidoscope.



Surfing the internet I discovered a working model rocket built entirely of cans.

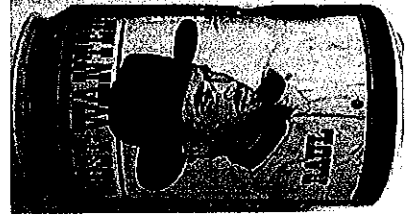


Last but certainly not least are these clever toy cans. "Cops & Robber" and "Gran Prix" each have 2 tiny cars that circle around the can on the label road.

So now who can say Soda Cans aren't any fun!!!

Recent Finds

Once again there are some great finds and interesting new issues to report. Thanks to these contributors (1) Chris Cavaletti, (2) Lance Meade, (3) Bruce Mobley, and (4) Geff Moore.



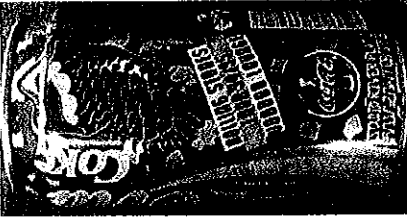
7UP Italy (1)
8 C-O-G



Aloe Quench (4)



Argentina '94 (3)
front



same can back



Jeff Gordon (3)



Hawaii (3)



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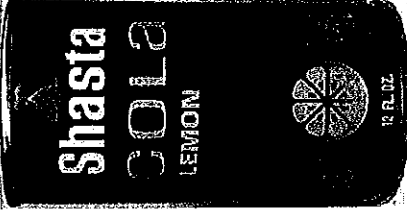
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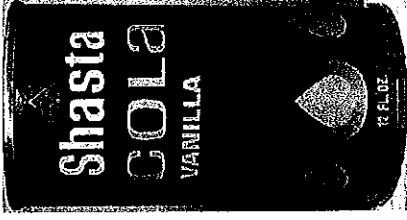
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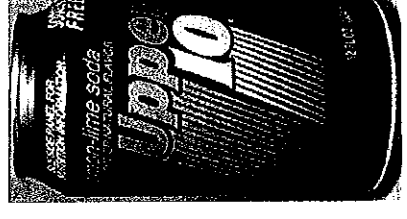
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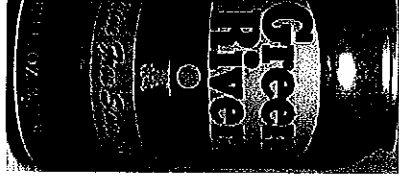
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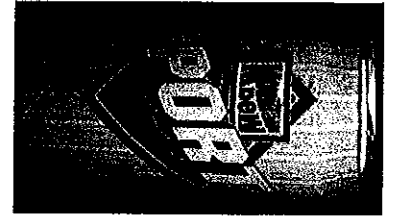
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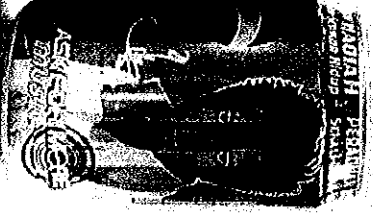
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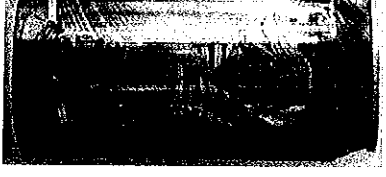
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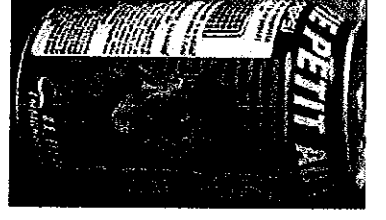
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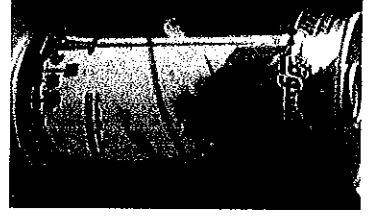
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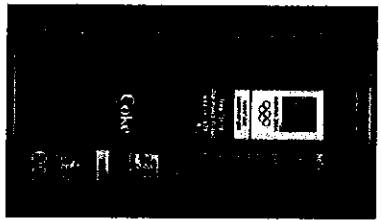
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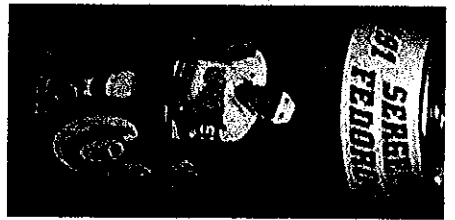
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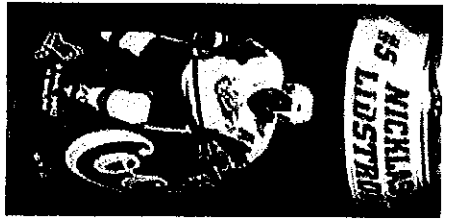
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Shopping Festival
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Cyprus 2004 Athens
Olympics (3)



16 ounce (3)



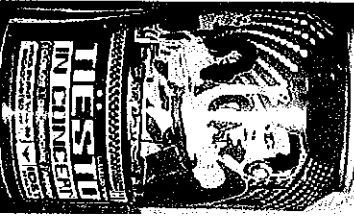
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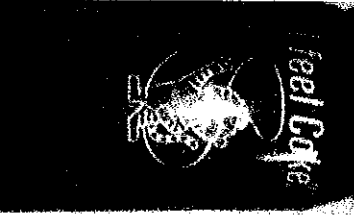
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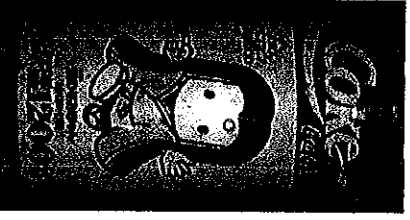
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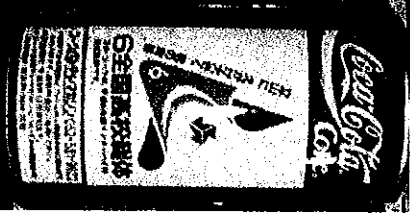
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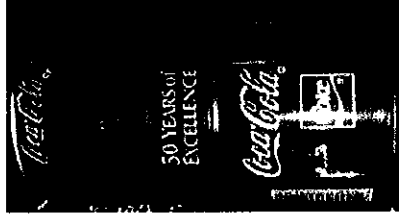
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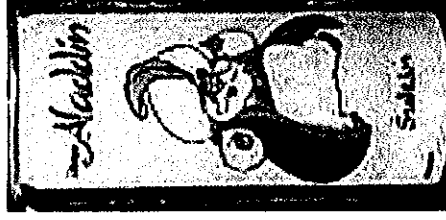
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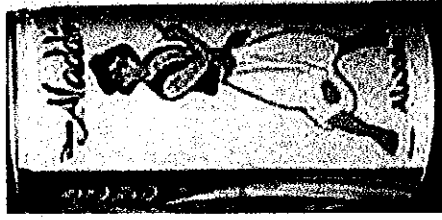
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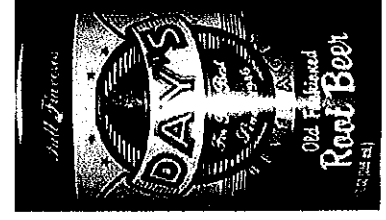
Crystalline Cola (4)



Vietnam Year of the Ram 2003 (3)



Vietnam Year of the Ram 2003 (3)



Days Root Beer (4)



Vietnam Year of the Ram 2003 (3)



Israel CC Light (3)



Pre Zip Code (2)



Vietnam Year of the Ram 2003 (3)



Beijing CC Light



Graf's 50/50 11 C