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AND NOW TO make even a stronger team an ad was placed in the papers calling for the best available ball players. They came from Pennsylvania, Missouri, Kansas, and Illinois. An extensive intensive "try-out" was conducted. On this team you could place all your bets with nearly 100% safety. . . . In two years they played 50 games, and lost only 5.

A FEW of the top teams of the day which the "BUXTON WONDERS" played, were "Chicago Leland Giants", "Chicago Union Giants", "Kansas City, Kansas, Giants".

THE BUXTON WONDERS were really WONDERS! They played in many different places, but mainly over Iowa, Missouri and Kansas.

ANOTHER UNUSUALLY interesting game recalled was the 10 innings game with Kansas City, Kansas Giants. The BUXTON WONDERS won by a score of 1 to nothing!

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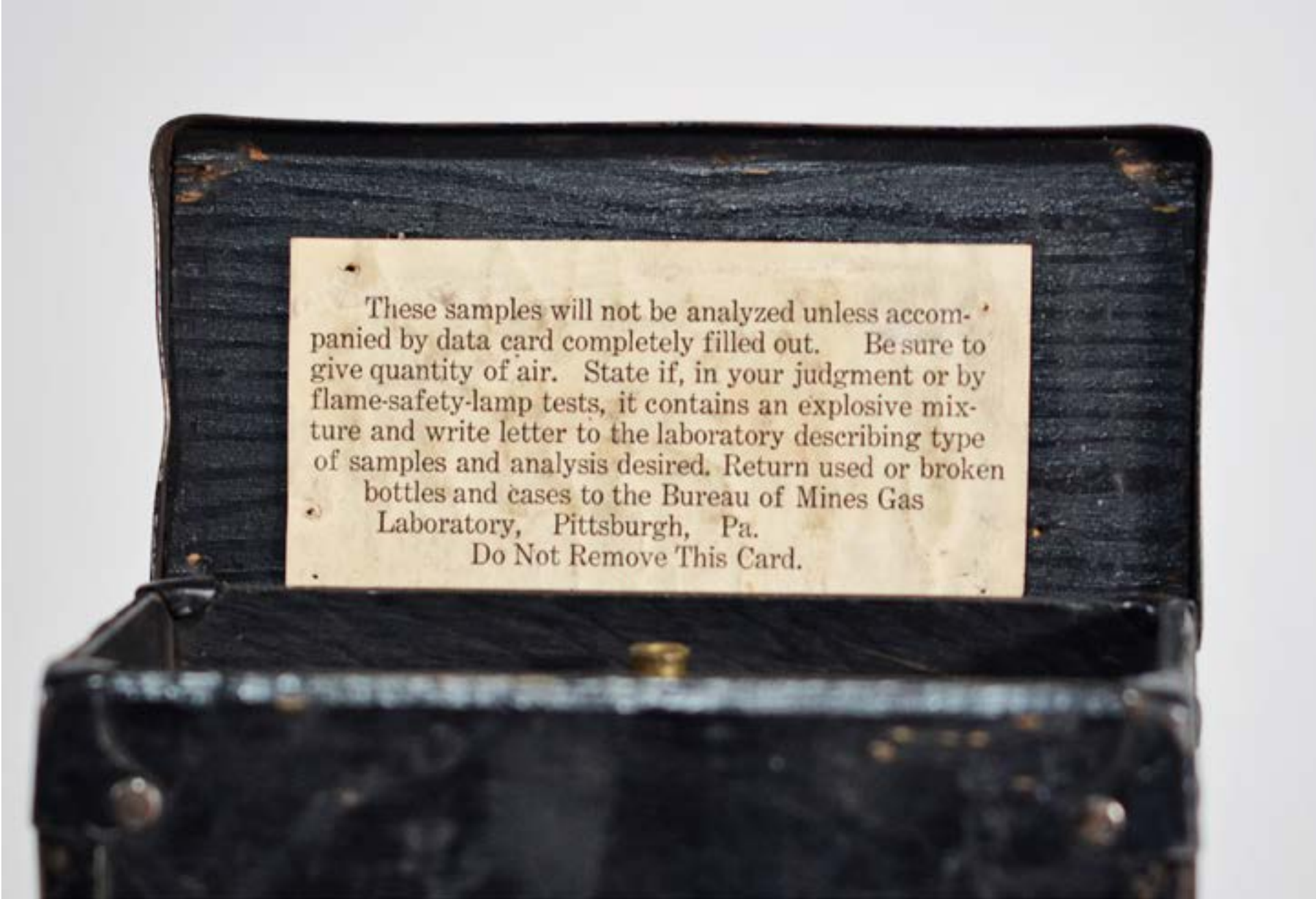
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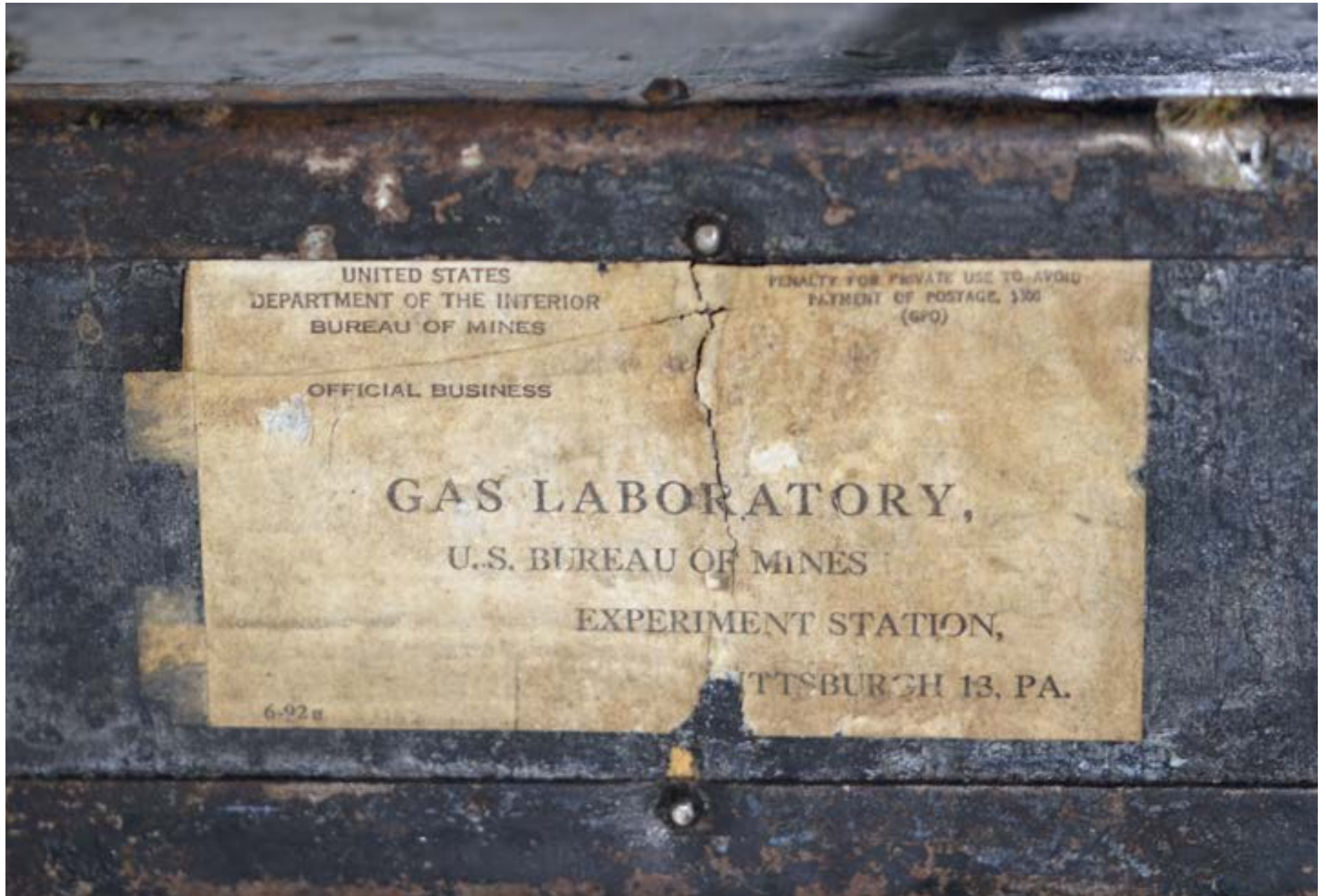








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