

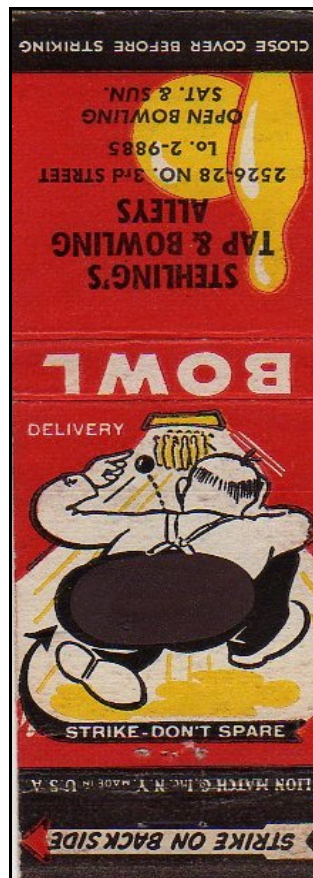
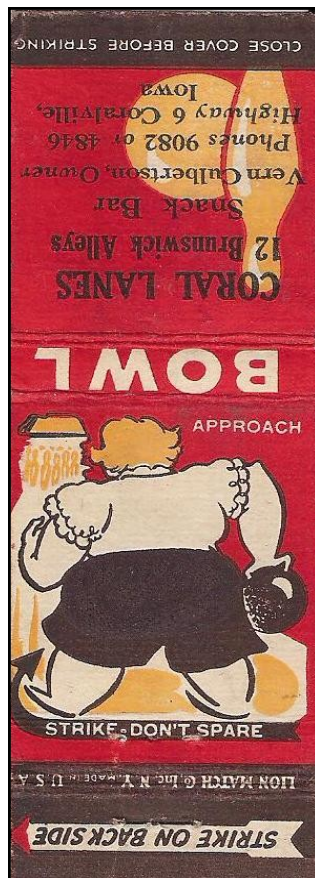
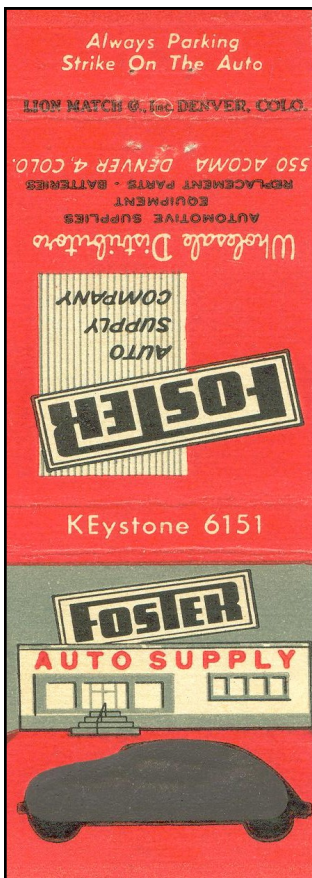
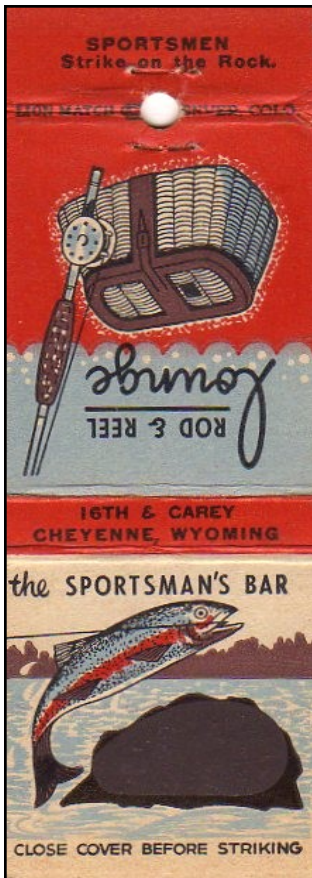
Odd-Strikers

“Odd-Striker” (often referred to as “Spot-Striker” by many collectors) was a Lion trademark for its covers which featured the striker in an unusual location and shape on the cover (i.e., the famous Hitler cover where the striker is on the seat of his pants). They’re definitely one of the most creative types of cover ever produced.

They were issued from 1942-1962 and constitute a category by themselves. Just why Lion discontinued them in 1962 is a mystery to me, although (another mystery) they never sold well, judging from the number listed.

Definitely conversation starters, not many collectors are willing to part of such covers, whether they actively collect them or not. Occasionally, though, you’ll see a random lot of Odd-Strikers in an auction here and there.

Carmine Arpino, CT, reported having 413 in January 2016. 708 were listed as of January 2016.



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