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## Cast-iron lockbox by Kasli, circa late 1940s-50s.

Measures 7" x 3 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" x 2 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" with the lid closed, weighs close to 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> lbs. Maker marked on the inside of the lid. The bottom of the box is a separate piece of metal affixed to the box with tiny rivets. The lockbox is designed as an intricate small-detailed latticework, very attractive.

The lockbox is in very good condition. The coating layer is very much intact except for the back of the hinges where is has partially rubbed off. There's a bit of rust on the bottom of the feet and around. Not much and not heavily rusted, this can be easily enough restored. The lid closes and opens with some effort. The bottom sheet of metal is in good shape but only one rivet is still holding it. Once again, this is an easy enough repair job, if desired, not to mention that the construction allows the bottom to stay in place and still do its job if the box is not turned upside down.

Kasli was, and remains, one of the finest manufacturers of cast decorative works in Russia and survived from Imperial times through the Soviet Era to today. The Kasli Factory of Architectural and Artistic Casting, as it is now called, is located in the city of Kasli, Chelyabinsk Region in the Urals Region of Russian Federation.

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