Firefighters in Osaka, Japan with Their Hose-Pumper Combo and Equipment



Description
These Osaka, Japanese firefighters are wearing their usual firefighting gear. The cape-like garments are to make it easier to breathe in heavy smoke. They have an old style hose-pumper combination. The long hoses in front of the vehicle, which has no enclosed cab, are hard suction hoses for pulling water out of ponds or reservoirs. The rolled hoses are made of linen and are not fireproof. The front side of the pumper has valves and gauges to control pumping running water when it is available. At the top rear is a bell which the firefighter in the back clangs as they travel. From Basil Rice.

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