The Streamlined Trumpet Design

(aka the peashooter or long model)

This article traces the origins and companies involved in what I call the streamlined or long model trumpet. They were first introduced in 1928 and lasted up until WWII.

- 1928 Conn introduced the New Era trumpets with the 56B and 58B models. The 56B (photo 1) had a Bb/A rotary valve and a trigger for the third slide. The 58B (photo 2) had no rotary valve and just a bottom ring on the third slide. These both had a design based on the 22B but with the length 1" longer and height 1" shorter.
- Buescher (also owned by Conn) introduced their model 232 Aristocrat trumpet (photo 3).

Vega introduced their Triumphal model trumpet around September of 1929 (photo 4). Conn introduced the model 60B, which was a 56B without the rotary valve.

1930 Several other companies join the bandwagon this year. The H. N. White Co began the Greyhound model 600 (photo 5) and Student Prince model (photo 6) under the Cleveland name.

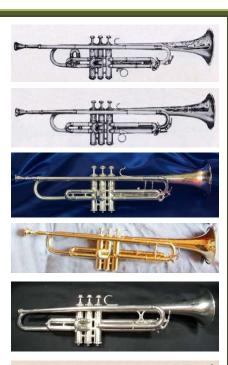
Martin introduced the Troubadour model (initially named "Sport") (photos 7 & 8) as well as the Indiana Band Instrument Co version of this (photo 9).

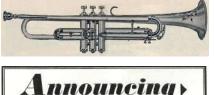
1931 Conn introduced the 10B, a medium bore version of the New Era design (below). York had the new model 28.



Conn now offered just the 10B and 58B. Vega introduced the Advanced Triumphal model to replace the Triumphal (photo 10).

1932













1933 Sears offered the Marceau trumpet made in Czechoslovakia (photo 1). [I have no other catalogs from this period to know when this was first or last offered.]

Gretsch offered the New Yorker trumpet in ads found from 1933 and 1935 (photo 2). These were also Czech. made.

The first George Bundy trumpets were Pan American stencils dating to the 1933-1938 period (photo 3). H&A Selmer also offered the Manhattan trumpet that was Czech. made (photo 4).

Pan American and Cavalier (photo 6) offered the 64B (photo 5) and 94B models in the 1930s.

1934 Conn introduced the 40B Vocabell Connqueror model that even had streamlined water keys (below).



The Jones-Koeder Co had the Heraldic model trumpet made c.1934 (photo 7).

York made the model 28 (photo 8) from c.1931 until at least 1939.

- 1935 Conn offered the 10B, 40B, and 58B models. Buescher now added the 235 Aristocrat (photo 9) to the 232 model (photo 10). This was the last year for the Martin Troubadour and Cleveland Greyhound models.
- 1936 The Ohio Band Instrument Co. made a long Regent model (photo 11). Reynolds followed the practice at White of only offering a long model in the student line. This is the last year that Vega offered their Advanced Triumphal.
- 1938 This is the last year that Conn offered the 10B and 58B but continued to make the popular 40B. Buescher made the very rare model 211 (photo 12).
- 1939 Buescher now just had the model 220 Aristocrat (photo 13).





















1939 This Elkhart Band Instrument Co trumpet (photo 1) was a student version of the Buescher Aristocrat made in 1939. They likely made these throughout the 1930s.

1940 This is the last year for the Conn 40B.

Other long models found:

The Windsor line by Buescher had a long model (photo 2).

The Alliance trumpet was a Cavalier stencil (photo 3).

The Musketeer Maestro (photo 4) was also a Cavalier stencil.

Huttl of Graslitz also made a long model (photo 5), likely for the American market. Photo 6 is from their 1939 catalog.

Cleveland (H.N. White) made the Gladiator trumpet in 1940-41 (below). This appears to be a transitional design as the industry heads back to the traditional taller shape.



The Continental Music Co sold imported stencils from Bohemia as well as the Clarion model made by Pan American (photo 7).

This factory custom Conn trumpet below (author's collection) is marked 56B yet uses slide adjustments from the 2B. It was made in 1929.















