

Pan American Band Instrument & Case Co.

Elkhart, Indiana

- 1917 Conn starts the Pan American Band Instrument & Case Co. to make student grade horns and cases (Reed, 1953).
- 1919 Pan American was incorporated on 7/30/19. Early serial numbers start with "P" (Horn-u-copia.net). Production is moved to the former Angledile Scale Co, one block from Conn (1917 map below). By November, they were up to full working order at their new 52,000 sf facility (The Music Trades).

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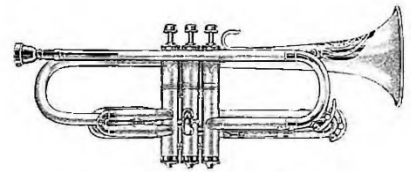
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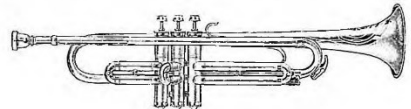
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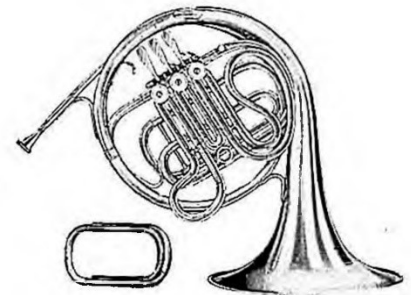
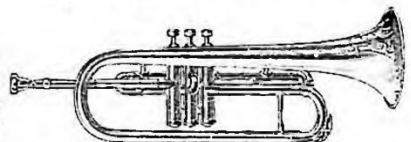
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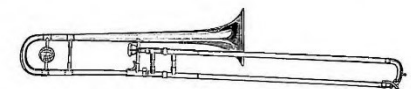
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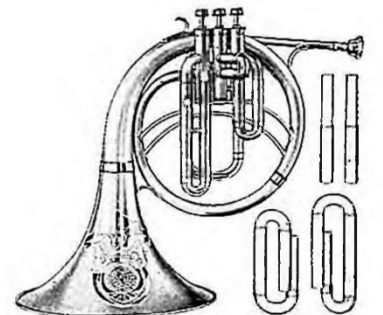
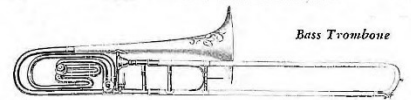
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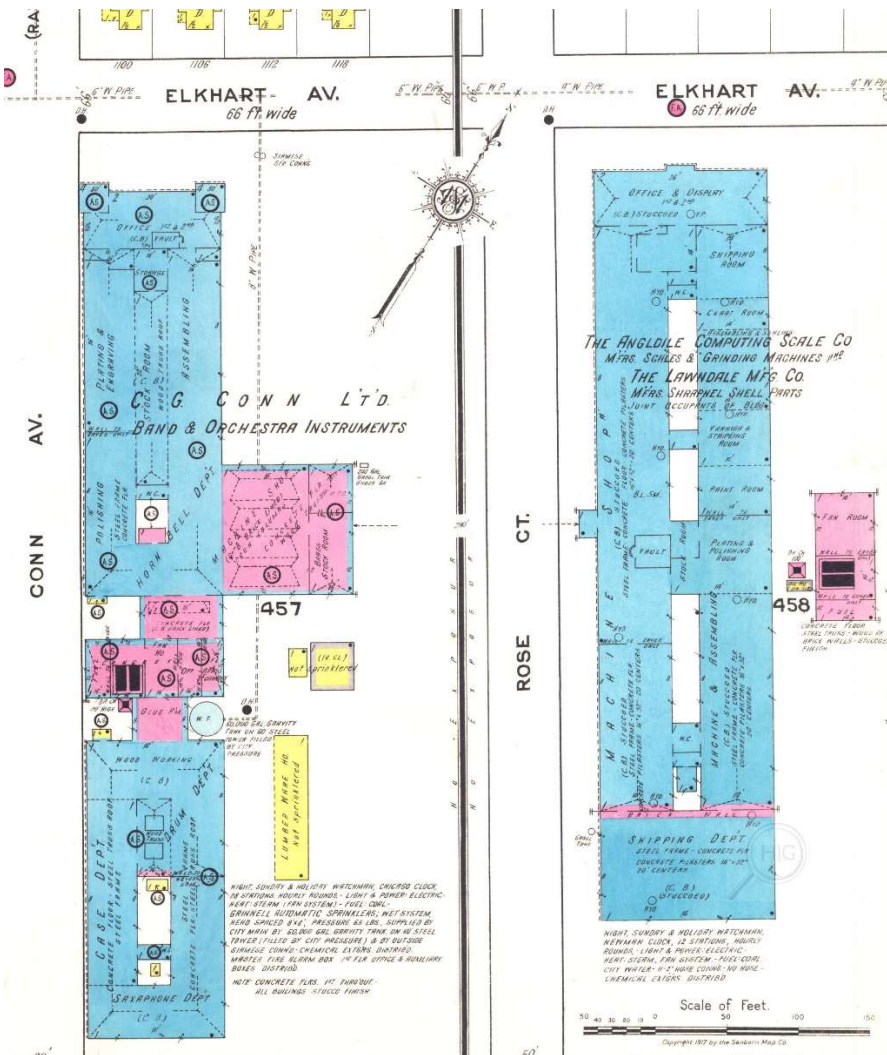
Pan-American Bb Slide Trombone—No. 64-H



Bass Trombone



Pan-American
Mellophone in F, Eb, D, C.
No. 62-E



- 1931 Pan American starts the Cavalier line of low-cost band instruments. There were seven models offered initially with more in development. All have a satin silver finish with gold bell (Presto, March). Serial numbers now start with the letter "O."

- 1948 Pan American restarts production after a break due to WWII (Horn-u-copia.net).
- 1949 Conn merges all subsidiaries, including Pan American, into one company, C.G. Conn Ltd (Reed).
- 1955 Pan American and Conn blend serial numbers at around 500000 (Horn-u-copia.net).
- 1958 All Pan American models end.

Trombone #10690 c.1919



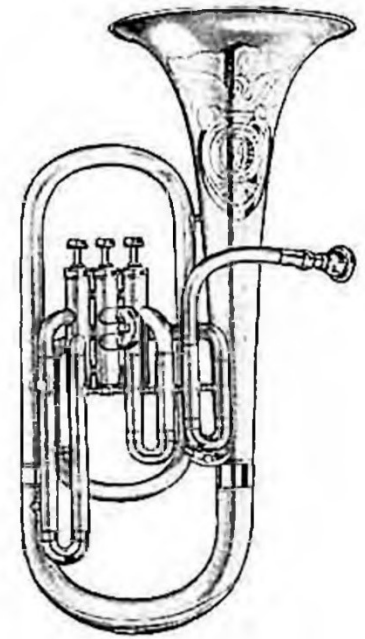
Cornet #79889 c.1929



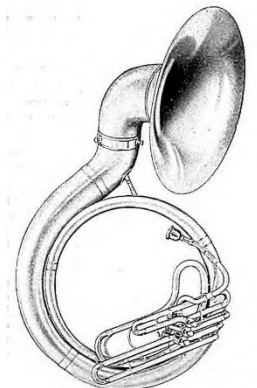
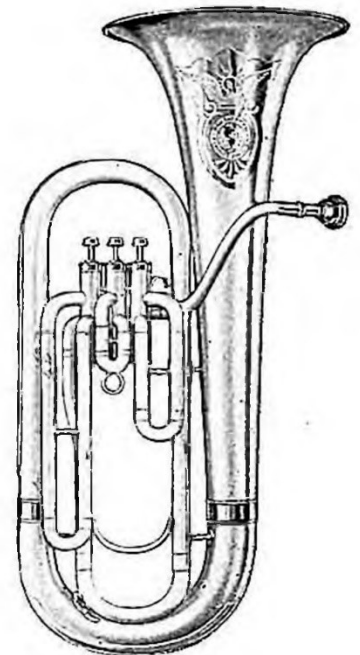
Trumpet #83332 model 66B c.1932



Cornet #145735 model 56A c.1941



*Pan-American E_b
Upright Alto—No. 56-C*



Illustrations at right from 1935 Pan American band guide.

Cavalier Instruments

Cornet #1447 model 90A c.1931



Trumpet #2656 model 92B



Trumpet #34000



Cornet #54448 below & top right



Cavalier stencil sold as a
Musketeer Maestro by Barth-
Feinberg in New York.

Instrument photos from Horn-u-copia.net & auction sales.

Pan American/Cavalier sold their instruments as stencils
to many different companies; something that was never
done with Conn.