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AMERICAN CHROME

There was a time, in the years after World War Two, when American cars sported massive chrome plated grills, as seen on this 1949 Buick Roadmaster.

Perhaps it was no coincidence then that several of the American suppliers of blowtorches offered, at that time, models with chrome-plated fuel tanks.

(See page 3 for one of the very few British or European chrome blowlamps)



1949 BUICK ROADMASTER

Blowtorches in the cover photo, from left to right. (All one-quart capacity)

Top row LENK (Turner); COE metal sprayer (Turner); TRU-TEST (by Turner)

Middle row MONTGOMERY WARD (by Bernz); CRAFTSMAN (by Turner); TURNER

Bottom row: CLAYTON & LAMBERT; TURNER; CLAYTON & LAMBERT

(Torches at middle row centre and bottom row centre are fitted for instant lighting)

Just Polish the Damn Things!

By Carolyn Rhodes

To be the wife of a man on a mission, Does not necessarily give him the permission To take over rooms at an alarming rate And turn them from comfy to some other state.

The brass and the copper, when looking like new, Is very impressive but some just won't do, They call it patina, in my eyes it's grime, Just polish the damn things and make them look fine.

The odd one or two in the house is OK But when they take over they just cannot stay So off to the outside your collection must go Let others adore them when you do a show.

NEW PHOTOS ON THE WEBSITE

These photos from Max Rhodes have recently been added to the website. Go to <u>www.blowlampsociety.com</u> for more photographs, and for all past issues of BN.





products, as in this stove seen on

the internet.

VERITAS 1/3 PINT CHROME-PLATED One of the very few British or European chrome-plated blowlamps. Is the chrome factory-supplied, or is it a one-off?





GLYNWINNA No.100: ONE PINT PARAFFIN (See BN85 & BN96 for more about Glynwinna.)

GLYNWINNA TWO PINTS PARAFFIN



NEW PHOTOS ON THE WEBSITE

WOODWARD BROS. & COPPELIN "GEM" TWIN FUEL TANKS & FLEXIBLE HOSE







DORSET FIREPOT / FURNACE Came from Brian Grainger's collection. Does anyone know about this maker?

NEW PHOTOS ON THE WEBSITE



SWIFT JET SPIRIT LAMP



HATTERSLEY & DAVIDSON SPIRIT LAMP



For more about **GARRATT & FOWLER** See BN 72.



UNKNOWN SPIRIT LAMP: GOVERNOR / LAMB?

NEW PHOTOS ON THE WEBSITE



HORNSBY FIREPOT / FURNACE Fuel capacity approximately 4 pints.



PARAFFIN VERTICAL LAMP

EOLIPYLES PART FOUR D.P.A, Devoe, and Doria

By Charles Smith

NOTE: This is the fourth article in a series of contributions about three-piece Eolipyles. For earlier "background" information, please refer to the last few Society Newsletters.

D.P.A. Marking on Doria and Magnet Eolipyles

The marking "D. P. A" and "PARIS", separated by images of "bees", is found rarely stamped into the top of the filler caps of some Doria and Magnet Eolipyles. The marking is almost certainly that of a retailer whose identity remains unknown. See Doria (below) and Magnet (in a future issue) for additional information and a photograph of the marking.

Devoe Marking on Hymes Eolipyle

The marking "F. W. DEVOE & Co." and "NEW YORK" is known on a Hymes Eolipyle with the starburst cutout pattern. Devoe was incorporated in 1852 in New York and soon became the largest manufacturer of paints, varnishes, shellacs, brushes, and a host of paint-related items. It is my opinion that Devoe sold these Hymes "paint burners" but I have no Devoe Catalogs showing these for sale. I will continue my research. Please see "Hymes" in a future newsletter for photographs and additional information about this Devoe-marked Hymes Eolipyle.

Doria, Paris (unmarked) Star-Tulips Cutout Pattern

Doria Eolipyles resemble most of the other identified, and even unknown, types of these burners. They have very similar ferrous handles and handle supports, similar alcohol lamps, similar concentrically-ribbed fuel chambers, and similar stands (Figs. 1-2). As noted in an earlier article, the only consistent distinguishing characteristic is the unique cutout on the sides of the stand. Of all of the different cutout patterns found on three-piece Eolipyles, this one is the most common. It consists of a central 6-point star surrounded by six "tulips" (Fig. 1). The identical pattern occurs on both stands made of iron as well as those made of copper, and on all sizes from the smallest, Size 1, to the largest, Size 6.



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The Doria Company was located in Paris at least as early as 1879, 1885 publicity indicates that these Eolipyles with the star-tulips cutout were being manufactured by Doria. In later 1893 publicity showing this cutout, the company was shown to be Longuemare, also in Paris. The same 1893 publicity refers to the "previous company Doria". So, sometime between 1885 and 1893, Doria was acquired by Longuemare. Longuemare continued to manufacture these star-tulips Eolipyles as late as 1920. Neither company engraved their Eolipyles with any identifying mark. As it is impossible for me to detect any differences in the shape or size of the cutout, or any differences in the entire Eolipyle, I will arbitrarily assign this cutout pattern to the earlier original manufacturer. Be aware, however, that c1893 and later publicity will show Longuemare as the manufacturer.

At least one of the several sizes of Doria Eolipyle (size 3, measuring 150 mm in height by 80 mm in diameter) was supplied with a small brass cup with a lip used for filling the fuel container (Fig. 3). This one differs from other filling cups in having a flat bottom. Cups associated with other Eolipyles have a rounded base and will not sit "flat" on a horizontal surface. Also, the cup fits perfectly on the bottom of the fuel chamber (Fig. 4). It is just deep enough so that the burner tube lies within the attached cup. I find this very interesting!! I wonder if this size cup was an "accident" or by design. If by design, it would certainly be one way to keep it from getting lost when the Eolipyle wasn't being used. With the alcohol lamp in place, the cup cannot be removed from the bottom of the fuel container. My "vote" is for "by design". This Doria Eolipyle and its associated filling cup were offered for sale in an Electrical Supply Co., Chicago, catalog dated March, 1892 (Fig. 5).





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Doria and Longuemare also manufactured and marketed an Eolipyle with so-called "wings" or "shields" (Figs. 6-11). This version consists of a "standard" Eolipyle but with movable curved doors, or shades, or wings, attached with hinges to the front of the stand just to the right and left of the front opening. With the wings closed (Fig. 7), they lie tightly along the sides of the stand and fully cover the star-tulip cutout. With the wings fully open (Figs. 6, 8), they conceal all but about 6 cm of the width of the front opening. Note that the Doria Eolipyle shown in Figure 9, from the collection of Gérard Muller, has "wings" which curve in the opposite direction and close to seal the front opening in the stand! Breuzin also had wings which curved toward the front (see Fig. 10 on page 6 in BN 99 dated June, 2017). What was their purpose? I'm not certain. Perhaps they were used to restrict air flow into the center of the stand, reducing the level of oxygen for the lamp and burner, and thus



reducing the strength of the flame. Early 1885 Doria publicity (Fig. 10, from French RECUEIL No. 5, page 193) indicates the winged Eolipyle was intended to be used by painters. When opened, perhaps the wings were intended to deflect any wind which might blow the flame in an undesired direction. It seems most likely, then, that the wings were designed as wind deflectors. We do know that this type of winged Eolipyle was being marketed by Doria as early as 1885 (Fig. 10), and by Longuemare in 1893 (Fig. 11, from a listing of known manufacturers of French tools "Annuaire-almanach du commerce et de l'industrie" = "Directory-almanac of commerce and industry", published annually). Note the words "...ancienne maison Doria...", literally translated "old house Doria", or earlier company Doria. These two pieces of publicity provide the evidence that Doria was acquired by Longuemare, as noted in the second paragraph of this article.





Another highly unusual (actually unique) Eolipyle in my collection is a Doria with an adjustable burner. The Eolipyle is marked with the number "4" and is about 16.5 cm in height by 9 cm in diameter. The stand is made of thin sheet iron with the typical star-hearts cutout and copper alcohol lamp and fuel chamber (Fig. 12). This stand, however, differs from others in having a vertical "slot" measuring about 5.5 cm in height by about 5 mm in width cut into the back of the stand just to the left of the two handles (Fig. 13). The steel rod protruding through the opening is attached to the back of the brass burner head (Fig. 14). The head is made to rotate about its attached feed tube, so that when the lever is raised, the burner tip is lowered (Fig. 15 left). Similarly, when the adjusting arm is lowered, the tip of the burner is raised (Fig. 15 right). Interestingly, when the Eolipyle is held in the right hand, the thumb is positioned perfectly to move the arm up or down without releasing the handles.

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What was its purpose? Perhaps an indication is found in a January, 1885 J. Mouton & Cie publicity sheet advertising these Doria Eolipyles. This sheet notes that for more intense heat, such as needed for copper or silver soldering, an additional burner is available to superheat the bottom of the fuel chamber. Note the word "additional". It seems reasonable that this later design, a rotating burner tip, might yield similar results. That is, when the burner tip was raised, additional heat would be supplied to the bottom of the fuel tank. Then, when lowered, the tip would yield a more intense flame. This seems a logical purpose for this particular Eolipyle.

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At least one Doria Eolipyle is known with no size designation imprinted above the front opening (Figs. 16-17). Based on its size and comparison with other Doria Eolipyles, it is a No. 2, measuring 7 cm in diameter by 15 cm in height.





Blowlamp Society member Guy Gerard has also informed me of another unusual Doria Eolipyle (Figs. 18-19). It has a copper stand with the addition of circular openings around the top of the body. Both the alcohol lamp and fuel chamber are also made of copper with brass "fixtures". The addition of a secondary opening at 180 degrees from the filler inlet and into the front of the fuel tank is unusual, puzzling, and its function currently unknown.



Yet another strange Doria Eolipyle is this (Fig. 20) size 3 example having an iron stand and copper lamp and fuel tank. The stand has no handles or handles support. Rather, the handle area has been replaced by an ovate opening 43 mm in height by 33 mm in width. I'm sure this is as issued rather than later cut. Its purpose is currently unknown.





I have recently made an observation that all of the Doria Eolipyles which have markings on their filler caps (see below) have a screw on-screw off cap over the wick in the alcohol lamp. Doria Eolipyles with unmarked filler caps have a pressure on-off cap over the wick. The relationship is real, and although interesting, I am unsure of its significance.

Fig.21

Doria with D.P.A. Marking

Doria Eolipyles are known with the marking "D.P.A." and "PARIS" separated by figures of "bees", or "wasps", stamped into the top of the dual purpose pressure relief/filler cap (Fig. 21). I have seen this marking rarely on Doria Eolipyles having the iron stand. The marking placed on the cap is surely that of some retailer, or seller, other than Doria/Longuemare, but their identity is unknown.

Doria with J.M. & Cie Marking Fig.22

The marking "J.M. & Cie" and "A PARIS", representing the J. Mouton & Company in Paris, is rarely found stamped into the pressure relief/filler cap on Doria Eolipyles with both an iron or copper stand (Fig. 22). The J. Mouton Company was a large retailer, or distributor, of an extensive suite of tools whose catalogs are known from as early as January, 1885.





Doria with R. B. T Marking

The marking "R.B. T" and "PARIS", separated by images of "bees", is found rarely stamped into the top of the filler caps of some Doria Eolipyles (Fig. 23). The marking "R.B.T." is the abbreviation of the name "REBATTET", referring to F.M. Rebattet and Co., a tools retailer that was located in Paris (see "R.B.T. Marking" in a later article in BN).

Fig.23



I wish to express my sincere thanks to Michel Duval who has for many years provided me with considerable information about the Eolipyles. Although Michel has been supportive and has generously reviewed a draft of this article, its content is solely the responsibility of the author. Thanks are also expressed to Graham Stubbs for formatting my words and photographs into a form suitable for this newsletter.

BLOWLAMPS FOR LITHOGRAPHY By Graham Stubbs

Charles Smith's article Eolipyles, Part 3 surfaced a use for a blowlamp that is not immediately obvious, applied to processes for lithography. The name "Rudoph Becker, Leipzig" appearing on the unusual "downwards-directed" eolipyle is from a well-known German lithographer and supplier of materials and tools to the printing trade. BARTHEL advertisements with dates ranging from 1914 to 1938 mention lithography (see next page). So how exactly was the blowlamp used in this process?

The BARTHEL lamps associated with lithography all have nozzles designed to provide a fan-shaped flame, mostly seen on lamps for burning off paint. Two of the BARTHEL lamps also directed a flame downward, as did two of the eolipyles in Charles' article



Lithographic stones at the Leipzig Museum of Printing Arts

Lithography is a method of printing, invented in 1796, based on the immiscibility of oil and water. The process originally used an image drawn with oil, fat, or wax onto the surface of a smooth, level limestone plate. The stone was treated with a mixture of acid and gum arabic etching the grease content of the drawing material into the pores of the stone and chemically creating grease reservoirs. The open stone (without drawing) was affected by the gum arabic creating a thin gum layer that would then attract water. When the stone was subsequently moistened, these gummed areas retained water; an oil-based ink was then be applied with a roller, sticking only to the original drawing. The ink would finally be transferred to a fine art paper sheet, producing a printed page.

A later version of the lithographic process reproduced an image from a photographic negative using a light-sensitive coating. The image was then dusted with a fine coating of finely powdered resin, this being melted by heating the surface with a blowlamp.



BARTHEL French Catalogue 1914 Top: Blowlamps for painters Bottom: Special Model "pour lithographes" for Lithography



BARTHEL Model J Rit With nozzle for a Fan-shaped flame as in the above ad. item 1. Inverted, the filler cup also serves as a priming cup (Photo from Gérard MULLER.)

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BARTHEL Dutch Catalogue 1933 Model 906 "voor lithografische" for lithography



Abbrennlampen für Maler für Imker, für Lithographen, für Kammerjöger usw. zum Abbrennen von Lack- und Farbanstrichen, Abilammen von Blenenwohnungen, für lithographische Zwecke und Insekten-Vernichtung

Fast alle in diesem Katalog aufgeführten Modelle können mit Hilte der auf S. 24 verzeichneten Breitbrenneraufsätze als Abbrennlampen verwendet werden. Die dadurch entstehende breite Stichflamme gestattet ein bequemes Bestreichen von größeren Flächen, so daß die Abbrennlampen vorzugsweise zum Abbrennen von Lack- und Farbanstrichen, sowie zum Abflammen von Bienenwohnungen, Verwendung finden. Ein längeres Verweilen der Stichflamme an einer Stelle ist aber zu vermeiden, da sonst ein Versengen der Holzteile eintreten kann.







 Barthel Nr. 340 (1 Liter) mit Breitbrenneraufsatz

 Nr. 5934, für Benzin
 RM 24.85

 Barthel Nr. 280 (1/2 Liter) mit Breitbrenneraufsatz
 Nr. 5933, für Benzin

 Nr. 5933, für Benzin
 RM 16.85





Barthel Nr. 174 $t^3/_3$ Liter) ohn e Pumpe, mit Breitbrenneraufsatz Nr. 5191, für Benzin . . RM 11.60 Barthel Nr. 204 $(t_{12}^j_3 Liter)$ mit Pumpe, mit Breitbrenneraufsatz Nr. 5101, für Benzin . . RM 14.10



 Barthel Nr. 290 (1/2 Liter) mit Breitbrenneraufsatz

 Nr. 5933, für Benzin
 RM 18.85

 Barthel Nr. 230 (1/2 Liter) mit Breitbrenneraufsatz

 Nr. 5933, für Benzin
 RM 17.85

BARTHEL German Catalogue 1938 Blowlamps "für Maler" painters, also "für Imker" (beekeeper), "für Lithographen" (lithographer), "für Kammerjäger" (pest control)"

Editor's note: It is not unusual to see lamps with flattened nozzles. Are there more examples of nozzles specially shaped like these? Are there any more "downward directed" blowlamps?

PAQUELIN & GEORG

More Photos





PAQUELIN (Later version configured as a blowlamp, showing detail of mounting the wooden handle)



C. GOERG & CO. BERLIN (Georg at front, with brass label on tank and embossed name on burner shroud)



PAQUELIN COLLECTION (Photos from Michel Duval)

WANTED

Charles Smith is interested in purchasing old three-piece Eolipyles similar to those shown in the article this issue. Please send a photo(s) and a note about its condition with your asking price to Charles at <u>ccsmith2@charter.net</u>. Thank you!

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