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Important Books Antique Lamps

Light and Heat From Hydrocarbon Appliances, Portrait of an Industry By Dr. Herman U Lahde

This is a valuable reference book written as a labor of love by Dr. Lahde to share his extensive knowledge and experience in the development of kerosene lamps, lanterns, heaters and stoves. He explains the principles of hydrocarbon burners that have provided light and heat for millions of people around the world; and, he challenges engineers to continue improvement of hydrocarbon burning appliances.

Dr. Lahde was born and educated in Germany. He holds a Ph.D. from the Technical University of Berlin. He worked for Ehrich & Graetz from 1926 to 1945 prior to coming to America. He and Fritz Graetz hold two patents. Dr. Lahde worked for Aladdin Industries Inc. from 1947 to 1960 and for American Thermos from 1960 to 1966. He retired and wrote this book, but never published it.

The book has 206 pages in 20 chapters covering the basics of fuels and combustion, wicks, wick burners and mantles, lanterns, stoves, and gasoline appliances. It is a technical reference. I have added 7 intro pages about Dr. Lahde and 7 pages in the appendix. The appendix is a translation of a 1941 Ehrich & Graetz booklet with photos of Albert, Adolf and Max Graetz. There are more than 288 detail line drawings to illustrate Lahde's writing. Limited edition of 100 copies.

Light & Heat From Hydrocarbon Appliances, hardbound blue cover, 8^{1/2}X 11 format, four pounds \$60.00
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Books by J. W. Courter

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J. W. “Bill” Courter

The Bright Knight

Bill Courter discovered the “Magic of Aladdin” when he bought a kerosene Aladdin lamp for emergency lighting in 1965. The strong, white light of the Model B Corinthian stimulated his curiosity. His collecting instinct and search for other Aladdins and historical information resulted in *Aladdin--The Magic Name in Lamps*, a book published in 1971. Reprinted nine times, the book was revised in 1997 with much new and additional information. The book’s companion, *Aladdin Collectors Manual & Price Guide*, helps collectors identify and value their kerosene lamps.

In 1987, *Aladdin Electric Lamps* was written for those collecting Aladdin electric lamps. Its companion, *Aladdin Electric Lamps Collector’s Manual & Price Guide* has been published since 1988.

Courter, who is known as the Bright Knight, and his wife Treva also publish *The Mystic Light of the Aladdin Knights* newsletter. This name was taken from ceremonies the Aladdin company held to recognize and to honor key personnel in the 1920s. Company officials were appropriately called High Mogul, Good Knight, and Restless Knight. Today’s Knights call themselves Chimney Knight, Sir Lamps-A-Lot, and similar names that reflect their collecting interests. The *Mystic Light* is mailed to more than 1700 subscribers in virtually all states, seven provinces of Canada, England, Holland, Germany, Italy, Greece, New Zealand and Australia.

The Bright Knight calls the Knights together each year to share their collecting interests. Hundreds of Knights schedule their vacations to attend these Gatherings, where they conduct seminars, sponsor the largest national lamp show in the country, hold an auction, exhibit their lamps, and make new friends.

Discovering another brand of kerosene lamp, Bill published the *Angle Lamps Collectors Manual & Price Guide* in 1992. Angle lamps were manufactured in New York City at the turn of the century. Most are hanging oil lamps and they are now highly collectible with amber, blue, ruby and etched chimney tops.

Courter is now expanding his interest and publications to other kerosene antique lamps and lighting.

The Courters also collect antique Christmas ornaments, feather trees, decorations, and other Christmas memorabilia. Their favorite old Christmas lights are Matchless Wonder Stars and they also collect and enjoy bubble lights. They are frequent lecturers on their collections in both the United States and Canada.

Courter grew up in rural New Jersey and attended Rutgers University where he received his Ph.D. Now Professor Emeritus from the Horticulture Department, University of Illinois, he has authored several hundred publications in his agricultural specialty, including the book *Vegetable Gardening for Illinois*. Bill retired in 1991.

A western Kentucky farm is home for Bill and Treva. They have 4 children and 6 grandchildren. Their Aladdin and Angle lamps are used for utility and decorative purposes, as well as pure enjoyment.