

Charles Bobzin & Co.

Detroit

- 1853 Charles Bobzin is born in Syracuse, NY, Nov. 16th
- c.1870 Bobzin is working for Lyon & Healy in Chicago (*MTR*)
- 1871 Bobzin is working for C. J. Whitney & Co. in Detroit
- 1880 Bobzin, store clerk, Detroit, home 179 Clifford St. (census)
- c1882 Orry F. "Cub" Berdan & Harry R. Williams form the Detroit Music Co, 224 Woodward Ave (directory)
- c.1883 start of Charles Bobzin & Co., music publisher and successor to the Detroit Music Co., #184-186 Woodward Ave. (*MTR*)
- 1885 Detroit Music Co, 184-186 Woodward Ave, Harry Williams & Charles Bobzin (directory)
- 1892 start of bankruptcy proceedings in October for Bobzin; listed as Charles Bobzin & Co., #184-186 Woodward Ave, music publisher & importer (news article)
- 1894 working as representative for Lyon & Healy in the New England area (*MTR*)
- 1899 now living in Philadelphia at #266 E. Clapier St. (dir)
- 1900 listed as music agent in Philadelphia (census)
- 1904 in January becomes the general manager for Oliver Ditson overseeing stores in Boston, New York & Philadelphia that were part of the former John C. Hayes Co. (*MTR*)
- 1908 now living in Boston and working for Ditson
- 1910 living at #45 Spencer St., Dorchester, MA; working for Ditson and elected president of the Boston Music Trade Association (census & *MTR*)
- 1911 ends working for Ditson
- 1911-1916 working for Aeolian Co. then Stanley & Pearsall in NYC
- 1916-1918 working for the Charles Williams Store in Brooklyn, NY, manager for the musical merchandise dept. (dir)
- 1918 arranges sale of musical merchandise from Williams Store to Peate's Music House of Utica (*MTR*)
- 1918 Bobzin dies on July 14th due to complications resulting from a fall in 1917; living at #1109 Amsterdam Ave., Manhattan



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DETROIT:
CHARLES BOBZIN & COMPANY,
PUBLISHERS AND IMPORTERS.
184-186 WOODWARD AVENUE.

Cornet above from internet auction would date to the 1883-1892 period. His portrait is from a "Music Trade Review" article in 1906.