

Charles Bobzin & Co.

Detroit

- 1853 Charles Bobzin is born in Syracuse, NY, Nov. 16.
- 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 Bobzin is 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, Bobzin 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 Bobzin 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 14 due to complications resulting from a fall in 1917. Living at #1109 Amsterdam Ave., Manhattan.



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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.