

Gaetz Music House

Columbus, Ohio

- 1906 Charles Gaetz emigrates to the US from Bernau, Austria (g-daughter Jen Lum). [1930 census says 1910; 1920 census says 1907]
- 1911 Charles Albert Gaetz (1886-1957) establishes a music business in Columbus (Nat. Reg. of Historic Places research).
- 1917 C. A. Gaetz, musical instrument maker, b. 7/12/1886 in Frankford, Russia (WWI Draft).
- 1919 Gaetz Music House moves to 49-53 West Long St, Columbus (NRHP). (photo 1)
- 1920 Charles Gaetz, manufacturer of musical instruments (census).
- 1930 Charles is the owner of a music store and son Lloyd (1912-1972) is a clerk there (census).
- 1940 Lloyd Gaetz is the owner and manager of the music store (census).
- 1956 Charles and Lloyd are both in retail music (marriage cert.).
- 1972 The business closes with the death of Lloyd.

This slide cornet, found at an auction site, likely was an import that was stenciled by Gaetz. It's not known what instruments Charles actually made.

I also found a cornet mouthpiece marked, "C.A. Gaetz."

According to granddaughter Jen Lum, he did repairs and made custom mouthpieces.

