

# Alcide Edward Mathey

## Boston, Massachusetts

- 1872 Alcide E. Mathey (1862-1939) emigrates from Switzerland with his parents & family (census).
- 1876 Father Ferdinand August Mathey (1837-1884) is naturalized in Boston.
- 1880 Alcide Mathey, engraver, #43 Willow St., Brooklyn (census). Ferdinand A. Mathey, watchmaker, #1080 Tremont St, Boston (census).
- 1883 Daughter Constance is born in Philadelphia (birth rec.)
- 1884 Ferdinand dies by drowning, buried in Needham, MA.
- 1886 Alcide's son Ferdinand is born in Philadelphia.
- 1890 Son Alcide Jr (1890-1954) is born in Philadelphia.
- 1899 Alcide files for a patent in November on a bicycle brake, #29 Prospect St, Waltham, MA (patent).
- 1900 Alcide is granted patent #658,552 for brake. Daughter Jeanette is born in Waltham, MA (birth record).
- 1905 A. E. Mathey, machinist, #11 Burnell, Roxbury (directory).
- 1906 Possibly working as an engraver for Fairbanks / Vega Co.
- 1908 Granted patent #885,269 for banjo rim design allowing for a better tone quality; Boston (patent).
- 1910 Alcide E. Mathey, #62 Catawba St, Boston, musical instrument engraver (census).
- 1916 Alcide Mathey, machinist, #106 Topliff, Dorchester (dir).
- 1917 Son A. Edward Mathey resigned from his job and started a used truck tire business out of a room at #62 Sudbury St, Boston (*The Automobile Journal*, Dec.). [ probably sharing space with his father]
- 1918 A. E. Mathey Co. signed a minimum wage agreement with the metal polishers' union (*Our Journal*, Jan.).
- 1918 Ad for A. E. Mathey, mouthpiece specialist, #62 Sudbury St, Boston (*Boston Post*, April 21).
- 1920 Alcide Mathey, musical inst, #66 Edenville Ave, Boston (census).
- 1921 Alcide Mathey, musical instruments, #62 Sudbury St, Boston [former location for Quinby / Standard Band Inst Co / Vega] (directory).



1922 Alcide Mathey, musical instruments, #62 Sudbury (dir).  
Mathey joins the new Boston Society of Musical  
Instrument Manufacturers (*Music Trade Review*).

1925 A. E. Mathey, musical inst, #62 Sudbury, room 5, h.  
Belmont (city directory).

1929 Mathey dies in Boston on June 26. [GenealogyBank says  
1939 but his wife is listed as a widow in the 1930 census.]

Trumpet mouthpiece on page 1 has the #62 Sudbury address so  
dates to the early 1920s. This has a rim similar to the Conn patent  
from 1912. Others found are for tuba (photo 1) & cornet (photo 2  
& below).

