

Basic Detail Report



Cornet, B-flat, A, C, high pitch / low pitch

Date

1902 ca.

Primary Maker

C. G. Conn

Description

This cornet was custom made for Murray DuBois Carmichael Sr. (1885-1955), who played it in the University of Chicago Military Band while he studied for his J.D. degree (1909). A Billingsville, Indiana native, Carmichael set up his law practice in West Palm Beach, Florida, where he eventually served three terms as the city's mayor and two terms as a member of the Florida State House of Representatives. He owned extensive real estate, bred and trained fine horses, and developed and operated a golf course, an airfield, and a race track. And, not to be forgotten, his obituary notes, he organized the city's first municipal band, in which he played trumpet

(and perhaps earlier, this very cornet). Brass, silver- and gold-plated with satin finish; bell interior, valve caps, and ferrules burnished; mother-of-pearl touchpiece inlays. Two alternative tuning slides for the first bow: 1. for the key of C: simple U slide; 2. for the key of B-flat: U-slide with additional small loop with its own small slide (alternative for high pitch and low pitch; only one slide preserved). Quick-change to A slide with stop rod between first and third valve. Three tower-spring Périnet valves with two unequal guide pins each.

Dimensions

Height: 316 mm Bell diameter: 120 mm Bore (second valve slide): 10.68 mm