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Niotaze Had A Uniformed City Band

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NIOTAZE (JNS)— Back about the turn of the century city bands were in demand, and Niotaze had a good one that played at a lot of gatherings in the area.

In 1899 Niotaze had a uniformed band of 21 instruments. Among members were Ralph Perkins,

Root Mason, Newton Rayl, Elmer Kirkendall, Amos DuBois, Fred Hocket, Roy Hocket, Frank Finney, Roy Hampton, Jess Wright, Otto Henderson, Winfred Henderson, Lyle Tames, Albert Hockett, Arthur Bessy, Charles Flauff, Jay Knapp, John Bushwell, Latte Crandell.

Charles Bowen of Caney directed the band. After he retired Charley Flauff was the director. He later moved to Caney and was city clerk until his death.

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