

Hafner & Sutphin

Philadelphia

- 1874 John P. Hafner, Sr. (1856-1929) starts as errand boy for Klemm Bros. in Philadelphia (*Music Trade Review*, 1924).
- 1900 Both Hafner and Eugene Addis Sutphin (1876-1965) are working as music store salesmen at Kretschmar's (directory & *MTR*, 1924).
- 1911 Hafner & Sutphin music store opens at #149 N. 9th St.
- 1921 H&S moves to 4 story building at #925 Arch St (dir).
- 1922 H&S selling Pan-American band instruments.
- 1924 H&S receives a large shipment of brass instruments from Bohland & Fuchs of Grazlitz (*MTR*). [This is probably the source of any instrument found with their stencil.]
- 1925 H&S selling Rexcraft bugles.
- 1926 Hafner retires in June and Sutphin purchases his half of the business, changing the name to E. A. Sutphin Inc. (*MTR*).
- 1929 Hafner dies on April 22nd at his home, #802 E. Cheltenham Ave. His son John Paul Hafner, Jr. works for the railroad as a stenographer and never gets involved in music.
- 1930 Sutphin runs the music store and his sister Marie is a secretary there. He never marries or has children (census).
- 1935 Sutphin still at #925 Arch St (dir).
- 1940s The Morris Sklar Co. is located at #925 Arch St and may have been renting the building from Sutphin (dir).
- 1958 Eugene Sutphin sells the Arch St. property (deed).



Photo: trombone is the only instrument I have found with the H&S name on it (Horn-u-copia.net). They were primarily retailers and never would have made any instruments.