

# Emil Wulschner & Son

## Indianapolis, Indiana

- 1876 Emil Wulschner (1847-1900) marries widow Flora Stewart, who was finishing her music studies in Munich, and moves with her to Indianapolis. He is listed in the 1876 city directory as William E. Wulschner, teacher of German.
- 1877 Emil Wulschner, clerk for Albert Gall, carpets & wallpaper.
- 1878 E.W., clerk for Henry Benham music store, #36 E. Wash.
- 1879 E.W., pianos, organs & musical merchandise, #44 N. Penn.
- 1880 Flora is working as a music teacher.
- 1884 Now at #42 & 44 N. Pennsylvania Ave., music & inst. (dir).
- 1888 Wulschner becomes the sole US importer for Boosey brass instruments.
- 1893 Now Emil Wulschner & Son, #42-44 N. Penn. with stepson Alexander M. Stewart (1867-?).
- 1896 Starts producing guitars and mandolins under the "Regal" name, which is later sold to Lyon & Healy.
- 1897 Now at #78-80 N. Penn. (directory).
- 1898 Now at #128-130 N. Penn. (dir).
- 1900 Emil dies in April and the company is formed as Wulschner-Stewart Music Co. with Flora as president and Alexander as VP & manager, #128-130 N. Penn. (dir).
- 1903 "It is announced that the firm name of the Wulschner Music Co is to be changed to the Wulschner-Stewart Music Co. Alex M. Stewart has been a member of the firm since 1892. He is the stepson of Emil and has been the active head of the company since Mr. Wulschner's death in 1900." Their Crescent model cornets and trombones had a good reputation (*Music Trade Review*).
- 1904 Crescent band instrument are made by Wulschner (*MTR*).
- 1909 Flora dies and Alexander becomes the company president. They move to #229-231 N. Penn. (dir).
- 1913 W-S Music Co. is now run by William Woodley. Alexander starts the A.M. Stewart Realty Co. (dir).
- 1914 Last year that W-S Music Co. is listed (dir).
- 1916 Alexander starts the Stewart Talking Machine Co., with his two sons, which survives into the 1920s.



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Brass instruments can be dated with the bell marking.  
“Emil Wulschner” = 1879-1892; “E. Wulschner & Son” =  
1893-1902; “Wulschner-Stewart Music Co.” = 1903-1914.  
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