

# 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. 9<sup>th</sup> 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 22<sup>nd</sup> 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