

Reiffel & Husted

Chicago

Phillip Reiffel (1883-1934)

Carl Reiffel (1885-1943)

Bernard (Barney) Reiffel (1887-1954)

John Husted (1889-1962)

1892 or 94 Reiffel family emigrates from Russia to Chicago.

1902 Phillip starts a silversmith business.

1910 Phillip is a silversmith living with Carl & Barney at #3510 Irving Park Blvd. Barney is a musician (census).

1917-18 Bugles made for WWI are marked "R&H Chicago."

1920 Census shows John Husted at silversmith factory; born in NY of German parents.

1923 Reiffel & Husted, #206 S. Wabash Ave, silversmiths; Phillip pres, Husted vp, Barney sec, Carl tres (dir).

1930 Census shows three brothers in silversmith business.

1940 Census shows John Husted, owner of decorating business.

1942 Draft records have Barney owning a business at #2700 W. Van Buren St.; born in Grodno, Russia.

1943 Carl dies Nov 3rd; listed as president of silversmith co.

1954 Barney dies Feb 8th; listed as silver plater (obit.).

Husted gets out of the business before 1940, but it probably continues until Barney's death in 1954. The only brass instruments found are bugles dating to the WWI era.

Photos from auction sales.

