


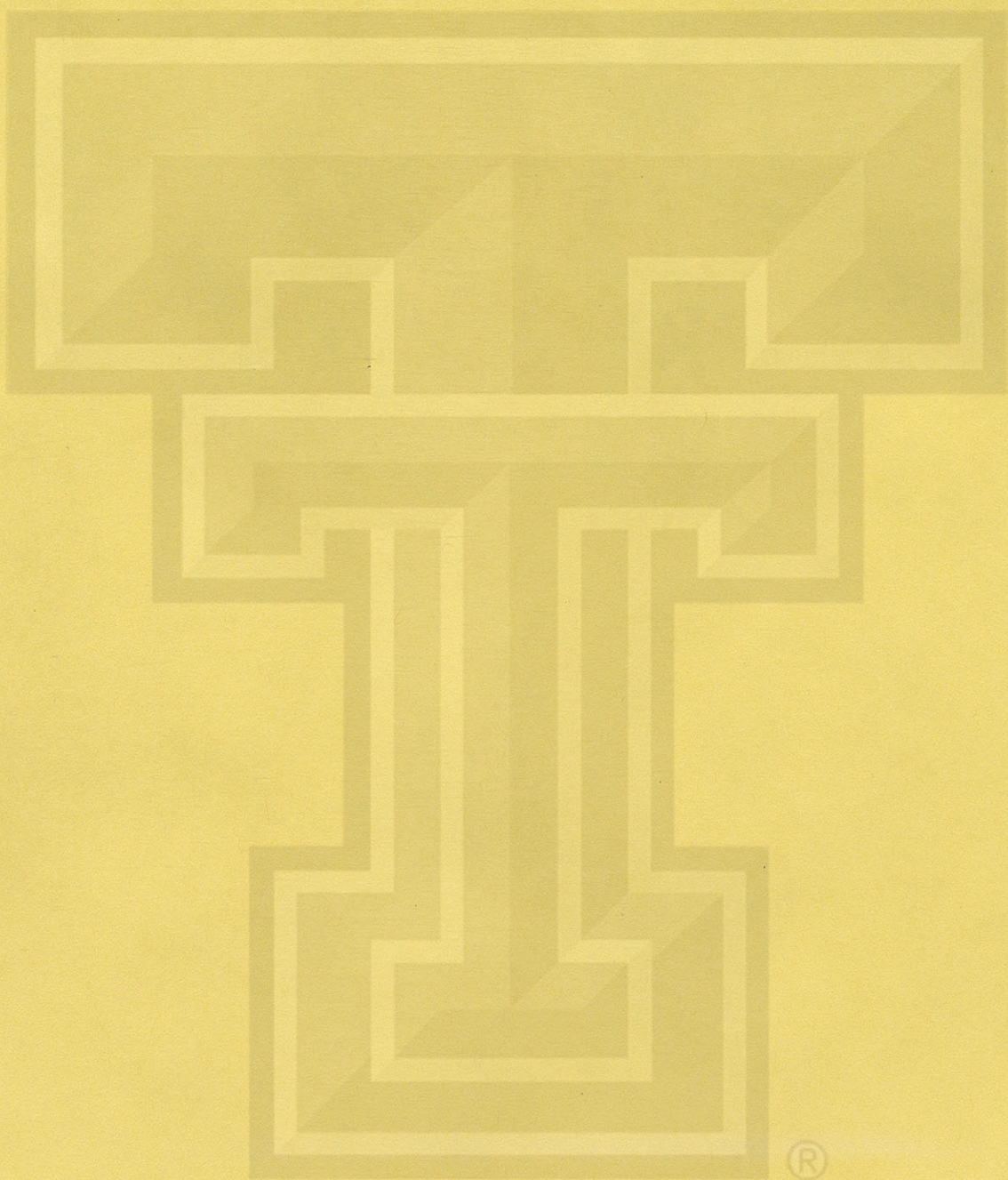
To Ray Catill, Jr.

Your great grandfather Frederick Suppe was a Prussian of
of Germany was born in Germany. Served 3 yrs as a soldier
he married after  country was married one year. There
came to America with his wife and a daughter in a sail-
ship. it took over 90 days to get across the Atlantic Ocean
to New York. The passenger run short of food and water about
two thirds across and ship stood still for some time there came
a rain and they caught some water but not enough to last long
then they took salt water from the Ocean and boiled it and
caught it. That was their drinking water one cup a day for
each person and so it was with food to the last. They got
tired of herring. The passengers throwed them overboard finally
they sighted ^{land} they shed tears for joy. Their goods were shipped
on another sailship which sank in the Ocean. well they
got to New York from there moved to Sheboygan, Wisconsin. There
were good many Germans but could not any wood or carpenter
trades. Then he went to the Iron ore mine got work. The Boss
gave him a wheelbarrow and motion in the mine. he under-
stood that he loaded his wheelbarrow full. The rest of the miners
Irish. They stood and watched him and shook their heads
one of them took his wheelbarrow told him to follow which
did filled his wheelbarrow half full and asked to him go
he was alright to them. Then while he was there grandfather
got word from the sailship if he would sent \$300 they would sent
his goods to him. he got the goods with clothing and bedding
some all other except dishes. (over)

From Wisconsin grandfather moved to Cincinnati Ohio.
There the Civil War broke out, he tried to get work as
the carpenter but there all work stopped even at 50 cts a
day. So he went to join the Federal Army at 15⁰⁰ a month
was promoted to Sargent. because he was a trained
soldier. He had trained men for the army, served 3 years
he had to go Virginia, in the Battle of Wilderness, Richmond
Antietam, and many others, went through many hardships.

Received deck today

Battle mentioned above could be Williams, Battle in Virginia
July 2, 1864; Richmond Virginia - 1865 and Antietam or Sharpsburg,
Battle in Maryland, Sept. 16 & 17 of 1862.



Frederick Wm. Supper

(1) Fredrick Wm Gottl Suppe
b. 20 Aug 1817, Naumburg an-die Saale, Prussia
d. 7 Feb 1909, Moberly, Missouri
& Clementine Charlotte Rumland
b. 10 Apr 1819, Buttstedt, Weimar, Saxony
d. 21 Apr 1892, Moberly, Missouri
m. ca Jun 1841

(2) Fredricka Henneretta Rossitta Suppe
b. 6 Jan 1842, Naumburg an-die Saale, Prussia?
d. 5 Feb 1925
& Martin L. Zimmerman
b. 8 Nov 1831, Beuren, Baden, Germany
d. 10 Mar 1914
m. 26 Dec 1859, Saline Co MO

(3) George W Zimmerman

(3) Thomas H Zimmerman

(3) Frank W Zimmerman

(3) Annie M Zimmerman

(3) Wendell M Zimmerman

(3) William F Zimmerman

(3) Minnie Zimmerman
b. 20 Feb 1870
d. 7 Apr 1931

(3) Ernest Zimmerman

(3) Ada Zimmerman

(3) Elizabeth Zimmerman

(2) Louise Alvena Ida Suppe
b. 15 Mar 1844
d. 21 Nov 1846

(3) Charles F. Grotjan
b. abt 1861

(2) Clara Louise Clementina Suppe
b. 6 Sep 1845, Germany
d. 12 Aug 1872, Chariton Co MO
& Carl (Charles) Heinrich August Grotjan
b. 23 Apr 1830
d. aft 1900
m. abt 1860

(3) Louisa Grotjan
b. ca 1863?
& Adolph Nemnich
m. 20 Apr 1882, Moberly Mo

(3) Julius Grotjan
b. 16 Feb 1866, Chariton Co. MO
d. 7 Dec 1950, Moberly, Missouri
& Therese C.
b. 5 Jun 1875, Missouri
d. 1 Oct 1946, Moberly, Missouri

(4) Arthur Grotjan
b. Jan 1898, Moberly, Missouri
d. 1905, Moberly, Missouri

(4) George Grotjan
b. 19 Jun 1909
d. Jun 1985

(3) William A. Grotjan
b. ca. 1867?

(3) Minna (Minnie) Grotjan
b. 1869

(2) Clara Alvina Suppe
b. 13 Jul 1847, Germany
d. aft Feb 1909
& John Evert
b. 25 Aug 1840, Germany
d. aft 1917
m. ca 1868

(3) Dora Evert
b. ca 1869, Missouri

(3) Ida Evert
b. ca 1871, Missouri

(3) John Evert
b. ca 1873, Missouri

(3) Carry Evert
b. ca 1876, Missouri

(3) Clara Evert
b. ca 1878, Missouri

(3) baby Evert
b. May 1880, Moberly Mo

(2) Nannie Marie Rosalia Amalie Suppe
b. 27 Dec 1848
d. 21 Aug 1915
& Carl Vogelreich
b. 26 Sep 1858
d. 26 Sep 1890
m. aft 1884

(3) Mada Vogelreich

(2) Wm. Henry August Fredrich Suppe
b. 17 Jun 1851, Naumburg an-die Saale, Prussia
d. 23 Nov 1932
& Julia Louise White
b. 15 Mar 1856, Farmington, St. Francis Co. MO
d. 23 Nov 1938
m. 7 Dec 1876, New Frankfort, Saline Co. MO

(3) Frederick William Suppe
b. 22 Feb 1878, Moberly, Randolph Co. MO
d. 24 Oct 1956, Los Angeles CA
& Dorothy Roehrig
b. 15 Dec 1878, Emporia ? KS?
d. 26 Sep 1965, Los Angeles CA
m. 12 Feb 1901, Emporia Ks

(4) infant Suppe
d. 25 Sep 1902

(3) Charles Herman Suppe
b. 28 Oct 1879, Emporia, Lyon Co. KS
d. 20? Sept 1972
& Jenny M. Hinton
b. 1 Mar 1882, Kansas
d. 6 Sep 1972, Monterey Park CA
m. 15 Jun 1904, Parsons KS

(4) George Herman Suppe
b. 1 Nov 1906, Kansas
d. 31 Aug 1990, Orange CA
& Lora M.
b. 31 May 1909, Kansas
d. 23 Apr 1973, Monterey Park CA

(3) Nellie Louise Suppe
b. 14 Feb 1882, Emporia, Lyon Co. KS
d. 4 Apr 1888, Emporia, Lyon Co. KS

(4) William C. (Charlie) Suppe
b. 1 Nov 1906, Kansas
d. 21 Sep 1976, Lake Co CA
& Mary

(3) Edward Herman Suppe
b. 27 Nov 1883, Emporia, Lyon Co. KS
d. 29 Mar 1966, South Gate CA
& Lillian Pearl Hibler
b. 13 May 1885, Ozark AR
d. 13 Mar 1974, South Gate CA
m. 29 Jan 1907, Galena KS

(4) Jack Kingsley Suppe
b. 23 May 1910
d. 31 Jan 1971
& Gertrude Florence Cross
b. 6 Nov 1911, Los Angeles CA
m. 18 Oct 1936, Los Angeles CA

(5) Robert Arthur Suppe
b. 24 Aug 1937
d. 19 Dec 1996

(5) Frederick Roy Suppe
b. 22 Feb 1940

(5) John Edward Suppe
b. 30 Nov 1942, Los Angeles CA
& Barbara Louise Guest
b. 5 Jun 1942
m. 21 Aug 1965, La Puente CA

(6) Benjamin Andrew Suppe
b. 2 Mar 1970

(6) Ann Catherine Suppe
b. 21 Mar 1973

(4) Doris Wilma Suppe
b. 27 Jan 1924, Los Angeles CA
d. 27 Jun 1974, Los Angeles CA
& Richard C. Hubbard
b. 7 Sep 1923, Huntington Park CA

(5) Mark Dewitt Hubbard
b. 18 Oct 1952, Los Angeles Co CA
d. 5 Apr 1986, Placer Co CA

(5) Dean Carson
b. 1956
& Karen Joanne Meyers
b. 1958

(6) Kathrine T. Hubbard
b. 1979

(3) Clara May Suppe
b. 17 Apr 1885, Emporia , Lyon Co. KS
d. 21 Apr 1888, Emporia , Lyon Co. KS

(3) Laura Bell Suppe
b. 22 Jan 1887, Emporia , Lyon Co. KS
d. 19 Jul 1932, Los Angeles CA

(3) Emma Margarete (Shine) Suppe
b. 2 Jun 1891, Emporia , Lyon Co. KS
d. 19 Jan 1978, Los Angeles CA
& Lawrence Benedict Brown
b. 15 Aug 1894, New York City
d. 24 Jul 1964, Los Angeles CA
m. 3 Aug 1920

(3) Clara Kathryn (Honey) Suppe
b. 31 Jul 1892, Emporia , Lyon Co. KS
d. 20 Oct 1964, Los Angeles CA
& Arlo Dale Squires
b. 2 Jul 1895, Iowa
d. 9 Dec 1962, Los Angeles CA
m. 14 Jul 1916

(2) Ernest Rudolph Suppe
b. 22 Aug 1853, Germany
d. aft 1898 bf 1909
& Clara Nugen
b. ca 1859, Iowa
m. 30 Oct 1879, Saline Co Missouri

(2) Reinhold Suppe
b. 24 Nov 1854
d. May 1855

(2) Herman Rinaldo Suppe
b. 20 Oct 1856, Wisconsin
d. 13 Jun 1887
& Hattie G.
b. Aug 1859, Pennsylvania

(3) Carl A. Suppe
b. ca Mar 1884
d. 6 Feb 1885

(3) Harry R. Suppe
b. aft 1880
d. 29 Sep 1885

(3) Herman D. Suppe
b. ca Nov 1886
d. 26 Jun 1887

(2) Richard George Suppe
b. 28 Feb 1858, Wisconsin
d. 6 Dec 1898
& Gertrude Augusta Balke
b. 29 Oct 1858, Michigan or Pennsylvania
d. 30 Jun 1954, West Los Angeles

(3) Marie? Suppe
b. Jan 1884, Missouri

(3) Dickey Suppe
b. ca 1887
d. 1890

(3) William F. Suppe
b. 20 May 1888, Missouri
d. 8 Apr 1966, Manhattan Beach CA
& Nell H. Patton
b. 11 Feb 1898, CA
d. 9 Jan 1997, Manhattan Beach CA

(3) Harry B. Suppe
b. Nov 1890, Missouri



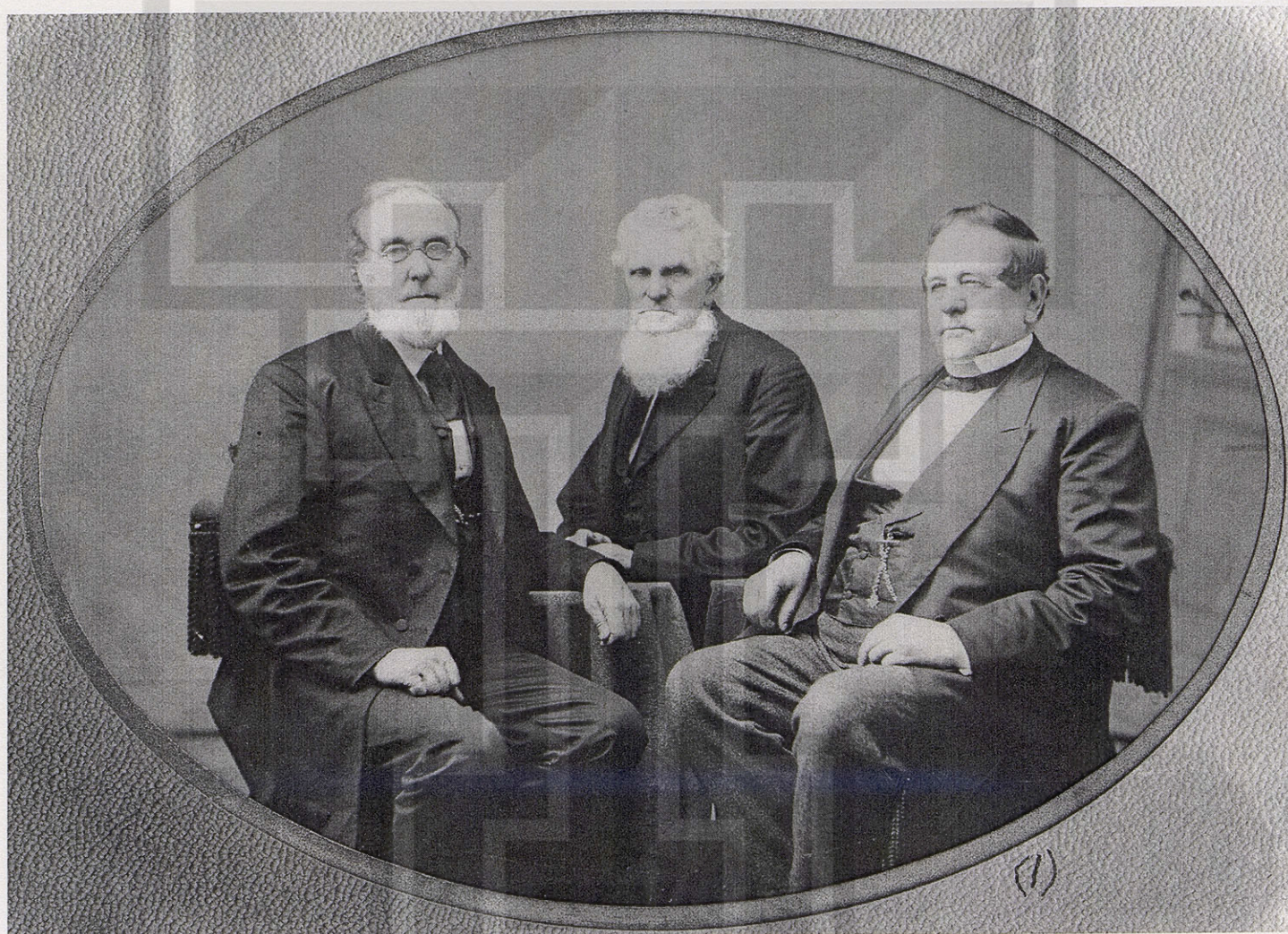
History of Suppe Sewing Machines
 says, founded by W. H. Suppe in 1883
 in Moberly, Missouri

New York 99 cent store was probably in Emporia KS and not in Moberly (Moberly store just called 99 cent). WH Suppe was in Emporia in 1883.



Possibly inside New York 99¢ store
Moberly Mo 1883[®] W H Suppe

Actually this store, if it is the 99 cent store of WH Suppe was probably in Emporia Ks and not Moberly.
Certainly WH Suppe was in Emporia by 1883.



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Possibly Joplin, Missouri where W. H. Suppe
opened a sewing machine store that also sold bicycles
(after moving from Moberly, MO)

[note: This is a transcription made in May 2000 of a typescript written perhaps about 1956 by Frederick R. Suppe, grandson of Edward Herman Suppe. Principal source was oral memories of E. H. Suppe (1883-1966)] (minor corrections July 2002).

History of Suppe's Sewing Machines

Suppe's was started in 1883 by W. H. Suppe, an immigrant from Germany. He opened his first store in Moberly, Missouri. He earned the money to start it by working on the Wabash Railroad at \$1.50 a day. Despite the fact that he had seven mouths to feed, he had managed to save \$500 to make the venture. With this money, he went to St. Louis and bought merchandise which included sewing machines. He opened the "New York 99 Cent Store" in Moberly, Missouri. This was probably the first of the "dime stores" in the United States. He went broke because of crooked help.

(note: This date of 1883 does not agree with other sources, including Culter's 1883 History of the State of Kansas (Lyon County) stating that he came to Kansas from Moberly in 1879 and founded a New York 99 Cent Variety Store. In 1876/77 he had a store in Moberly selling "notions, fancy goods, fruit confectionery, cigars and tobacco" and the 1880 Moberly Census listing for his brother Rudolph Suppe mentions a 99cent store and in 1884/5 his brothers Herman Rinaldo Suppe & Richard George Suppe are listed as owners of Suppe Bros. Great 99 Cent & Variety Store. In 1883 he had four children; by 1892 had seven living children.)

He earned another \$500 working on the railroad, started the business again and he again went broke during the Cleveland Administration depression. (note: Presumably this would be the very deep 1893-1895 depression during the second Cleveland administration.)

He then went to Emporia, Kansas. It was during the depths of the depression and as he didn't have a job, he went to look for one. He went to the Emporia Hardware and Trading Company. He asked for a job and he was told that there were none to be gotten and that they were almost broke. He offered to collect their bills and he started to manage the business. He went to the customers to collect the bills, and if they didn't have the money, he would take payment in cattle, cordwood, livestock, or whatever he could get his hands on. Then after he had collected the "payment", he would say something like this, "How'd you like to buy a new plow, we got a swell stock of them at the store," and as a result he would sell them more merchandise.

As he sold all of the merchandise, it was necessary to replenish the stock. To do this it needed cash, not cattle or cordwood. He went to the bank to get a loan and they refused him. He said, "I got collateral", and took them to the store to show them. He took them out to the rear of the store, showed them cordwood that was stacked higher than the building, a tremendous barnyard loaded to the gills with livestock, and bins full of enough grain to feed the animals for ten years.

As a result of this spectacular display, he received his loan. He worked for the Emporia Hardware and Trading Company for a long time.

He then went to Joplin, Missouri and opened up a sewing machine store and also manufactured bicycles at the same time. In addition to his sewing machine trade and manufacturing, he had some property which he rented as dwellings. He painted everything that he owned a bright orange-yellow, which whenever a person went through the town would let them know what was W. H. Suppe's. He always used to say, "You always want to look beyond the end of your nose."

He came to California in 1911 and he started his sewing machine business here. He did this venture with his family and in the early twenties he retired. At this time there were three or four stores in the company. During this period it became the largest sewing machine store in the United States, west of the Mississippi River. They used to bring sewing machines over the Ridge Route from as far away as Washington by horse drawn wagon. They brought machines over from as far east as the Mississippi River.

When the depression came in 1930, his two sons, Ed and Charley, dissolved their partnership, closed two of the stores and each took one. Ed, my Grandfather, came to Huntington Park and in 1930 his son Jack, my father, came into the business. During this period of time they began to sell "white goods", (gas refrigerators and stoves, washing machines and ironers), along with the sewing machines.

During the second World War, they sold anything that they could get their hands on to keep the business going. They lived on repair work, sold white goods, greeting cards, had a branch of the Post Office in their store, confiscated the stock (legally) of a 10 cent store that had been operated by an enemy agent and disposed of it, and took items in on trade for other goods.

After the second World War, they dropped the white goods because of the cut-throat competition that was on an unethical basis.

Since the business has grown, they have survived the period of "Bait and Switch competition" (Bait-and-switch, meaning to advertise a stripped down model at a ridiculously low price, and then try to sell the customer a high-priced machine instead.) in which over a dozen sewing machine stores have started and then folded in the last few years in the Huntington Park area. ??? Today, they handle all the major brands of sewing machines(????) and hold a distributorship for the White Sewing Machine Company.

They try to outdo the competition by giving better service, such as: When a customer buys a machine, they give as many individual lessons in the customer's home as are necessary. They teach by having the customer do everything herself instead of just watching someone else. That way, the customer uses and takes care of the machine properly, and is satisfied with it. Some other dealers have been known to call this "unfair competition".

Family of Edward Herman Suppe, copied from his paternal father's family Bible. He was:

Fredick (sic) Wm Suppe

born in Naumberg an-die Saala, Germany Aug. 20, 1817

died Feb. 7, 1909

(note: Naumburg am Saale is ~40 km SW of Leipzig, Germany)

Married Clementine Charlotte Rumland

Born in Bultstets bei Sax

Weimer, Germany April 10, 1819 Died August, 1892

(note: Butteltstedt is about 10 km N of Weimar and 25 km W of Naumburg)

To this union were born 12 children:

1. Fredricka Henneretta Rossitta Suppe born Jan 6, 1842

2. Louise Alvena Ida Suppe Born Mar. 15, 1844, died Nov. 21, 1846

3. Clara Louise Clementina Suppe Born Sept. 6, 1845 Died Aug. 12, 1872

4. Clara Alvina Suppe Born July 13, 1847

5. Nannie Rosalie Amalie Suppe

Born Dec. 27, 1848 Died Aug. 21, 1915

6. Henrich Wm. August Suppe

Born June 17, 1851

7. Ernest Rudolph Suppe Born Aug. 22, 1853

8 Reinhold Suppe

Born Nov. 24, 1854 Died May 1855

9. Herman Rinaldo Suppe

Born Oct. 20, 1856 Died June 13, 1887

10. Richard George Suppe

Born Feb. 28, 1858

11. Elizabeth Clementina Suppe

Born Sept. 4, 1862 Died Jan. 9, 1903

12. Nannie Jane Suppe Born Dec. 27, 1865

Edward Herman Suppe's maternal great-grandfather was:

Wm. W. White Born in Grayson Co., Ky. Oct. 28, 1828
Died Aug. 6, 1881

Married July 12, 1853
Canzada Caroline Hickman
Born in Cape Girardeau Co., Mo. Aug. 1, 1826
Died April 29, 1892

To this union were born 5 children:

1. Emily J. White July 19, 1854
2. Julia Louise Mar. 15, 1956
3. Wm. Perl Feb. 1858
4. Alphene Del Nov. 14, 1863
5. Rufus Ed July 19, 1867

Ancestors of Lillian Pearl Suppe and their families.

1. John Millard Hibler (16 April 1856 - 20 Sept. 1933) m. Harriet Wormington

1. Ethel (Dec. 1800 - 1962)

2 William (- 1961)

3 Lillian Pearl (13 May 1885-)

1.1 Ethel Hibler (1962 m. William Richardson

1. Frank Oct. 17-1896

2. Delma Feb. 14. 1898

3. Gaye Feb. 4, 1900

1.11 Delma Richardson m. Glover Stith Deceased 1956

m. annulled 1/22/74
d. 1/22/79

1.12 Frank Richardson m. Josephine Fucconi (divorced)

Daughter Delma m. Ruth

1.13. Gaye m. Dr. Phil Boller, Dec. 1923 Deceased 1932

m. John Gooderidge Feb. 1935

1.2 William Hibler (Elta, I will not fill this in, as you have so much more information than I have. Can you send me this complete branch of the family?)

1.3 Lillian Pearl Hibler (d. Mar. 1974 m. Edward Herman Suppe (1883-1966)

Arkansas 13 May 1885- Mar. 1974) (Emporia, Kansas 30 Nov. 10 (?) - 29 Mar.,
Married 29 Jan. 1908 Joplin, Mo.

1. Jack Kingsley Suppe Married Oct. 18, 1936 Gertrude Florence Cross
Los Angeles, Calif. , b. 23 May 1910, Los Angeles, CA Nov. 6, 1911
d. Jan 31 1971.

2. Doris Wilma Suppe married Dr. Richard Hubbard
Los Angeles, CA 27 Jan. 1924 Huntington Park, CA 7 Sept. 1923
divorced
died June 1974

3. William Benton Hibler m. Mary Rand

He was English and Dutch, a plantation owner, she was French.

1. Lee

2. Charles H. Died Sulpher Springs, Ark.

3. John Millard (1) 1856-1933) Died Los Angeles, CA

5. Benton Wormingron m

1. daughter Vannie

m. Nancy Burton (Scotch-Irish)

2. Harriet (2) (This means she is ancestor 2 on the chart)

3. Jack

4. Lee

5. Millie

6. Henry

7. Barbara

The following is in my handwriting, and may or not be true:

3.1 Lee Hibler m. Lucy

1. John

2. Pearl

3. Lee

4. Lily

3.2 Charles Hibler m. Mimi

1 Mimi Bushner (?)

Wm. Henry August Fredrich Suppe (generally known in later life as Wm. H. Suppe
Born Nauvemberg, Germany June 17, 1851 Died Nov. 23, 1932.

Married Julia Louise White Dec. 7, 1876 in New Frankfort. Saline Co., Mo.
Born in Farmington, St. Frances Co., MO Mar. 15, 1856 Died Nov. 23, 1938

To this union were born 8 children

1. Frederick William Suppe
Born in Moberly, Randolph Co., Mo. Feb. 22, 1878

Married Dorothy Roehrig, (born *note: scratched out*) in Emporia Kansas Dec. 15, 1878
Feb. 12, 1901.

2. Charles Herman Suppe
Born in Emporia Kansas, Lyon Co. Oct. 28, 1879
Married Jennie M. Hinton in Parsons, Kans. June 15, 1904
Born March 1, 1882
(*hand written note*: Died 9/20(?) /72 Inglewood Park Cemetery, Los Angeles)

3. Nellie Louise Suppe
Born in Emporia Kans. Feb. 14, 1882
Died at Emporia Kansas, April 4, 1888

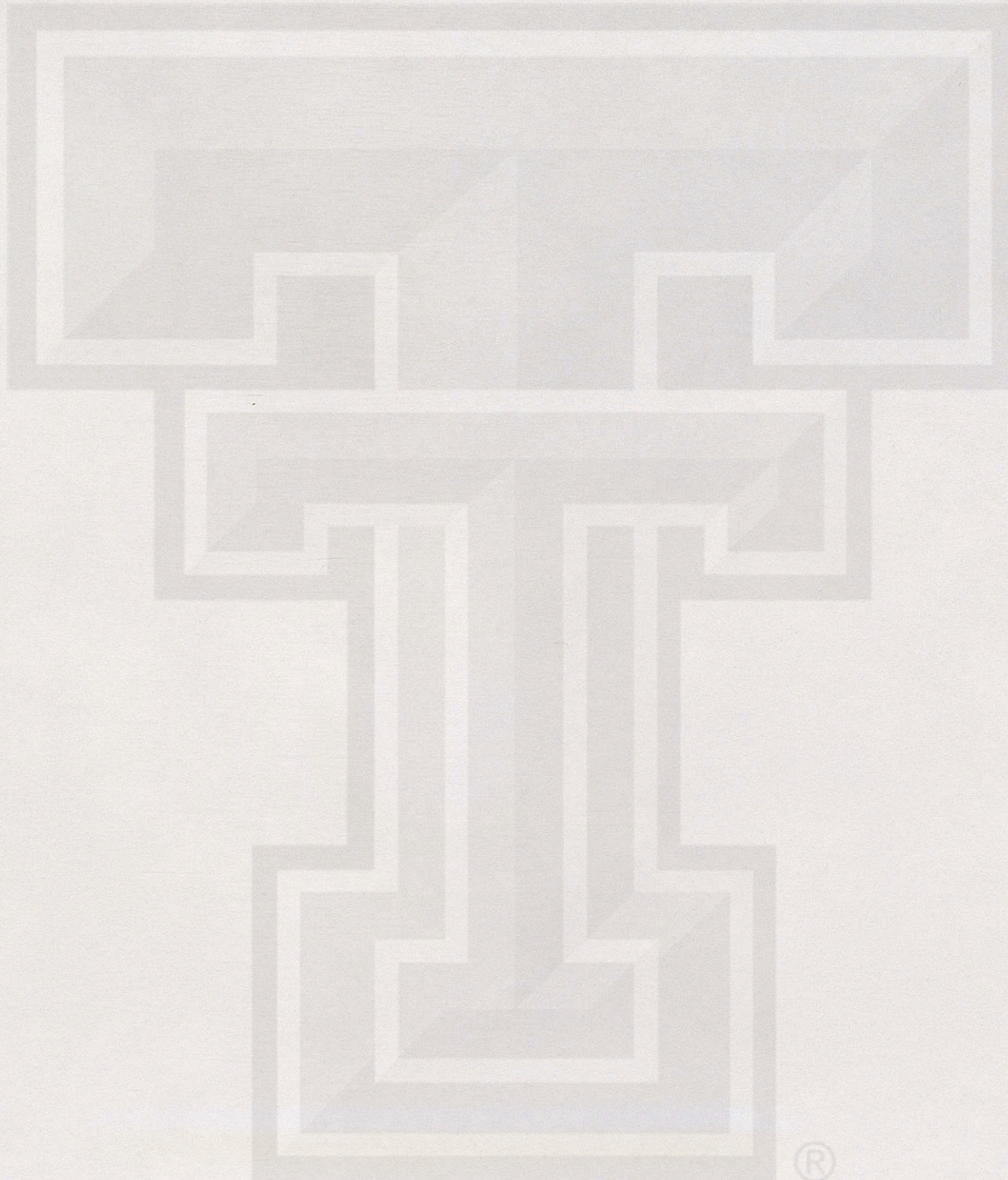
4. Edward Herman Suppe
Born in Emporia Kans. Nov. 27, 1883
Married Lillian Pearl Hibler of Galena Kans. Jan. 29, 1907
Born in Ozark, Arkansas May 13, 1885

5. Clara May Suppe
Born in Emporia, Kansas April 17, 1885
Died in Emporia Kansas April 21, 1888

6. Laura Bell Suppe
Born in Emporia Kans. Jan 22, 1887
Died in Los Angeles, Calif. July 19, 1932

7. Emma Margarete Suppe (Shine)
Born in Emporia Kans. June 2, 1891
Married Lawrence Benedict Brown Aug. 3, 1920
Born N.Y. City Aug. 15, 1894

8. Clara Kathryn Suppe (Honey)
Born in Emporia Kans. July 31, 1892
Married Arlo Dale Squire July 14, 1916
Born in Iowa July 2, 1895



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Mayor "Bill" Suppe Has Had Wide Experience in City Hall Affairs

In the matter of service to our city William F. Suppe, mayor of Manhattan Beach, occupies an enviable position among city officials of Los Angeles County. It is generally understood that councilmanic duties in small cities are a matter of public service and in that sense Bill Suppe outranks them all.

Yet his viewpoint is so progressive, and he is physically so full of vim, that one would hesitate to list Manhattan Beach's dynamic mayor as an "elder statesman", even though he is well entitled to the honor.

"I guess public service agrees with me," declared the Mayor not long ago. "At any rate I like it."

Suppe's friends—and there is no better known man in the entire South Bay—are proud of the fact that since 1934 he has been continuously chosen to occupy his councilmanic seat; they are equally proud of the fact that long time service has never altered the mayor's determination to make Manhattan Beach one of the most outstanding and best run home cities in Southern California—in spite of the mistakes made when the city was first laid out and the pressures which can be attributed to its present rapid growth.

In other words, to the public, this Mayor is still the "same old Bill"; wiser, well-seasoned and full of the know-how in city government which can only be attained by experience.

Bill Suppe was born in the "Show Me" State and came to Southern California from Moberly, Missouri. His father died when he was about ten, however his mother still lives and resides in West Los Angeles.

Built an Airplane in 1910

Of an adventurous nature, Mayor Bill was so exhilarated by viewing Los Angeles' first airplane meet, which was held on the old Dominguez Ranch in 1910, that he and his brother Harry proceeded to build a pusher-type biplane and then towed it to a great open space which is now the busy traffic and business center at Slauson and Crenshaw Boulevards.

"We got it off the ground," says Mayor Bill with a reminiscent grin. "We would crack up, repair and go again."

Aviation was an expensive luxury in those days and with the "horseless carriage" then in the ascendancy the mayor and his brother turned to the automobile. In 1914 in a Chalmers car they drove from Los Angeles to New York; a real undertaking in those days—wore out eleven tires. When World War I came along Suppe returned to aviation and was with the Air Corps.

Mayor Suppe came to Manhattan Beach in 1929 when it was a mere village, built his home, and lives with his charming wife, Nell, at 2719 Manhattan Avenue.

In all the Mayor had 35 years of business experience in California with the Owl Drug Company, the Chevrolet Motor Company and with his brother Harry as partner, both in the petroleum

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Mayor Suppe

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and automobile businesses, retiring some years ago.
Member of American Legion

He is an active member of the American Legion, Manhattan Beach and Associated Chambers of Commerce; Red Cross and other civic groups and clubs as well as several fraternal organizations.

During World War II, like thousands of other vets from the first war, Mayor Bill was turned down for active service. But he was determined to help out in some way in the war effort and after looking the field over to see where his mechanical experience would fit in best he joined up as a machinist with the Consolidated ship yards.

In those perilous days the mayor also served on the Selective Service Board, the Auxiliary Fire Department and the USO.

Retired now from active business the mayor devotes the greater share of his time to the study and programming of civic and municipal affairs.

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Postwar Boom Brings Council New Problems

★ ★ ★ CURTAIN RISES ON CITY COUNCIL SESSION

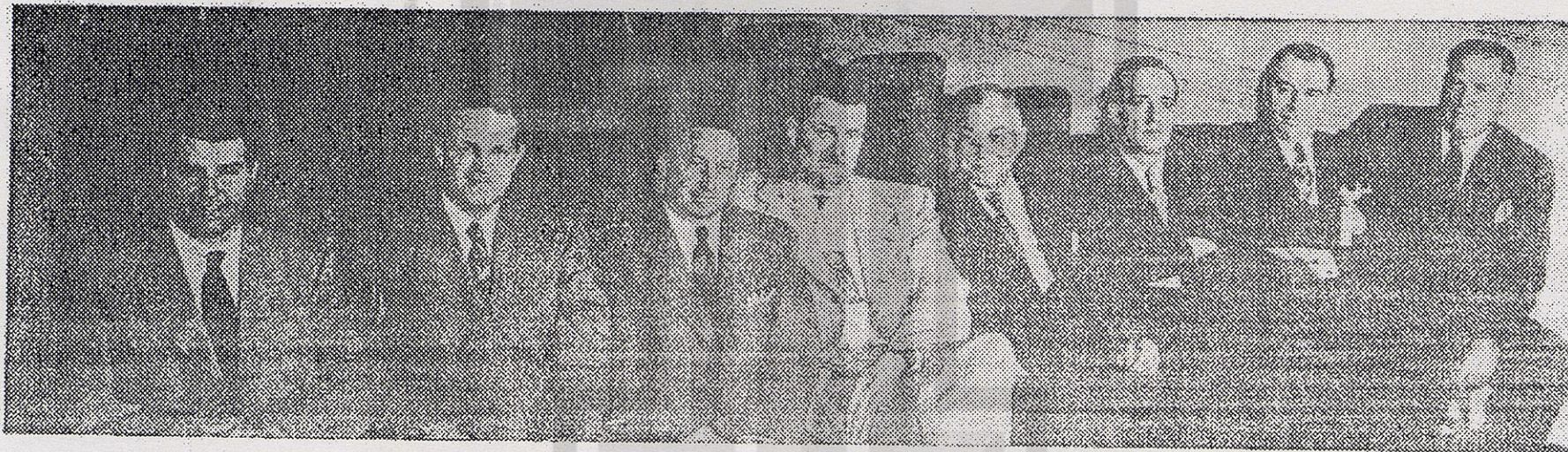


Reading from left to right: City Clerk, Mrs. Harriet E. Sitherwood; Del Lyman; Manager Clifford G. Pafrie; Charles Perry Walker, City Attorney; Clyde Wood-
Mrs. Alvina Sawyer, Clerk; Carwin Eberling; Mayor William F. Suppe; City worth; Wayne Brown.

Mayor "Bill" Suppe Has Had Wide Ex-Football Star **Brown is** Cal-Tech Degree

Five Men Outline Overall Policy for City

★ ★ ★ INFORMAL SHOT OF EIGHT CITY OFFICIALS



Reading from Left to Right: Clifford G. Petrie, City Manager; D. Clifford Higgins, Judge of City Court; Councilman Charles Perry Walker; Councilman Dell M. Lyman; Mayor William F. Suppe; Councilman W. Wayne Brown; City Attorney, Clyde Woodworth; Councilman Corwin Eberting.

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MAYOR SUPPE

Services Held For Bill Suppe

Manhattan Beach Mayor William F. "Bill" Suppe, 78, a candidate to succeed himself as a councilman in last Tuesday's election, died of cancer in a Torrance hospital Friday night. Funeral services were held for the city's best known and beloved civic leader Tuesday at 2 p.m. in Manhattan Beach Community Church.

Conducting a brief service was the Rev. Burley Howe, associate pastor of the church, whose eulogy was followed by burial rites conducted by the Sunset Masonic Lodge of Los Angeles of which he was a member.

Mr. Suppe, who had been a councilman longer than anyone else had served on that body since 1934 except for a 4-year period from 1954-58. He retired from business many years ago and devoted his entire time to civic affairs.

He had not been in good health since last summer and had been grief-stricken last summer when his close friend and co-worker for many years, Councilman Charles Perry Walker died. Last May he started his fourth one-year term as mayor.

An example of his complete devotion to his duties is the fact that he presided over a City Council meeting Tuesday night before entering the hospital the next day.

Mayor Suppe had a talent for public relations and a gift for making friends with all in whom he came in contact. He was loyal to the extreme to the three South Bay cities, with his own city coming first. When the Times published an article on the decline of this area describing non-existent conditions in Manhattan Beach and labeling pictures taken elsewhere as being in his city, he wrote a carefully detailed letter to the editor explaining that his city is indeed progressive and that the article was quite misleading.

He was a member of the Early Birds, a group of men who had made solo plane flights before Dec. 17, 1916. His name and that of his brother Harry are on an Early Bird Membership roll on a plaque in the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D. C.

The Suppe brothers built a Curtiss Pusher airplane in their garage and when it was finished towed it behind their Cadillac to the Crenshaw area. After several mishaps, they got it to fly in the summer of 1912.

During World War I, Mr. Suppe served in the Air Service.

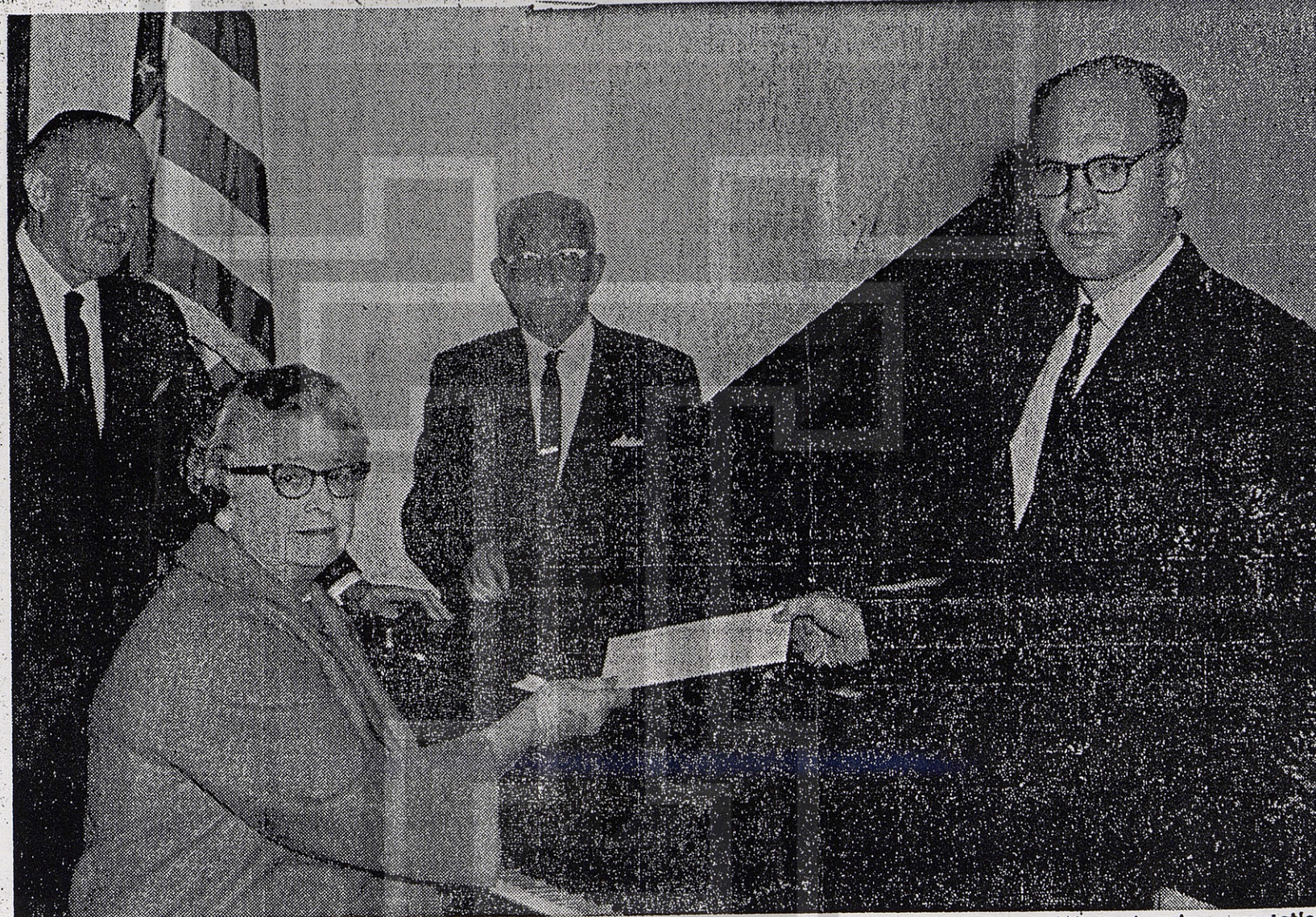
He had been active in a long list of civic activities. He served on the Selective Service Board. He was chairman of fund drives for the Red Cross, March of Dimes, American Cancer Society, Heart Fund and other charity drives.

Mayor Suppe was a member of the Masons, the Al-Malaikah Shrine, the South Bay Shrine Club, the Redondo Beach Elks

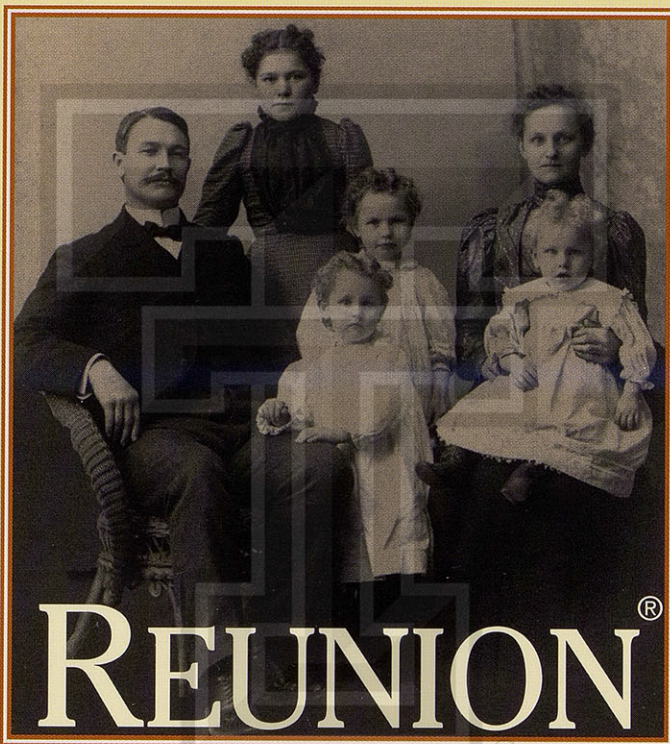
Lodge, the Manhattan Beach Moose Lodge, the Salvation Army Advisory Board, the American Field Service, Manhattan Beach Chamber of Commerce, the Coordinating Council, Property Owners Association, Southland Water Commission, Inter-City Highway Committee, Veterans of World War I and the South Bay post of the American Legion.

He is survived by his wife, Nell and his brother, Harry. The Suppes have lived in Manhattan Beach since 1930.

Funeral services were followed by private interment at Forrest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, with White and Day Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Manhattan Beach, in charge.



MRS. WILLIAM F. SUPPE is shown presenting a Bill of Sale for a baby-grand piano to R. K. Fleagle, Administrative Assistant, City of Manhattan Beach. The piano was donated to the City for use in the Joslyn Community Center. Witnessing the presentation is John Shaw, Recreation Department Superintendent and Mayor William "Bill" Suppe.



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