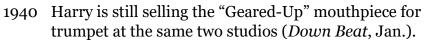
Harry Berken

New York City

- 1890 Harry Berken is born in Minsk, Russia on April 10 (Naturalization form).
- 1904 Harry emigrates to NYC with his family (nat.)
- 1910 Harry is a musician with his own band (census).
- 1917 Harry is a musician at Proctor's Theatre in NY (draft).
- 1921 Harry registers with the musician's local in Lynn, MA.
- 1925 Photo 1 is Harry playing in Salem, MA.
- 1930 Harry and his mother Rachel are both musicians (census).
- 1939 Harry has studios in New York City at 11 West 48th and in Brooklyn at 1716 West 2nd St. He is selling his "Geared-Up" mouthpieces. (*Down Beat*, Oct. and Dec. ad below).













1947 The Berken studios are now located at 113 W. 48th in New York and 1014 Flatbush Ave in Brooklyn (*Down Beat*, October ad below). There is no mention of his mouthpieces at this time.



1974 Harry dies on October 18, and is listed as a retired trumpet teacher and musician. He had played in orchestras for twenty musicals and had been on the staff of radio orchestras. His home was at 869 Herman Ave in Franklin Square, LI (*NY Times*, Oct. 20).