

The Business

Heinrich Dottenheimer opens a spirits store on Nürnberger Straße 10 in 1883.



**Nürnberger Straße at the turn of the century
The second house on the right is number 10**

This house is in possession of Leonard Asyl, a relative of his wife, Ida. Business seems to be going along well, because the family decides to build a house for home and store, on the lot of Burgstallstraße 1, around the turn of the century.



Wine store Dottenheimer, first house on the right

This sign was on the door of the house. Today it is still in possession of the owner. Surely this was a reference to the lower Franconia wine production region, Würzburg.



As it appears, the young family becomes wealthy in the next few years. The house on Burgstallstraße, in the shade of the city tower, becomes a popular address in Gunzenhausen. In 1906 an addition is made. The barn is elongated and a wine cellar is built.



In 1912 senior boss Heinrich hands the business down to his son Sigmund. He runs the store successfully with his sister, Frieda and her husband, Max Strauß.

This family is one of the first in Gunzenhausen to own an automobile with a chauffeur.



Frieda Dottenheimer with sons Fredi, Werner and Kurt (from the right)