S. Blumenthal, **Former City** Alderman, Dies

Samuel Blumenthal, 81, who served as interpreter at the meeting here in 1909 of Presidents Taft of the United States, and Diaz of Mexico, died Thursday in the home of his son, Maurice Blumenthal, in Los Angeles.

A pioneer settler, Mr. Blumenthal started a Juarez-mergantile business nearly 60 years ago. He was born in Germany and came to the U. S. when he was 16. He had been living with Mr. and Mrs. Ben' Levy, 932 McKelligon Avenue, for the past 15 years. His wife died

For six years, in the Sweeney, Robinson and Kelly administrations, Blumenthal served as El Paso city alderman. His last political ef-

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fort was in 1937 when he was defeated for city treasurer.

He had been active in Mexican mining for several years and traveled through the country as a saleman. For five years he has been associated with Union Clothing Co., and had been active in the business until last June, when he left to visit a daughter, Mrs. Stewart Greenberg of San Francisco.

In 1900 Blumenthal opened general merchandise store on San Antonio Street, next to the State National Bank. He became a civic leader in El Paso, sponsoring a number of welfare organizations and movements. He was a Mason and member of Temple Mount Sinai.

Other survivors are a brother, Adolph, El Paso; and three grand-children. Stewart Greenberg, Jr., Peggy Ann Blumenthal and Robert, Blumenthal

Funeral services will be 'ld at 2:30 p. m. Sunday in Hagedon-Harding Mortuary, with Rabbi Wendell A. Phillips officiating. Burial will be in Mount Sinai cemetery.

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