

Wade family

WILL L. WADE, born in Hendricks County, Indiana, in 1841, was, in his younger days, a school teacher-principal of graded schools for a time. He read medicine in Effingham, Illinois, attended the medical department of Butler University, and graduated there in 1879; emigrated to Oregon in the spring of 1875, practiced there until he returned East in 1879 for the purpose of completing his medical course; then came again to Oregon and practiced there altogether nearly thirteen years; six years of this time he was medical officer of the Oregon Penitentiary. In the spring of 1887 he came to Los Angeles to recover his health, which he had lost by overwork and exposure. In Oregon he was president of the State Medical Society, and is now lecturer on materia medica in the medical department of the University of Southern California.

An Illustrated History of Los Angeles County, California... (Chicago: Lewis Publishing Co., 1889) p. 233.

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 to date; pres. So. Cal. Assn. Dunkard.

ARK, John Franklin. Res. St. Cathryn apts.; V. Hellman Bldg., Los Angeles. Born in Fort Wayne, Ind., Nov. 6, 1876; son of Abbie D. Doty in public schools of Fort Wayne, Ind., 1902-07; letter carrier in Fort Wayne, Ind., 1902-07; proprietor of restaurant, Gary, Ind., 1902-07; moved to Los Angeles as special agent for Life Ins. Co., for one year; secy. and mgr. Pat. Secy. Served two years in U. S. Army, G. I.; five months in Ind. Battery, Light Infantry, discharged. Member of Sands Club, Gary, Ind.; Commercial Club; Masonic Club; Christian Science.

Clark, Merchant. Res. 60 E. Pasadena, Cal. Born in Pasadena, Cal., Nov. 15, 1856; son of (Clark) Vroman. Married to H. G. Grist in 1906. Received his education in Ill. public schools; employed by C. B. & Q. Co., moved to Pasadena in 1904; book, stationery and printing business, 1894 to date; member of O. Rogers & Co.

Clark, Louis. Retired. Res. Los Angeles. Born in Los Angeles, Ia., May 4, 1873; son of W. W. and Mary W. Married to Effa W. Received his education in public schools; graduated from New Hampton, N. H., as drug clerk in 1894; later in Chicago; member of the First National Bank and asst. cashier; Forest Bank, now dir. same; member of City, Ia., seven years; county clerk, and national member San Gabriel Club; Los Angeles Democrat. Con-

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many, May 8, 1859; son of Henry and Martha Elizabeth (Trau) Wackerbarth. Married to Lottie Adams in 1887. Attended technical schools of Holzminden; Brunswick Polytechnic Institute at Langensalza, Province of Saxony, graduating 1876; traveled extensively after completion of his education and moved to New York July, 1878; practiced his profession in Independence, Ia., and in Chicago, Ill.; moved to Los Angeles, Cal., in 1882 and established a practice. Treas. and one of the founders of the So. Cal. Chapter of Am. Inst. of Archts. Member Masonic fraternity; Knights Templar; Engrs. and Archts. Assn.; Pioneer Soc. of Los Angeles Co.; Natl. Geographic Soc. of U. S. A.

WADDELL, Albert Gill. Dir. athletics and physical training, San Diego Army and Navy Acad., San Diego, Cal. Res. Army and Navy Academy, San Diego, Cal.; office, same. Born in Leipzig, O., April 13, 1888; son of Rev. Hugh Clarkson and Ada Van Pelt (Farrow) Waddell. Attended public schools of San Francisco, Oakland and Los Angeles, Cal.; Los Angeles Military Acad., Los Angeles, Cal.; Univ. of So. Cal., Los Angeles, Cal. Enlisted in Co. "A," Seventh Inf., Natl. Guard of Cal., Aug., 1904; continuous service to date. Employed in Central Bank of Los Angeles, 1904-07; with U. S. Reclamation Service, and worked on Salt river project in Ariz. under engr. Hill and Demerick; worked for J. M. O'Rourke & Co. on Roosevelt Dam; returned to Los Angeles, 1909, and entered professional athletic work; military instructor Urban Military Acad., 1910-12; on sporting staff of Los Angeles Times, 1912-13; resigned to take up work as director of physical education at San Diego Army and Navy Acad., San Diego, Cal. Member Los Angeles Athletic Club; Bankers' Club; Photoplayers of Los Angeles; Xopeia Club. Presbyterian.

WADE, Charles James. Secy. State Mutual Building & Loan Assn. Res., cor. De Longpre ave., and Morning-side Court, Hollywood, Cal.; office, 223 S. Spring st., Los Angeles, Cal. Born in (Suffolk County) England, Jan. 10, 1854; son of Mark Edward and Louisa Anne (Nazer) Wade. Married to Mary Elizabeth Howard in 1876. Attended Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Ipswich, England, 1865-69. Studied law in Canada, 1870-71; bookkeeper, Sanderson Foster & Co., Boston, 1872-76; bookkeeper New England News Co., Boston, 1877-82; credit man and bookkeeper for U. S.

Wind Mill & Pump Co., Kansas City, 1882-89; moved to Cal., and purchased fruit ranch in Hermosa Colony, Cucamonga, 1889; employed as solicitor for State Mutual Building & Loan Assn., Los Angeles, 1891; appointed assn. secy., 1892; elected secy. of that assn., 1894. Secy. Simi Oil Co.; vice-pres. Arondo Gold Mfg. Co.; treas. St. Stephens Church, Hollywood, Cal. Member San Gabriel Valley Country Club.

WADE, Robert David. Manufacturer. Res. 811 Lake st.; office 430 S. Broadway, Los Angeles, Cal. Born in Stilesville, Ind., Sept. 14, 1848; son of Dr. David and Emily (Jessup) Wade. Married to Carrie B. Read in 1879. Attended public schools; Howe's Acad., Mt. Pleasant, Ia., two years; Northwestern Christian Univ., Indianapolis, Ind., two years. Taught school 1869-74. Moved to Cal., 1874; engaged in mining quicksilver in San Luis Obispo Co., Cal., 1876-77; moved to Los Angeles, Cal., 1878, and engaged in mercantile business; organized So. Cal. Fish Company, 1892; company began canning Blue Sea Tuna fish, 1908; engaged in production of olive oil and canning fish, 1892 to date. Pres. So. Cal. Fish Co., Althus Land Co., Prudential Investment Co., Ojai Oil Co., Bumiller Bldg. Co., Santa Maria Crude Oil Co., Lake View Annex Oil Co.; secy. Leasehold Co. Member Los Angeles City Board of Education 1882-84; city tax collector, 1892-94; county recorder, 1898-1902. Reorganized Union League Club, 1898, pres. of same two terms. Dir. Gamut Club.

WADSWORTH, Orton L. Real estate. Res., 3735 Palm st.; office, 945 Sixth st., San Diego, Cal. Born in Indianapolis, Ind., May 20, 1883; son of Frank O., and Minnie (Hoadley) Wadsworth. Received public school education; attended high school at San Diego, Cal., 1903. Engaged in real estate brokerage 1907 to date. Member Cabrillo Club; Uncle Sam Republican League; Chamber of Commerce. Methodist.

WAGNER, James R. H. Real estate. Res. Loomis and 25th sts., Santa Monica; office 631 S. Spring st., Los Angeles, Cal. Born in Detroit, Mich., Sept. 22, 1870; son of Robert and Mary Leicester (Hornbrook) Wagner. Married to Mabel Monahan in 1894. Educated in schools of Detroit. Employed as messenger in the American Exchange Natl. Bank, Detroit, 1885-87; teller and

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Los Angeles who is a young man of fine character and ability, historic and enlisted as a member of Captain Steers' Battery lay on their D, Heavy Artillery, California State Volunteers, to encamp and fought in the Spanish-American war in the terrible event the Philippines. While at Manila he collected two hundred and fifty photographs and views of that famous place.

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ROBERT D. WADE, county recorder of Los Angeles county, is a representative of an old and honored family of Indiana, whose members bore an active part in the progress of that state during the early period of its history. His father, Hon. David Wade, M. D., son of Daniel Wade, was born in Winchester, Va., and received excellent advantages, graduating from Jefferson Medical College. Settling in Hendricks county, Ind., he built up a large practice. In 1846-1848 and 1850 he was elected to represent his district in the legislature, and during the three terms of his incumbency he proved himself an efficient lawmaker and legislator. He died in 1853, leaving two sons, one of whom, Dr. William L. Wade, is a prominent physician of Los Angeles county. Dr. David Wade married Emily Jessup, who was a member of a Quaker family that settled in North Carolina during colonial days, thence removed to Indiana. Her father, Levi Jessup, was the first county clerk of Hendricks county, Ind., and was expelled from the Friends' Church on account of holding office. Afterward he removed to Mount Pleasant, Iowa, and in 1852 was elected from that district to the Iowa legislature.

In Hendricks county, Ind., where he was born Elizabeth September 14, 1848, Robert D. Wade spent his father, H. early days, receiving his primary education in engaged local public schools. His education was completed in the North-western Christian (now Butler) eyard in University, an institution conducted under the Mr. and auspices of the Christian Church. However, for C.; Cor- some time before completing his education he Los An- had been making his own way in the world. At th their only son, fourteen he started out for himself, his first work

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being as clerk in a store at Wadesville, Va., a town named in honor of his ancestors. In 1869 he returned to Indiana and for some years engaged in teaching school. The year 1874 found him in California, where he mined in San Luis Obispo county, later in Nevada county. In 1878 he came to Los Angeles, where he engaged in the mercantile business. His connection with public and educational affairs in this city dates from 1884, when he was chosen to serve on the board of education. In 1892 he was elected city tax collector, an office that he filled for two years. Later he was chief deputy county tax collector for four years. Since the fall of 1898 he has been county recorder, and in this position, as in all others, he has proved himself to be reliable, honorable, efficient and forceful. To these various offices he has been elected on the Republican ticket, for he is as staunch in his adherence to this party as his father and grandfather were to the Whig party. He is now president of the Union League of Los Angeles. Fraternally he is connected with the Masons, the Knights of Honor and the Order of Maccabees.

The marriage of Mr. Wade took place in 1879 and united him with Miss Carrie B. Reed, a native of Massachusetts. They are the parents of one daughter, Annie Louisa.

WILLIAM S. DEVAN. To this sunny southland have come hosts of the wealthy and cultured from all parts of the Union, and thus the society of Los Angeles includes many citizens who have made their mark in the world and who have been powers in their own community. Among the present residents of this beautiful city is W. S. DeVan, who for nearly a quarter of a century was accounted one of the most energetic business men of New Orleans, and whose financial interests in the Crescent City still are extremely large. He is a fine type of the progressive element of the "new south," and is a thorough optimist in regard to the future of that wonderful, and, as yet, practically undeveloped section of the Union.

He is a native of Moulton, Ala., and there spent the happy days of his boyhood. He was early bereft of his father, and from his youth has been dependent upon his own resources. For

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CHARLES BLUETT. Two formative periods of their history met in the commercial activities of the mind of the late William Charles Bluett of Dublin, Ireland, but from the day of his arrival in the United States. Apprehensive of the future, he turned his steps into a line of business in which he had a natural aptitude. He was given to the management of clothing establishments, and his efficient and sagacious oversight developed into enterprises of great importance. As an illustration of the energy and power of character that characterized him in every phase of his life, it may be stated that after the fire, in which he lost everything, he succumbing to despair as did most men in such enterprises, he hastened to order a new and large stock and the prompt shipment of the order enabled him to open up the first store after the fire. More than ten years afterward he was a successful clothing merchant in Chicago, but the social and economic attractions of the west drew him to the Pacific coast, where he remained from 1883 until the day of his death, October 26, 1906. Mean-while he attained a conspicuous prominence in the business and influential membership of the Chamber of Commerce.

From the arrival of Mr. Bluett in Los Angeles, a city numbered but a few years in existence and was largely a frontier type of citizenship. He saw its possibilities for development as a center of commerce and industry and identified himself with its interests. Thereafter, in the depression as in seasons of prosperity, he remained the same optimistic and efficient citizen, his energy and industry manifesting an un-erring confidence in the future prosperity of the city. He was a member in the California Club, the Chamber of Commerce and in various other organizations or enterprises of importance. Mr. Bluett was united in marriage to Elizabeth Mulvey, and their daughter, Alice M., has since their

demise continued to make her home in the city with which the family name is inseparably associated. From 1883 to 1885 Mr. Bluett as senior partner of the firm of Bluett, Daly & Sullivan, conducted a clothing business in the Nadeau Hotel Block, and in the latter year, when the business was removed to the corner of First and Spring streets, the firm name became Bluett & Sullivan. In 1889 Mullen & Bluett entered upon its long and successful career, figuring conspicuously in the business history of Los Angeles. More recent headquarters are now maintained in one of the most substantial and modern blocks on Broadway. Mr. Bluett had retired from the firm in March, 1905.

ROBERT DAVID WADE. The west spelled opportunity in the destiny of Robert David Wade to a degree so exceptional that to mention his name is to revive memories of his intimate identification with great and growing enterprises, some of which owed their inception to his optimistic foresight, while others were fostered into profitable fruition through his ability and executive leadership. Qualities so remarkable as to win prestige and prominence in a progressive community were his possessions, partly through inheritance from a line of cultured Virginian ancestors and in part through individual development of his native endowments. Environment also contributed as a large element in his interesting career, while a liberal education, the result of his own determined efforts, broadened the viewpoint of his mental vision and prepared him to grasp the opportunities of California during an intimate identification of more than three decades with its public affairs and commercial enterprises. The influence of his dominant personality was not narrowed into one groove of activity, yet became so pronounced in the oil industry that, considering the number and value of the properties in which he held stock, he was entitled to rank among the foremost men in the history of western oil development.

That substantial intellectual qualities came to Mr. Wade as a family heritage is indicated by the fact that his only brother, William L. Wade,

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M. D., became a prominent physician of Los Angeles county, while their father, Hon. David Wade, M. D., a graduate of Jefferson Medical College, not only rose to professional success in Hendricks county, Ind., but also was highly honored in election to the Indiana state legislature for the sessions of 1846, 1848 and 1850, and, had it not been for his untimely death in 1853, undoubtedly would have risen to greater eminence as a statesman and patriot. Of Virginian family, born near Winchester, that state, into the home of Daniel Wade, he had married into a Quaker family that settled in North Carolina during the colonial era. His wife, Emily, was a daughter of Hon. Levi Jessup, the first county clerk of Hendricks county, Ind., who was expelled from the Society of Friends on account of having accepted office, forbidden by their church rules. In an early day he became a pioneer of Mount Pleasant, Iowa, where in 1852 his talents received recognition in election to the state legislature. The blood of the austere but gentle Quaker mingled with that of the courtly old Virginia cavalier in producing Robert David Wade, who was born in Stilesville, Hendricks county, Ind., September 14, 1848, and passed away at Los Angeles September 9, 1913. Sixty-five useful and honored years were encompassed within the earthly boundaries of his activity. Indication of coming usefulness appeared in the self-reliant spirit with which he began to clerk at only fourteen years of age, this employment being had at Wadesville, Va., a village named in honor of his ancestors. An education begun in public schools, continued in Howe's academy at Mount Pleasant, Iowa, and completed in the Northwestern Christian (now Butler) University in the suburbs of Indianapolis, Ind., enabled him to teach school with considerable success, but this work he regarded merely as a foundation for larger efforts in commercial enterprises.

Determination to remove to California proved the pivotal point in the career of Mr. Wade, although the earlier period of his identification with the west gave little indication of the large interests of later associations. Having engaged in mining quicksilver in San Luis Obispo county in 1876-77 and following similar pursuits in Nevada county, he thence came to Los Angeles in 1878 and embarked in the mercantile business. From that time he had a career of growing public

service and private business success. The Los Angeles Board of Education had the benefit of his intelligent co-operation as one of its members in 1882-84, and the city received exceptional capable service from him in the capacity of collector during 1892-94, while as county recorder he proved equally efficient in a term lasting from 1898 to 1902. To these offices he was elected on the Republican ticket, for he was as staunchly adhering to that party as his father and grandfather had been in advocating old-line Whig principles.

With A. P. Halfhill of Los Angeles as a partner, in 1892 Mr. Wade organized a company for the purpose of canning sardines and located a plant on Terminal Island, now known as Ensenada San Pedro, their main packing house commanding an unobstructed view for miles in every direction. Industrial development had not yet begun and their house was the first to embark in business at the location, now the center of many similar enterprises. At that time Long Beach, plainly visible on the south, was a mere village, while to the east could be seen the old town of Wilmington with its three hundred inhabitants and to the west rose Dead Man's Island, made famous by Dana in his "Two Years Before the Mast." With the development of all the surrounding country there has been a simultaneous development of the enterprises established by Mr. Wade continued to be the president until his death and which, in addition to canning other varieties of fish and manufacturing olive oil, made its national reputation principally through the manufacture and sale of the Blue Sea brand of canned tuna fish. In the early years of the history of the company five hundred cases of sardines were counted a large pack, where now ten thousand cases of Blue Sea tuna and sardines find their way into the world's markets, trucked in freight cars for shipments to cities or loaded on the great iron steamers that fly the flags of our nation. Since the company commenced to manufacture the Blue Sea brand of tuna in 1908 it leaped into worldwide popularity and gained prestige almost unparalleled, but resulting directly from the fine quality of the fish and the scientific skill maintained in the entire process of canning. Important as were his commercial and manufacturing enterprises, it was principally through

real estate and oil investments that Mr. Wade attained great wealth, and in the last few years of his eventful career his interests were confined largely to the oil industry, in which he was prominent as an organizer and officer in the Oceanic, Rice Ranch, Lake View, Lake View Annex and Ojai Oil Companies, being for some years the president of both the Rice Ranch and the Ojai Oil Companies. An indication of his faith in Los Angeles appears in the fact that he erected and owned the Auditorium hotel on Fifth street besides having many other holdings in the city. Other interests of his latter years included the presidency of the Althus Land Company, the Prudential Investment Company, Brumiller Building Company, Santa Maria Crude Oil Company and the Leasehold Company, while a short time previous to his death he gave to Los Angeles the most expert and efficient service as a member of the city water board, being a promoter of the great plans for securing to the entire community an inexhaustible supply of the purest of water. Besides being a director of the Gamut Club his services in effecting the reorganization of the Union League Club and his efficient leadership as president for two terms made him at the time without question the most influential and popular of its members. Fraternaly he was connected with the Masons, Maccabees and Knights of Honor. In 1879 he married Miss Carrie B. Reed, who was born in Massachusetts and died in Los Angeles in 1909, leaving an only child, Annie Louisa, now the wife of W. V. Ambrose. A subsequent marriage united him with Louise A. Conable, who with their son, Robert David, Jr., survives him and maintains the family home in Los Angeles.

PATRICK HANNON. Well remembered among the early pioneers of Los Angeles is Patrick Hannon, who crossed the plains in a "prairie schooner" in 1869, and from then until the time of his death continued to make his home in this city. For nearly thirty years Mr. Hannon has "slept with his fathers," his death having occurred October 29, 1885, but his name and memory have been kept bright by his family, his wife and children still making their home in Los Angeles, where they are well and favorably known.

Mr. Hannon was a native of Ireland, having been born in County Kerry in March, 1848, and he received his education in the private and parochial schools of his native county. When he was little more than a lad he heard the call of the lands across the sea and when he was seventeen he answered. For a few years he followed the trade of carpenter in various eastern cities, and then (in 1869) he came west, locating immediately in Los Angeles, where he continued to reside thereafter, engaged in the contracting and building business until the time of his death. He always had the greatest faith in the future of the city, and from time to time he purchased real estate, choosing land that then seemed far out in the country, but which is now well within the city limits, and one plat, a farm of twenty-three acres, is now in the heart of the manufacturing district. A part of this tract is still in the possession of his heirs, and is of very great value.

Mr. Hannon was always a devout member of the Roman Catholic church, attending St. Vibiana's Cathedral, and in his political affiliations he was a Democrat. At all times he gave his support to the best interests of the community, advocating progress and civic betterment along sane and practical lines.

The marriage of Mr. Hannon and Miss Catherine Harnett, the daughter of Patrick and Johanna Harnett, was solemnized in Los Angeles, June 8, 1874. The bride, like her husband, was a native of Ireland, coming to the United States in 1866, and for a time lived in St. Louis, Mo., coming to Los Angeles in 1870. She is the sister of Mgr. Harnett, vicar of the diocese of Los Angeles and Monterey, and one of the best known of the Catholic clergy in the southwest. Mrs. Hannon bore her husband eight children, of whom four daughters and two sons are now living and well known in Los Angeles, two sons having died in infancy. Those living are: William, who married Miss Eugenia Brodrick; Henry F.; Mary, the wife of James Keily; Catherine, the wife of Thomas Daly; Johanna, the wife of Henry Van Dorn; and Margaret, the wife of Peter J. Bruttig. Since the death of her husband Mrs. Hannon has continued to make her home in Los Angeles, where so many years of her life have been spent, and where she is near her children and her many friends. She is a devout member of the Roman Catholic church and a worker in its societies and organizations.