

Mo., are the company's eastern agents. In addition to the manufacture of the Fulton deep-well pump the company also manufacture valves and pipes for irrigation purposes, and installs them in orchards and on alfalfa ranches. Three-fourths of the pumps used in Pomona Valley are supplied by this company, and Pomona is justly proud of this large and important industry. Mr. Fulton owns a finely improved six-acre ranch located just west of Ganesha Park and called Los Solana Rancho. This property was unimproved when he purchased it, and is planted to lemons, oranges and avocados.

Mr. Fulton's marriage united him with Miss Fannie L. Chase, a native of New York state. In his religious associations he is a member of the Congregational Church at Pomona, and fraternally affiliates with the Knights of Pythias.

THOMAS E. GORE

A citrus grower who was some time in finding the field of operation for which he was best fitted, but who finally came to his present activity equipped with an enviable experience, is Thomas E. Gore, who was born on a farm in Mason County, Ill., on November 26, 1849, the son of Edwin Gore, born in Maryland, a farmer of wide repute in Illinois. He married Miss Jane Thompson, a native of Ireland, the daughter of Alexander M. and Jane Thompson, by whom he had nine children, among whom Thomas is the fourth in the order of birth.

Having been given the advantages of the rural schools and Jacksonville High and Lincoln University, Mr. Gore went in for telegraphy, and for six years was with the Western Union in Chicago and St. Louis. Then he entered the employ of the construction department of the Santa Fe in New Mexico, after which he returned to Illinois.

While in Menard County, that state, Mr. Gore was married to Phoebe Ann Pratt, a native of Mason County, and the daughter of George and Sarah Pratt, following which he took up farming in Johnson County, Nebr., and continued in that line and locality for four years.

Returning to railroad work, he came to San Dimas, Cal., in 1887 and opened the railway station for Santa Fe. He liked the neighborhood so well that he remained five and a half years as the company's representative, and in the meantime he bought and improved his ranch. When the Southern Pacific came through and opened a station, he was their first agent and continued for twelve years. Switching off again, he retired to his ranch and made a success doubly sure of citrus growing. His ranch is located one mile southwest of San Dimas and embraces twelve acres of oranges and lemons. He is a member of both orange and lemon associations. All these years he has resided with his family in San Dimas.

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Four children and six grandchildren have given joy to Mr. and Mrs. Gore. Martha has become Mrs. J. W. Hough of Claremont; David is with his father; John E. is an educator and is principal of the high school at Orland; and Grace is at home. The family attend the Methodist Episcopal Church in San Dimas. In national politics Mr. Gore is a Republican, while his interest in civic advancement is displayed through his activity in school board work.

BERTRAM W. GIBSON

Among the enterprising business men of Pomona, the possibilities of which city have called forth the most creditable ambitions of men who are destined to make their way in the commercial world, Bertram W. Gibson has met with a success which speaks well for his far-sighted business acumen and conservative judgment. A Canadian by birth, he was born in Toronto, Ontario, May 18, 1888. On finishing the public schools he took a high school course and also a first and second grade collegiate course in Toronto. On finishing his education his first business experience was in the freight office of the Grand Trunk Railway at Toronto, where he served as clerk for five years. He next engaged in the men's furnishing business with his brother-in-law.

In the fall of 1915 Mr. Gibson located in Pomona, where his sister had preceded him by a few years, and here he learned the trade of vulcanizer with Leslie Elliott and was in his employ until he enlisted in the World War. Finding that he was very low on the list to be called on conscription and fearing that he might not be called, he enlisted October 21, 1917, in the Canadian Royal Flying Squadron and was appointed corporal and stationed a great part of the time in training camps near Toronto; he later was detailed to drill and instruct raw recruits in infantry drill, having squads of seventy-five men under him, and thus he served his country, doing the unexciting tasks set for him at home and finding his efforts to be transferred to overseas service of no avail, he did his duty as called upon until his discharge from service, January 16, 1919.

On his return to Pomona, in January, 1919, Mr. Gibson decided to go into business for himself, and on the twentieth of that same month he opened his vulcanizing shop and auto accessories supplies at Third and Thomas streets, and in the first ten months he doubled his business, a rapid advance even for these rapid times. He is district agent for the Racine tires, his territory embracing the Pomona Valley, and also carries a full line of Goodrich tires and of automobile accessories.

Mr. Gibson takes an active part in both the business and social life of the community, and in fraternal circles he is a member of the Masons, both in Toronto and in Pomona, belonging to the chapter