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George F. Siddel

One of the longest established public accountants in Pomona and a man who has an enviable reputation in his profession is George F. Siddel, who has maintained offices in the Progress-Bulletin Building for the past decade.

He was born abroad on March 9, 1909, and came to this country as a youth, receiving his elementary and high school education in Chicago, where he also attended Crane Junior College. Having had an early desire to enter the accountancy field, while working as a bookkeeper in Chicago, Mr. Siddel attended the Walton School of Commerce, where he received the degree of B.S.A. in 1933.

Coming to California in 1935, and locating in Pomona at that time, Mr. Siddel soon became the owner of a successful food store here, and while engaged in this business he continued to review advanced courses in accountancy at U. C. L. A. and also U. S. C. It was in 1940 that he disposed of his market and opened offices for the practice of his profession.

Mr. Siddel numbers among his clients many of the leading individuals of this community as well as a number of the larger business houses, and he has established a reputation of exceptional competence and reliability in his profession.

Local affiliations include the Lions Club (vice president), Elks Lodge and Toastmasters' Club (past president and former deputy governor). He is a former member of the California State Guard.

Mr. Siddel married Miss Matilda Fish in Pomona in August, 1935. Their two children are Patricia and Marvin.

Mr. Siddel's hobby is gardening.

Leslie A. Warren

Leslie A. Warren comes from a family prominently identified with the Pomona Valley and the Glendora area for close to seventy years. He was born in Stockton, California, on February 16, 1883, and is the son of the late Charles C. and Minnie Louisa Warren. His paternal grandparents came to California by the Isthmus of Panama in 1862, and his grandfather, Charles D. Warren, was a druggist in San Francisco in the early days and later moved to Sonoma County, where he passed away. His father came to Pomona in 1883 and engaged in citrus growing here, but subsequently moved to Cucamonga. He was one of the organizers of the first cooperative lemon association in this area, which was in Upland. In 1896, he acquired one hundred and forty acres of property located near Foothill Boulevard at the extreme northwestern part of the Pomona Valley, in the Glendora district. He planted eighty acres of this property to citrus and became active in several organizations, serving as president of the Glendora Consolidated Irrigation Company, a director of the San Gabriel Investment Company, a director of the San Dimas Fruit Exchange and vice-president of the First National Bank of Glendora.

The subject of this sketch first went to school in Pomona, and later attended schools in Cucamonga and in Glendora. He ultimately attended the College of the Pacific when it was located in San Jose.

As a young man, Mr. Warren was associated with his father in the citrus business, and after his father's death he became manager of the partnership known as "The Four Warren Brothers," which included his own holdings and those of his three brothers. Their four hundred acres have now been divided, and since July, 1949, Mr. Warren has devoted his attention to his own hundred acres, part of which is located on the northeast corner of Foothill Boulevard and Amelia Avenue and part on the southwest corner of this same intersection.

Mr. Warren is connected with a number of important organizations. He has been president of the Glendora Citrus Association since 1941, and is vice-president of the San Dimas Orange Growers Association. He is a director of the Glendora Fruit Exchange. He was formerly chairman and is now vice-chairman of the Production Marketing Association of Los Angeles County, and through that organization has rendered valuable service to the Federal Government's soil conservation program. For the past two years he has been president of the Glendora Independent Water Company, having been a director for many years. He is a director and secretary of the San Gabriel River Spreading Corporation. He is also a director of the California Fruit Growers Exchange, and a director of the Growers Pest Control Association of Pomona.

He serves as a trustee of the Community Hospital in Covina. Indicating his interest in local activities of a historical nature, he is president of the Glendora Historical Society, and is a member of the Pomona Valley Historical Society. During the recent war, Mr. Warren was a member of the Los Angeles County Selective Service Appeal Board, which was made up of a limited number of carefully selected members from Los Angeles County.

In 1915 Mr. Warren married Miss Goldie Zumwalt, who was a school teacher for thirty years in California, nineteen years of this time having been spent teaching in Glendora.

Lloyd W. Gilliland, D.D.S.

A distinguished member of the dental profession of Southern California, Dr. Lloyd W. Gilliland is President of the Tri-County Dental Association and an active member of his profession in Pomona since 1947. Widely known for his skill as an oral surgeon, Dr. Gilliland is one of the comparatively few dentists who has mastered this specialized branch of the profession.

Born in Chicago, Illinois, on April 12, 1902, Dr. Gilliland is a son of the late Dr. James L. Gilliland and Jessie M. Gilliland. His father, also a dentist, practiced in Texas and Arizona for many years, and his son received his elementary and secondary education in the western and middle part of Texas. His pre-medical course was taken at Occidental College and completed with the degree of A.B. in 1924, and his professional training followed at the dental school of the University of Southern California.

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