

## LEON ESCALLIER, EARLY IMPORTER-BANKER, DIES

Leon Escallier, 84, of 2266 W 25th St., early Los Angeles importer and banker, died Monday in his native Valsерres, Southern France, relatives here learned yesterday.

Mr. Escallier, who came here in 1883, started his business career with a grocery and wine importing shop on Aliso St., which became a landmark of early Los Angeles. In 1907 he helped found the International Savings & Exchange Bank, which in 1917 was absorbed by the Bank of Italy, of which Mr. Escallier became a vice-president, retiring in 1922.

A close acquaintance of the late Banker Marco Hellman and of such sports world figures of the

day as Jim Jeffries, he made trips every few years to France. An American citizen, he was active in the French colony here. He devoted later years to his San Diego County ranch.

Besides his widow, Mrs. Emma Escallier, with whom he had been vacationing in France since June 12, he leaves a son, Eugene, of Los Angeles, who left for France by air yesterday; and two grandchildren, Genevieve and Lucien, both of Los Angeles.

### Dakotans to Picnic

Former South Dakotans will hold their annual summer picnic at Sycamore Grove on Sunday, Aug. 29. Visiting residents of that State are invited.

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