

FRENCH COLONY HEAD DIES

Ernando Etcheverry Succumbs After Operation in San Francisco Hospital

BAKERSFIELD, Feb. 22. (Exclusive)—Effects of a major operation following a sudden illness today claimed the life of Ernando Etcheverry, 63-year-old Kern landowner and rancher and foremost member of the French colony in the Southern San Joaquin Valley. He died in the French Hospital in San Francisco and word of his death struck a shocking blow into the hearts of his family and friends here today.

His body was brought to a local mortician's chapel where it will lie in state pending funeral arrangements.

Mr. Etcheverry was the only child of Michel and Louisa Etcheverry in the little town of Aldudes, Basses-Pyrenees.

When 16 years of age he left his father's roof to seek his fortune in America. He lived first with two aunts in the Los Banos district, coming to Kern in 1880, where he engaged in the sheep business.

He also was operator of the Pyrenees Hotel on Sumner street for six years and associated in business with the late F. M. Noriega.

Since that time he has devoted himself principally to farming in the Norris district.

He leaves his widow, Mrs. Mathilda Etcheverry, also a native of Aldudes, Basses-Pyrenees; two sons, Pete and Felix Etcheverry of Bakersfield; a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Rosalie Etcheverry; a granddaughter, Marie Jeanne Etcheverry; an aunt, Mrs. Katherine Gastambide of Los Banos; ten cousins in Los Banos, many nephews and nieces in Kern county and the following brothers and sisters-in-law; Mr. and Mrs. Michael Etcheverry, Mr. and Mrs. D. Bord, Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Echenique, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Supera and Mrs. Mariana Etcheverry.

CREMEENS HEADS VAN ASSOCIATION

Angeleno Elected State President at Convention Concluded at Fresno

FRESNO, Feb. 22. (Exclusive)—Harry H. Cremeens of Los Angeles headed the California Van and Storage Association today as approximately fifty members of the organization concluded a four-day convention here.

Cremeens was elected president last night. He succeeds C. A. Buck of Burlingame.

Other officers are Jackson W. Kendall, Pasadena, vice-president southern division; David C. Bole, San Francisco, northern division vice-president; W. P. Lyon, Jr., secretary, and Charles Byron, Los Angeles, executive secretary.

Directors are V. D. Slocum, Van Nuys; Reed J. Bekins, San Francisco; Walter Whipps, Fresno; Harry Burgeson, Los Angeles; Fred Hadden, San Diego, and Buck.

The convention closed with a directors' meeting today.

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