

he joined the Odd Fellows, and is now affiliated with Pomona Lodge No. 246, of which he is past noble grand, and is past chief patriarch of San Antonio Encampment. With his wife he is a member of the Rebekahs, of which she is past noble grand. The Woodmen of the World also claim the membership of Mr. Stout, and in that as in other organizations with which he is associated he is a valued and esteemed member.

CADET YRIBARNE. For nearly twenty years Mr. Yribarne has been a resident of California, and during that time he has been connected with a number of undertakings directly or indirectly connected with agricultural life. In none of them, however, has he been more successful than in the growing of grapes and their later manufacture into wine, his distillery and vineyard, known as the Tisnerat vineyard, being located in Long Beach on Anaheim road and Alamitos avenue.

Mr. Yribarne is a native of France, and was born in Basses-Pyrenees January 1, 1865, the eldest of three children born to his parents, Jean and Madeline Yribarne. As the father died when Cadet was only seven years old, leaving his mother with two children younger than himself, it was not surprising that his school days were limited. However, he applied himself diligently and gained a fair general knowledge in the common schools near his home. Subsequently he took charge of the home farm, which he managed for his mother until he was eighteen years old, when in 1884, he went to Montevideo, South America, working as a farm hand there for two years. The next year he returned to his home in France, but he was not satisfied to remain there after getting a glimpse of the new world, and the following year, 1887, he was among the passengers who embarked from France bound for California by way of Panama. A strong factor in directing his steps towards California was the fact that an uncle, John Ballan, lived in San Pedro, and it was at that seaport that his ship cast anchor. For two years he was in his uncle's employ as assistant to him in the management of his stock business, but later he purchased a drove of sheep and started in business for himself. In 1891 he came to this part of Los Angeles county and rented four thousand acres of the Alamitos Land Company lying east of Long Beach, which he ran as a stock ranch until 1897. Selling out his stock he at once purchased four acres on the corner of Second and Ansel streets, where he made his home and continued ranching for about three years, and

then, in 1900, bought two and a half acres at the corner of Seventh and Temple streets. He still owns a portion of this latter tract, although since 1902 his interests have been centered in the Tisnerat vineyard, which he purchased that year, and which consists of six and seventy one-hundredths acres. On this property he is conducting a very profitable business in the raising of grapes, his brand of wine and brandy having a wide sale on its superior quality, and a reputation that is more than local.

After locating in Long Beach Mr. Yribarne formed domestic ties by his marriage with Miss Mary Cilbete, a native of Spain, but her death in April, 1904, left him alone with two children, John and Marguerite. Mr. Yribarne has shown himself a true American citizen by making a study of the platforms of the two great political bodies, and after weighing the principles of each has decided that the Republican party stands for that which, in his mind, will bring the most good to the greatest number. The only fraternal organization of which he is a member is the Eagles.

MILLARD FILLMORE NEFF. Among the intelligent, wide-awake agriculturists and the energetic and progressive business men of San Diego county, Millard Fillmore Neff, of Fallbrook, occupies an assured position. He is a fine representative of the native-born sons of this state, his birth having occurred January 24, 1860, in Yolo county, where his father, Benjamin W. Neff, was a pioneer settler.

Leaving Maryland, his native state, when a young man, Benjamin W. Neff started westward, and, with a band of emigrants, crossed the plains with ox-teams in 1849. From San Francisco he went directly to Virginia City, Nev., where he worked at his trade of blacksmith at the mines, and was afterward similarly employed in both Yolo and Placer counties. Coming to San Diego county in 1874, he located near the present home of his son, Millard F. Neff, taking up a tract of government land, on which he was engaged in agricultural pursuits until his death, at the age of sixty-four years, in 1882. He married Matilda Copeland, who was born in Ohio, and is now a resident of Florida.

Having received a practical common-school education in Placer county Millard Fillmore Neff came with his parents to Fallbrook township when a boy of fourteen, and assisted in the pioneer labor of improving a ranch from the wild land which his father purchased. After the death of his father he had the management of the home estate until it was sold in 1888. Moving then into the village of Fallbrook he purchased a