
PRODUCTS OF THE CITY'S SCHOOLS

One of Pomona's greatest heritages comes from the contributions made by her citizens during their lifetimes. The city has a unique aura of friendliness and loyalty; it is not like any other town because of those people who lived here. They have worked together, prayed together, played together and stayed together, making it possible for the city to survive the vicissitudes of turmoil and strain brought about by growth and the changes in a modern society. This is well illustrated by observing how many families still live and work in Pomona and the number of citizens who, after growing up in the city, have remained to add their contributions of time, labor and talent to keep Pomona a pleasant place to live. Being faithful to the past and responsible to the present, they help to create a continuing bright future.

In a survey published by the Progress Bulletin on June 29, 1973, it was pointed out that half of the population in the valley is native-born.

To illustrate Pomonans' ties to this town, three special categories have been included in this book. The first category names Pomona families whose members have attended Pomona's high schools for three generations or more. The second category contains names of persons who have gone through the local senior schools and have remained to maintain a business or professional office or to contribute volunteer service within the community. The third category is a list of persons who have attended local high schools and have gone on to establish for themselves a reputation beyond the city's borders.

Regretfully, the three lists are incomplete. The Book Committee's information came from various sources including word of mouth and response to newspaper publicity; unfortunately, no means was available by which everyone eligible could be contacted. Information gathered here attests to faith in the city's schools, and provides a representative sample of the varied and successful careers pursued by the products of those schools.

High schools, other than Pomona High School, are specified. The last year attended when known, is included in parentheses.

THREE AND MORE GENERATIONS

J.T. (Earl) Abblitt (1905); Mabel Rohrbough
Abblitt (1910) Central School
Thelma Abblitt Maxmiller (1943)
Christine Maxmiller Pennisi (1961)
Russell Maxmiller (1961)
Eugene Adams (1913)
Katharine Adams Edgerton (1942);

George Edgerton (1942)
Kenneth Edgerton (1967)
John Edgerton (1969)
Kathy Edgerton (1972)
Stanley Adams (1945)
Lori Adams (1970)
Jennifer Adams (1975)
Margaret Adams Baird (1946);
George Baird (1946)
Gregory Baird (1969)
Janice Baird (1972)
Diane Baird (1974)
Margaret Willocks Reid Adamson (1900)
Central School
J. Edgar Adamson (1914); A Grace Steffa
Adamson (1914)
Margaret Adamson Abblitt (1939);
William Elroy Abblitt (1933)
John Adamson (1940)
Dorothy Adamson Prickett (1922)
Bruce L. Prickett (1948)
J. Howard Becker (1907)
John Becker (1940)
Pamela Becker (1972) Ganesha
Patricia Becker (1974) Ganesha
Theodore A. Booth (1918)
Gerry Booth Carscaden (1940)
Andrea Carscaden Bedren (1960)
Walter A. (Dolly) Booth
Rex Booth (1931)
Nan Booth Menke (1965)
Flora Ten Eyck Bowen (1924)
Joyce Bowen Jeffers (1945);
Glenn Jeffers (1941)
Claudia Jeffers Del Turco (1967)
Carol Jeffers Rogan (1969)
Mark Jeffers (1970)
Will Bowen (1912)
Ruth Bowen Fite (1935)
David Fite (1968)
Charles Bowen (1936); Jean Roseberry Bowen
(1936)
Charles Bowen, Jr. (1964) Ganesha
Barbara Bowen Lawson (1967); Gary
Lawson (1966)
Janet Bowen Robinson (1969)
Bill Bowen, Jr. (1939)
Lani Bowen Codero (1963) Ganesha
Bill Bowen, III (1966)
Esther Bowen Parson (1945)
Mike Bowe (1966)
Eva Jane Brown Brewer (1886) Central School

Ruth Brewer Duffy (1911)
 John Duffy (1941)
 Daniel Duffy (1965) Garey
 David Duffy (1965) Garey

Ella Hardin Bruce
 Clara Belle Bruce Swick (1935);
 Dean Swick (1934)
 Shirley Swick Moore (1961); Bill Moore
 Paul Swick (1964); Rita Coffee Swick (1964)
 Richard Bruce (1940); Cora Mae Sheffield
 Bruce (1942)
 Gene Bruce (1965) Garey; Sharon Robbins
 Bruce (1970) Garey
 David Bruce (1967) Garey; Sharon Williams
 Bruce (1967) Garey
 Stephen Bruce (1968) Garey; Diane Tobel
 Bruce (1970) Garey
 Ralph Bruce (1971) Garey; Peggy Stottler
 Bruce (1971) Garey
 Roger Bruce (1971) Garey; Edna Soperrio
 Bruce (1975) Garey
 Nancy Bruce (1977) Garey
 Kenneth Bruce (1942); Doris Everett Bruce (1943)
 Bill Bruce (1966)
 Jean Bruce Merkel (1971); Dwight Merkel
 (1967)
 Jim Bruce (1969)

G. Earl Clark (1901)
 Don Clark (1933)
 Betsy Clark (1972)

T. Edmund Cooke, Sr. (1921)
 Thomas E. Cooke, Jr. (1946)
 Michael Cooke (1966) Ganesha
 Robert Cooke (1970) Ganesha

Cecil Edgar (1920) May Flickinger Edgar (1919)
 Earlene Edgar Oliver (1948)
 Karen Oliver (1971) Ganesha
 Lori Oliver (1974) Ganesha

Francis Elizabeth Lynch Flatt (1907) Pomona
 Catholic
 Jeanne Flatt Glover (1944); Eugene (Nolie)
 Glover (1945)
 Christine Glover Abbott (1970) Garey
 Norlaie Glover (1972) Garey
 Monica Glover (1978) Garey

Frank Ford (1919); Anita Weigle Ford (1918)
 Dorothy Ford Johnson (1945); Calvin
 Johnson (1943)
 Richard Johnson (1967)
 Jack Ford (1943); Laura Belle Calloway
 Ford (1950)
 Eric Ford (1978)

Nina Snyder Forsyth (1928)
 Lloyd Forsyth (1949)
 Andrew Forsyth (1969)
 Christopher Forsyth (1973)
 Bradley Forsyth (1974)
 Michael Forsyth (1975)

Harold Frater (1916); Eldora Brest Frater
 (1919)
 Charlotte Frater Galliher (1942)
 Janet Galliher (1964)
 Nancy Galliher (1966)
 Barbara Frater Combe (1943)
 Dale Combe (1964)
 Shirley Combe Kavanagh (1967)
 Judy Combe (1968)

Earl Fredendall (1906)
 Marcia Fredendall Warren (1941)
 Mark Warren (1968)
 Beth Warren (1973)

James Fryer
 Roy Fryer (1894)
 Edward Fryer (1933)
 Robert Fryer (1936)
 Margaret Fryer Adelman (1945)

Guadalupe Hernandez Fuentez
 Joey Fuentez (1953); Gloria Rojas
 Fuentez (1954)
 Madonna Fuentez (1974) Ganesha
 Christine Fuentez (1976) Garey

Ethel Reeves Gardner (1913)
 Lucille Gardner Bronson (1929)
 John Bronson (1960)
 Jay Bronson (1962)

Carroll Genung (1912); Gertrude Crouch
 Genung (1917)
 Barbara Genung Eichorn Schoening (1940);
 Edward Schoening (1944)
 Diane Eichorn de Ford (1961)

Nettie McFarland Gow (1908)
 Jean Gow Wooten (1939)
 Kenneth Wooten (1960)
 Christine Wooten (1962)
 Michael Wooten (1974)

Clarence P. Hansen (1922); Maxine Elliott
 Hansen (1928)
 Peggy Hansen Hope (1946); Del Hope (1946)
 Susan Hope (1968)

Vivian Thompson Janssen (1930)
 Janelle Janssen Hansen (1953)
 Todd Hansen (1971)
 Blaine Hansen (1975)

Connie Goodykoontz Nast (1967)
Terry Goodykoontz (1969)
Gail Goodykoontz (1975)

Anita Palomares Ramirez (only direct descendant of
Ignacio Palomares still living in Pomona)

Hilda Ramirez Jara (1933); Maurice
Jara (1942)
Marshall Atencio (1952)
Alma Ramirez Richards
Clayton Otto (1956); Charlene
Slinger (1958)
Douglas Hoy (1965) Ganesha

George Ritter (1917); Ruth Rampton Ritter (1917)
Bob Ritter (1938)
Bob Ritter (1971)
Alice Ritter (1972)
Karen Ritter (1977)
Charlene Ritter (1978)
Raylene Ritter Stoltsworth (1948);
James Stoltsworth (1946)
James Stoltsworth (1971)
Susan Stoltsworth Headley (1973)
Linda Stoltsworth Ortega (1975)

Ellsworth Sorensen (1927)
Peggy Sorensen Gibbs (1950)
Debbie Gibbs (1975)

Mildred Brum Stevens (1921)
Valora Stevens Markey (1944)
Larry Markey (1969)
Ann Markey (1971)

Mildred Neibel Tingstrom (1931)
Judy Tingstrom Slagle (1958)
Steven Slagle (1978)

John R. Todd (1914); Grace Koenig Todd (1916)
Richard Todd (1939)
Mary Todd Williamson (1967)
Marty Todd (1968)
Rick Todd (1973)
Jack Todd (1945)
Debbie Todd (1971)
John Todd (1972)
Nancy Todd (1976)

David Valdez (1892) Central School
Esther Valdez Huber (1938)
Pat Huber Elenburg (1964) Ganesha
Flossie Valdez Mantizio (1938)
David Thomas Mantizio (1964)

Earl M. Wilkinson (1907); Cary Whitham
Wilkinson (1910)
Earl M. (Sonny) Wilkinson, Jr. (1941);
Bess Carter Wilkinson (1941)

Nancy Wilkinson Marshall (1967) Ganesha
Scott Wilkinson (1967) Ganesha
James Wilkinson (1969) Ganesha

Maurice Williams (1917)
Jay Williams (1939)
Susan Williams (1964) Garey
Ardys Williams Eckert (1965) Garey
Sharon Williams Bruce (1967); Garey
David Bruce (1967) Garey
Anita Williams Richardson (1940)
Gregg Richardson (1974) Ganesha
Tim Richardson (1975) Ganesha
Dan Richardson (1978) Ganesha

Annie Priestley Wilton (1888)
Louis Wilton (1909); Ruth Manning
Wilton (1912)
Margaret Wilton Shagena (1938)
Catherine Shagena Torres (1966)
John Shagena (1969)
William Shagena (1974)

Lawrence Woodruff (1919); Margaret Montgomery
Woodruff (1921)
Virginia Woodruff Krogh (1943)
Lynn Krogh (1970)
David Krogh (1972)

POMONANS WHO REMAINED

ARCORACI, Thomas (1941), Tommy's Texaco
Station; ARKEL, Ralph (1945), DC; AVERBECK,
Elwell (1924), Elwell Averbeck Co. insurance;
BADER, Charles (1958), Pomona City Councilman;
BAMESBERGER, Jack (1947), DDS; BARK, Millie
(1937), Fifth Avenue Beauty Salon.

BECK, Joseph (1930), Town and Country Realty
Co.; BELLOWS, David (1947), DDS; BOILEAU,
Burdett (1930), attorney; BOOTH, Jack (1928), and
BOOTH, Rex (1931), and BOOTH, Robert (1937),
Booth Bros. Investment Co.

CANFIELD, Charles, Jr. (1964), Century 21,
Canfield-Cravens Realtors; CARR, Lucille Gates
(1932), musician; CARR, Richard Sr. (1932), and
CARR, Richard Jr. (1960), Pomona Catholic, Carr
Paper Company; CASTRO, Al (1953), Castro Realty.

CLARK, Don E. (1932), Clark Bros.; CLARK,
Don (1945), Don Clark Brake and Wheel; CLARK,
Walter (1934), Clark's Service; DAY, Roy (1918),
Day Printing Corp.; EELLS, Edith Frances (1931),
president of Women's Auxiliary, Pomona Valley
Community Hospital; ESPIAU, Wilber (1934),
Espiau's Restaurant.

EVANS, John A. (1924), John P. Evans' store;
EWART, David (1963), and EWART, Robert (1933),
Ewart's store; EDINGER, Oscar (1923), retired presi-
dent, Mt. San Antonio College.

Alpha Beta Food Markets incorporated in 1928, three Gerrard brothers, Albert C., Hugh A., and Alexander William, were partners in the operation of four stores in Pomona and Santa Ana. Today, Alpha Beta has more than 250 retail units, including supermarkets, coffee shops and drugstores. Most are located in California, with three markets in Pomona. The book, "The Alpha Beta Story," by Esther R. Cramer, tells about the Gerrard family and the growth of the successful food retailing organization. It is available at the Pomona Public Library.

Booth Bros. Investment Company's roots here go back to about 1900 when Walter Booth came to Pomona and started a clothing business on 2nd known as Booth, Vaughn and Sons. In 1921, Booth entered the real estate business and in 1943, Booth Bros., presently owned by Walter's son, Jack, was established. The firm moved to the present location, 200 W. Holt Avenue, in 1945.

The Clark Bros. auto dealership was founded in 1901 by G. Earl Clark and originally was located at 1st and Main Streets. The company moved ten years ago to 1100 E. Holt and is owned by Don Clark, son of the founder.

Pollock's Flower Shop, 715 N. Garey, was founded in 1905 and at that time called The Franco-American Nursery. In 1922, Lawrence N. Pollock, Sr., a native of Healdsburg, California, came to Pomona and purchased the floral company when he was only 17 years old. The original location, in the 200 block of North Garey, had to be abandoned at the time the underpass was constructed. Lawrence Pollock, Jr., entered the business in 1945.

Todd Memorial Chapel, 570 N. Garey, has stood in the same location since it was founded in 1907 by Walter B. Todd, a native of Brewster, N.Y. who had settled in Pomona two years earlier. The mortuary is a corporation, Todd and Smith Inc., composed of John W. and Richard K. Todd, grandsons of the founder, and Lawrence E. Smith and his son, Donald.

The John P. Evans store, 269 Pomona Mall West (formerly 2nd), has been located here since its founding in 1911 by John P. Evans. His son, John A. Evans, heads the corporation, assisted by his children, Scott, Catherine and Mary.

In 1917, the Auto Club of Southern California established offices here. R.E. Schmidt is the present manager.

Pomona Sheet Metal Works and the Pomona Valley Board of Realtors both came into existence in 1921. The board, one of the pioneer such organizations in the state, has offices at 665 N. Garey. The metal works, at 110 S. Huntington, was founded by Max George. Its original location on North Gordon Street was acquired by the city for a

helicopter site. Paul Pazkovich is the present owner and operates the business with his son, Richard.

The Brogdex Company, 1441 W. 2nd, has been at the same location since its inception in 1922. It is involved in the manufacture of waxes and compounds. The company has warehouses in Lindsey, Santa Paula, Yuma, Arizona; Orlando, Florida, and associates and manufacturing license arrangements with Spain, Italy, Argentina and the Middle East.

Pomona Tile Manufacturing Company was founded in 1923 by a group of local businessmen. Executive offices and showroom were at 216 S. Reservoir St., and factory offices were at 1315 E. 3rd. It manufactured ceramic wall and floor tile and was a division of American Olean Tile Company.

Betsy Ross Ice Cream Company was founded in 1926 with four employees at 225 N. Garey. The company incorporated in 1946 and presently has five locations, in and outside of Pomona, with about 150



Early view of Gerrard's Triangle Groceria, forerunner of the Alpha Beta market chain.



Gerrard's Triangle Groceria.
Alpha Beta Photograph

Clark Bros. Garage



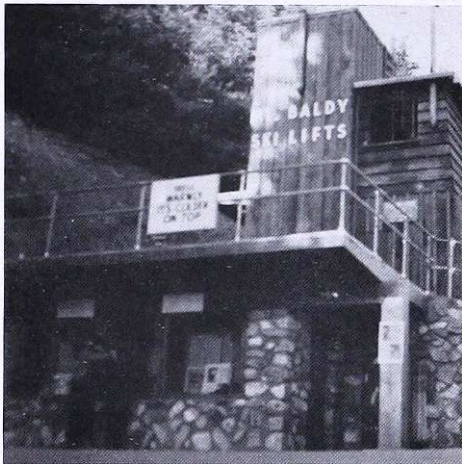
Clark Bros. Auto Agency in the 1940's



Present view of the Clark Bros. building.
It is now owned by the V. F. W.

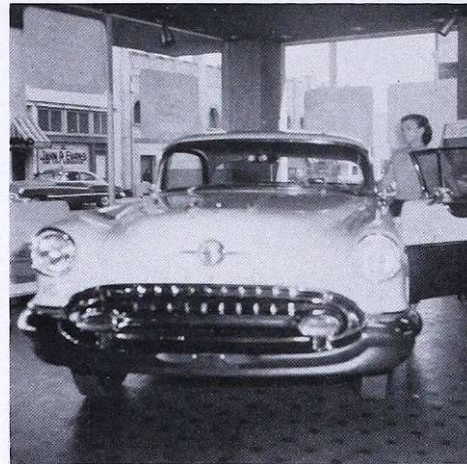
CLARK BROS. GARAGE (1923 & 1949)
115 - 135 South Main

Evidence proves that the Clark Bros. auto agency building still exists under this modern facade. Built in 1923 to replace a building used by the Clarks as an auto agency and livery stable since 1901, this structure was remodeled in 1949. Metal panels now cover the second floor windows which stretched across the front of the brick facade. Manufactured marble covers the first floor. Two new entrances were built and a flat canopy placed above the rear entry. The old building is not visible on the exterior. The Clark Bros. firm is reputed to have been the world's first Oldsmobile dealer. Frederick Clark opened a blacksmith shop and buggy and wagon shop in 1894. In 1901 his sons, G. Earl, Lloyd, and Glen took over the business. The firm switched from wagons to cars in 1914 when it became the first Oldsmobile dealer. Often the owners would take a horse and buggy as a trade-in for a new car. In 1964, National Oldsmobile officials and civic leaders gave a testimonial honoring Earl Clark for his 50 years as a dealer. Mr. Clark was credited by the Progress-Bulletin with helping move Pomona out of the horse and buggy era and into motorized transportation. In 1964 the firm moved to 1100 E. Holt Ave. Earl Clark, though retired, continued to be active in civic affairs until his death in 1969.



Nowhere is there a view to compare with the breathtaking sight at Mt. Baldy seen from the safe, comfortable ski chairs. Mt. Baldy spells fun for young and old alike.

BALDY SKI LIFT
North of Claremont



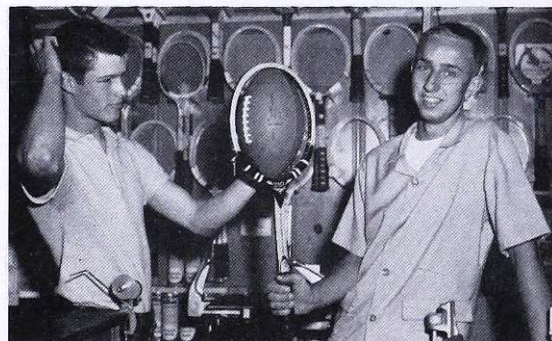
Andy is stepping into this four-door Oldsmobile hardtop for one of the smoothest rides ever. With its new sweeping lines it is bound to be a winner in any circle.

CLARK BROS.
125 S. Main



Kerry is inspecting the fishing gear, while Weldon is telling about that monstrous fish he caught. For all types of sports and hobby equipment, browse around at Rod, Gun and Hobby Shop.

ROD, GUN AND HOBBY SHOP
353 E. Second



Bob just can't figure how to get this football through John's tennis racket. Well Bob, there must be a solution, since the racket is unstrung. Maybe Mr. Clewett has the answer.

BEAMON'S SPORTING GOODS
429 W. Second

CLARK, DON E.

Don E. Clark to Resume Post At Clark Bros.

Don E. Clark has resumed his association with Clark Brothers garage, following his discharge from the Army air forces after more than four years of service. It was announced today by G. Earl Clark, his father and proprietor of the local automobile agency.

The younger Clark will assume the position of sales manager.

Enlisting as a private in the Army in December, 1941, he rose to the rating of sergeant-major before his discharge. He first was stationed at March field as a payroll clerk, was transferred to Topeka, Kan., to assist in the establishment of a new air base there, and later served at various other air bases in the United States.

In 1945, he went overseas to serve at bases in the Caribbean. After approximately four months he became eligible for discharge under the point system, and returned to the United States. His last station was at Sioux City, Ia., where he received his discharge.

His last assignments were as personnel manager for the bases where he served.

As sales manager, Clark will be at the Pomona headquarters of the Buick-Oldsmobile agency, located at 115-135 S. Main street, it was announced. Before entering the Army, he was manager of the concern's Ontario branch.

LADLOW, WALTER W.

WALTER LADLOW ENROLLS IN MACHINIST MATE'S SCHOOL

Advancing into the field of specialist by way of a navy service school, Walter W. Ladlow, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Ladlow of 1843 E. Grand avenue, is now enrolled in the training school for machinist's mates on the North Dakota State School of Science campus in Wahpeton, N. D.

His curriculum includes courses in machine bench work, machine operation, welding and sheet metal, engine room maintenance, practical physics and drawing and blueprint reading. Completion of the 16-weeks course will make him eligible for a petty officer rating of machinist's mate, third class.

Ladlow, who enlisted in the navy last April, received his recruit training at San Diego. He expects to complete his present training course early in October, following which he will be assigned to duty at sea or at some naval shore station.

After Ladlow graduated from high school in 1938 he was employed as a painter at Clark Bros. garage. While in high school he was a member of the band, playing the baritone.

With him in Wahpeton is his wife, the former Esther Reeves of

Chino, who will return to Pomona when he husband completes his training course.

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LADLOW GETS FIREMEN 3RD CLASS RATING

Walter W. Ladlow, 22-year-old Pomonan, was home on brief furlough today after receiving a United States navy rating of fireman third class upon graduation from the newly established naval training school for machinists and firemen at the North Dakota State school of sciences.

Ladlow arrived here Tuesday night and reports back to the school Monday for assignment to duty, leaving Thursday night. He may go on duty with the fleet, at some shore station or in another school to gain more specialized training.

At Wahpeton, N. D., he was given 16 weeks of training in the operation and repair of all types of machinery used by the navy. He enlisted in the navy last April as an apprentice seaman and took his recruiting training at San Diego. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Ladlow of 1843 E. Grand avenue. His wife, the former Esther Reeves of Chino, has been with him in Wahpeton.