

R92  
1918  
1111

MUNICIPAL REFERENCE LIBRARY  
300 CITY HALL

CITY OFFICIALS

NAME Duryee, Harvey Hoag

PUBLIC OFFICES HELD (DATE)

CITY:

Playground & Recreation Commission..Oct 1917  
to Sept 1918

COUNTY:

STATE:

FEDERAL:

CIVIC ACTIVITIES:

**BUSINESS OR PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

**PORTRAIT:**

**ATTACHED OR ENCLOSED IN ENVELOPE: *None***

**PORTRAITS APPEARING ELSEWHERE (DATES)**

## ANECDOTES AND PERSONAL IMPRESSIONS:

City born Harvey Hoag Duryee is an enthusiastic rancher. The vagaries of fruits, the building of county roads, the developing of citrus and deciduous fruits and trees, he admits to finding more interesting than clubs and similar social activities.

**SOURCES OF INFORMATION:**

**BOOKS:**

**NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS:**

**PERSONAL INTERVIEW:**

**INTERVIEWED BY: Luella Sawyer**

**DATE OF INTERVIEW: April 1935**

**REWRITTEN BY: Clare Wallace**

**April 23, 1936**

1912  
1913  
1914  
1915  
1916

The Los Angeles Public Library  
Local History Collection  
Biography

NAME Duryee, Harvey Hoag

Occupation Realtor and Orchardist

Address Rowan Building, Los Angeles

Birth (Date and Place) April 14, 1871, New York, N.Y.

FATHER Jacob Eugene Duryee

Birth (Date and Place) 1838, New York, N.Y.

If Deceased, When \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER Lillie Hoag

Birth (Date and Place) 1849, New York, N.Y.

If Deceased, When \_\_\_\_\_

IF MARRIED, TO WHOM Grace Bartlett Kissan

Birth of Same (Date and Place) Feb. 21, 1875, New York, N.Y.

If Deceased, When \_\_\_\_\_

When Married April 7, 1896

CHILDREN (Married Names of Daughters)

Melville Kissan

Mrs. Eugene J. Cutting



## ANCESTORS OF DISTINCTION OR LOCAL INTEREST

(Please include names of local interest as "forty-niners," or any one connected with the affairs or development of the state or city, as officials, professional men, merchants, etc.)

### The French Huguenot family of Duryee

landed in America as refugees, 1670. They served with honor in the War of the American Revolution.

Grandfather, Major-General Abram, served as first Colonel of the New York Seventh Regiment, raising and equipping the Duryee Zouaves, those colorful troops now historically famous.

Father, Jacob Duryee, was the youngest commissioned Brigadier-General in the Civil war, serving with the Second Maryland Contingent for the Union, which was raised by Lincoln in Baltimore.

### EDUCATION (Schools, Colleges, Degrees, Etc.)

Public Schools of New York., Columbia Military Academy; Foreign schooling.

### CLUBS, LEARNED SOCIETIES, ETC.

Los Angeles Athletic Club; Amateur Fencing League

### RELIGIOUS DENOMINATION Episcopal

POLITICAL AFFILIATIONS Independent

RESIDENCE IN CALIFORNIA SINCE 1901

## SKETCH

(Please make this as full as possible, giving business affiliations, positions of honor or trust with dates if possible.)

Into a distinguished New York family Harvey Hoag Duryee was born April 14, 1871, in New York City. He was educated in the public schools of New York, Columbia Military Academy, and in foreign institutions, after which he entered real estate business, under the firm name of Ashforth & Duryee.

Removing to California in 1901, he settled in Redlands, where he was secretary of the San Bernardino Valley Traction Company, and president of the Redlands Trust Company.

The following year Mr. Duryee came to Los Angeles, where he has since resided.

In October, 1917, Mayor Alexander appointed him to the Playground and Recreation Commission, from which he resigned in September, 1918. While on the Commission, Mr. Duryee, with Mr. Raitt, helped to locate and plan the now successful Camp Radfords and High Sierra, which have given vacation to hundreds of Angelenos.

Mr. Duryee's business affiliations are with R.A. Rowan Company, Los Angeles.

### HOBBIES:

Fencing

His ranch in Lancaster

Wildflowers

Pomology