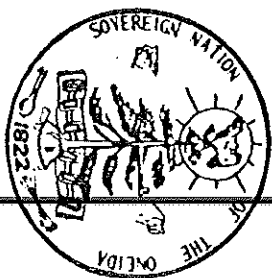


MARK N. POWLESS

CHAIRMAN JULY 1939 - JULY 1940



Mark N. Powless was born April 13, 1887, the son of Elizabeth(Baird) and John D. Powless. Mark attended the Oneida Government Boarding School. Mark married Margaret Stevens and they had 9 children, 5 sons, John, Purcell, Mark, Herb, and Eugene, and 4 daughters, Lorraine, Mary, Dorothy, and Marge. Mark Powless served both as President under the State Charter in 1935 and again as Chairman under Federal Charter in 1939-40. During the time Mark served as Chairman it was a turning point for the tribe, it was an era in Oneida Tribal Government history when the Tribal Council was beginning to work together as a new Council under federal recognition. Mark successfully completed one term of office as Chairman and one term as President.