

## GRAVE QUESTIONS

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Repeated fires in the weeds growing rank among the wooden markers over the years have erased all signs of the last resting places of many of these rugged pioneers. Their earthly remains lie there together — somewhere.

others. Those of other members of his family remain, but he rests in an unmarked grave.

Another mystery concerns the grave of Isaac Slover, mountain man and bear hunter, who came to California with the New Mexicans in his old age, and built his home near them at the foot of the cement mountain named for him. When he was killed in 1854 by a bear that he was hunting in the nearby mountains, his friends buried him at the foot of Slover Mountain. However, a week later, his wife insisted on a Catholic service, and he was reburied at Agua Mansa, no one knows where.

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many Americans living near the San Bernardino Valley prior to the war, some had become Mexican citizens and many of them married Mexican women. Among these were Michael White, Ben Wilson, Louis Robidoux and Isaac Williams, the latter having married one of Jose del Carmen Lugo's sisters. When the war came to California, these men renounced their Mexican citizenship and joined the cause of their former countrymen. One day Jose del Carmen Lugo heard that Ben Wilson was preparing to come to San Bernardino to take him prisoner, so he recruited some help and went to meet Wilson. When he arrived at the Wilson home in Jurupa, he discovered Wilson had left home with a number of other Americans bound for the Isaac Williams home in Chino. Lugo followed with about twenty companions who were able to surround the Williams home, and, after reinforcements arrived from Los Angeles, take the Americans prisoner. This action left both sides terribly embittered.

The rigors of this pioneer life could not have been very appealing to the Lugo family. The isolation, the constant Indian menace, the bitter feelings left by the Mexican-American War, all of this must have made the offer they received on the Rancho San Bernardino in 1851 look very appealing. Besides, that offer amounted to \$77,500, quite a fortune at the time.

**JUSTICE IN SAN BERNARDINO:** Mr. Henry Wozencraft yesterday afternoon met with quite an alarming although not serious accident. He was crossing the road between Wiggin's corner and Allen's drug store when John Wallace, who came down the street driving a span of horses and buggy at full speed, collided with him, knocked him down, and ran over him, tearing his clothing and bruising him considerably but fortunately inflicting no serious injury. Wallace was arrested, tried before Justice Knox this morning for fast driving and fined in the sum of \$25. . . S. B. Weekly Times, Sept. 20, 1879.

(No speeding ticket; just swift justice. AMH)