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1340 Dorothy Drive, Glendale,
Los Angeles County, California.

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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA
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1340 Dorothy Drive, Glendale,
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Owner: City of Glendale, Park Department.

Date of erection: Approximately 1861.

Architect:

Builder: Tomas Sanchez. Owner

Present condition: Now well preserved with restoration made in 1935, House is now used as a museum.

Number of stories: One

Materials of construction: Field stone foundation, sun dried adobe brick walls plastered both sides, wood framed floor and roof construction, shingled roof. All plaster walls and exterior wood work including sash and doors have been white washed, shutters stained, interior wood work painted.

Other existing records: Los Angeles Times, issue of March 3, 1935.

Additional Data: The house was the first erected in what is now the city of Glendale, was built by Tomas Sanchez a pioneer, southland resident, who for some years served as sheriff of the Los Angeles County. The house and site of 1½ acres was purchased in about 1929 by the City of Glendale and in 1934 - 1935 the house was restored from its abandoned and ruined condition by plans prepared and under the direction of J. Marshall Miller. The grounds were improved under the direction of Charles G. Adams, Landscape Architect and with these improvements the property has become a public park.

The property was a portion of the San Rafael Rancho which was the first California land grant made by a King of Spain. Jose Maria Verdugo, a retired Sergeant of the Port of San Diego was the recipient of the grant in 1784.

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