

The Cos House
San Antonio, Texas.

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VILLITA STREET & WOMBLE ALLEY
SAN ANTONIO, BEXAR CO., TEXAS

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The present owner is the City Water Board, City of San Antonio, Texas. The property was acquired from the San Antonio Water Company in January, 1925.

The San Antonio Water Company acquired the property from Dennis Foutrell in 1905. Mr. Foutrell acquired it from Jose Maria Salinas in 1847, into whose hands it ^{had} passed from John W. Smith in 1840, by sheriff's sale. The original land grant, was applied for by Jose Maria Salinas in 1830, and the property was deeded by this person to Guadalupe Ramon in 1834. These facts were established in the Bexar County Court-house Records.

The house is unoccupied, and little is known of its past occupancy, recent or otherwise.

Nothing is known in regard to the date of construction of the house, nor names of Architect, builder and original owner.

It is difficult to estimate how much of the original building remains. Numerous replacements and repairs have been made from time to time, and it is doubtful if any of the doors or windows are original.

It is credited with being the scene of the surrender of the Mexican General Cos to General Burleson, Commander of the Texas Revolutionary Army in December 9, 1835. The papers of capitulation are said to have been signed in the house and it has been marked and identified to that effect by a marble tablet placed by the Texas Historic Landmark Association.

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