

# SHAKESPEARE READER BURIED

Barney Roche quit the sea to come here when El Paso was a wide spot in the cow trails 50 years ago and to recite Shakespeare to barroom audiences. Friends buried him yesterday in a shallow grave in Concordia cemetery.

There were no relatives to claim the body of the old pioneer, born in 1842.

He gave up Shakespeare soon after his advent here. Then he tried lighter plays before going into furniture store work. I. G. Gall of Old Ft. Bliss, says Roche once ran a furniture store near the present site of the State National Bank.

Among the old-timers who knew him well, are: J. U. Sweeney, J. A. Escajeda, J. D. Ponder, J. R. Harper, Adolph Hoffman, Capt. John Sullivan, I. G. Gall, Chas. Fassett, Judge W. D. Howe, W. D. Greet and C. E. Kelly.

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