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MANUEL S. GULARTE.—A resident of San Luis Obispo County since 1875, who has been engaged in stock-raising and farming, Manuel Gularte was born in St. George, of the Azores group, in 1855. His father, Silva Gularte, was a farmer; so Manuel from a lad worked on the home place and learned the stock-raising industry as it was followed in the Azores. Having heard good reports of wages awaiting anyone willing to work in the United States, he determined to try his fortune in the land of the Stars and Stripes. Accordingly, when eighteen years of age, he left his native land and kindred and embarked for the New World, arriving in Providence, R. I., where he was employed for two years. He then came to the Pacific Coast.

Arriving in San Luis Obispo County in 1875, Mr. Gularte obtained a place at herding sheep in the Paso Robles district, and later on the Carissa Plains and at Simmler. After some years of steady employment and saving his money, he decided to go into sheep-raising on his own account, and purchased a flock of about five hundred ewes, which he ran on the range in the vicinity of Simmler. The flock increased, and he was successful, becoming the owner of two flocks of sheep of about 2,000 each.

During this time he pre-empted and also homesteaded land. He had a ranch of three hundred twenty- acres, which he improved, and operated with good success.

Fortune having smiled on him, Mr. Gularte sought a wife: and in the old Mission town of San Luis Obispo he was united in marriage with Marianna Azevedo, also a native of St. George. Of this union have been born seven children, as follows : Amelia, Mrs. Silva, who lives on a farm near her parents ; Manuel, who assists his father on the ranch ; Mary, Mrs. Silvera, of Sisquoc ; and Marian, Rose, Anthony, and John, who are at home.

Mr. Gularte purchased a ranch of two hundred fifty acres four and a half miles north of San Luis Obispo, where he has a dairy: and he also owns a farm of one hundred sixty acres two miles south of his ranch. This he rents to others, giving his time and attention to farming the place on which he resides.

He is a member of the Board of trustees of the Cuesta school district; and fraternally he is a member of the U. P. E. C. and L D. E. S. He and his family are communicants of the Mission Catholic Church in San Luis Obispo. In national politics he is a Republican.