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## DEATHS AND BURIALS

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### Mrs. M. C. Bridgers.

Melissa Caroline Bridgers died this morning at 5 o'clock, age 71 years and 11 months. The funeral was conducted from the family residence, 615 Nevada street, at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon, Rev. Robert Bruce Smith officiating. Deceased was a pioneer El Pasoan, having removed to this city from Austin, Texas, in the month of December, 1881. She is survived by her three sons, William, Sam and Leigh. Interment was in Concordia cemetery.

William Bridgers is assistant district attorney, in El Paso; Samuel Bridgers is in Mexico, and Leigh Bridgers is a clerk in the office of the auditor of the E. P. & S. W.

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HERALD 2-1-05

## First House Built On North Stanton St. Is Torn Down To Make Way For Progress

**E**L PASO is losing another landmark.

At 602 North Stanton street a house is being torn down. It is the first house ever built on North Stanton street and the fourth house to be built north of the railroad tracks. In 1883, Mrs. C. M. Bridgers, mother of W. W. Bridgers of this city, built the house.

From Mesa avenue across the railroad tracks a beaten path among the sage brush led to Stanton street. Rabbits occasionally ran over the path. Except for the fact that the west was wild there was no neces-

sity for pulling down shades in the house. There were no others near it.

Mrs. Bridgers paid \$100 for the lot the house was built on, according to Mr. Bridgers. The house had a brick front, the first brick front north of the railroad tracks since other homes across the tracks were frame.

The workmen now tearing the house down look on paved streets. There are homes and places of business all around them. But the workmen who put the house up saw nothing but sagebrush, mesquite, a few crows, and a rabbit as they worked.

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