

# School Teacher Dies on Birthday

Mrs. Ernestine Z. Davis, teacher at Mesita School, died today on her 53rd birthday in an El Paso hospital.

Mrs. Davis was born July 8, 1900 in Houston. In 1921, after graduating from Loretto College, Webster Groves, Mo., Mrs. Davis moved with her family to El Paso where she began teaching in El Paso public schools.

Mrs. Davis was instrumental in the development of the Newman road residential areas through contribution of a private waterline to the City of El Paso which brought about the building the Britton Davis addition. The addition was named after Mrs. Davis' husband who died in 1950.

In 1951 she contributed a site at 4500 Lawton road to the County School Board to be used for the building of Wainwright School.

Mrs. Davis is survived by her mother, Mrs. Anita Zovisch, her brother, James E. Koons; two nephews, and three nieces.

Funeral arrangements are pending with Rodehaver-Miller Funeral Home.