

W. B. MERCHANT DIES AT HOME IN LOS ANGELES

Lived Here and at Las
Cruces—Once Postmaster
of New Orleans.

W. B. Merchant, former resident of El Paso and Las Cruces, N. M., died this morning at his home in Los Angeles, Cal., according to a telegram received here today by Frank del Buono, from Mrs. Merchant.

Before coming to El Paso some 14 years ago, W. B. Merchant was postmaster of New Orleans, La., and he was well known to former residents of that city.

He engaged in the practice of law in this city, and was at one time counsel for the F. B. Cotton estate. At intervals, while practicing here, he made his home at Las Cruces, N. M. His home there was burned about two years ago.

He was a sufferer from a cancerous growth and about a year ago left for the coast and made his home at 1001 Fedora street, Los Angeles.

Geraldine Merchant, daughter of the deceased, attended the Loretto academy at Las Cruces, N. M., during the past term. Recently she was in Hotel Dieu suffering from typhoid fever and left the city Monday of this week for California, accompanied by Dr. H. E. Stevenson and family.

Luther Merchant, son of judge W. B. Merchant, by a former marriage, was killed this year in Mexico. Mrs. Lulu M. Rogan, a daughter of the late judge Merchant, and her mother, his first wife, now live at Houston, Texas.