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**DEATH OF THE WIFE OF  
SUPERINTENDENT PUTNAM.**

**She Was an Active Worker in the Church and Schools, and She Will Be Sadly Missed.—Schools are all Closed.**

Mrs. May Harrell Putnam, wife of Superintendent Putnam of the El Paso public schools, died in this city this morning at three o'clock after about eight days illness of pneumonia.

Mrs. Putnam has lived in El Paso since her marriage to Prof. Putnam seven years ago. She was born in Bell county, this state, March 7, 1871, graduated at the age of fifteen in the Belton schools and soon after began teaching in the schools of that county.

Her father, W. H. Harrell, moved to Dallas in a year or two after his daughter began teaching and she went with him, securing a place as teacher in the Dallas schools. For seven years she taught in Dallas and was teaching there when she was married to Prof. Putnam, superintendent of the El Paso schools.

Mrs. Putnam's experience in school work has been a great aid to her husband, and in the church and schools as well as at home she will be sadly missed.

Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Putnam, a boy now five years old and a two year old baby girl.

Mrs. Putnam was a member of the First Baptist church, a faithful, consecrated worker. Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at three thirty o'clock at the church and interment will take place in Evergreen cemetery.

The schools were all closed today out of respect to the dead, and both teachers and pupils will prepare a suitable memorial.

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