FORMER COLUMBUS LADY DIES IN PARIS, FRANCE

Mrs. William Ward Watkin, wife of the prominent Houston architect, died at the American Hospital in Paris, France, early Saturday morning, according to word received in Houston Saturday.

Mrs. Watkin was well known in Houston, where she had been closely identified with social activities for some time. The Watkins resided at 5009 Caroline.

Mr. and Mrs. Watkin with their three children went abroad last August for a year's stay in Europe while Mr. Watkin continued his special architectural studies in the Old World. Their residence was established in Paris.

Mrs. Watkin is survived by her husband and three children, Rosemary, Annie Ray and William Ward Watkin, Jr.

Mrs. Watkin was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Townsend. Mr. Townsend was former state senator from Columbus, Texas, where the family made their home and where Mrs. Watkin was born. Later they moved to San Antonio where Mrs. Watkin made her debut. She was a graduate of the Washington School at Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Watkin had been ill for about two months preceding her death, which followed a major operation at the American Hospital in Paris.

Mr. Watkin has been professor of architecture at Rice Institute and a leader in athletics there.

Eagle Lake Headlight. Saturday, March 9, 1929, Eagle Lake, Texas.