Kratt Elementary School

This school was named for Dr. Edwin C. Kratt who was superintendent of the Fresno Unified School District for 21 years. A native of Portland, Oregon, Dr. Kratt was educated in the public schools of that city, received his A.B. Degree from Linville College. He served for some years in the public schools of Oregon as a high school teacher, coach and superintendent. He attended Stanford University during 1928-29 and was awarded a Ph.D. degree by the University of the Pacific in the 1950's. In the fall of 1933, Dr. Kratt was appointed vice principal of Fresno High School and was made principal of the same school in 1937. In 1943 he was appointed assistant superintendent of the Fresno City Schools and held the position of superintendent for 21 years. Kratt was a leader in the organization of administrators of large city school systems in California during his active years. He was also deeply involved in the civic, church and fraternal life of Fresno. This school is located at 650 West Sierra Avenue and serves the elementary age children of the northwest section of Fresno. It is first listed in the Fresno Unified School District directory in the fall of 1968.