

# 123 Teachers Get Back Pay

WASHINGTON (UPI) —

In the first known equal pay ruling for public school teachers, the Labor Department announced it has won back wages for 123 Texas women who were paid less than their male colleagues.

Department officials reported the U.S. District Court in Houston has ruled that A and M Consolidated Independent School District in College Station, Tex., violated the law by paying male teachers \$300 more per year than women for equal work.

In a suit brought by the Labor Department, the court ordered the school district to pay \$35,674 in back wages plus more than \$8,000 in interest to 123 teachers who were underpaid during the 1972-73 school year.