## [Farmer, Anna Stiles]

## Mrs. Harry Farmer Dies in Hospital WAS FOR MANY YEARS A TEACHER IN VILLAGE SCHOOL

Mrs. Anna Stiles Farmer, former resident of Canton, the wife of Harry farmer, former mayor of Norwood and for many years business man of Norwood, passed away at Hepburn Hospital, Ogdensburg, Sunday afternoon at 5:30. She had been ill for most of the part of a year past and had been at the hospital for about two weeks.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday at 2 p.m., at the home, Norwood, the Rev. William Wood officiating. Burial will be made at Evergreen Cemetery, Canton, with committal service at 3:15.

She was born in Russell, Oct. 1, 1888, a daughter of Bert E. and Bertha Farmer Stiles. The Stiles family was one of the old families of the town of Russell. When she was quite young the family removed to Canton and her home was here during most of her life. She attended the Olin District School and the old Union Free School and Canton High. She graduated from Potsdam State Normal School and fitted for teaching. She taught at Johnstown, N.Y.; Ogdensburg and Norwood. She taught later in Canton and was kindergarten teacher and office secretary of the Principal of Canton village schools for over ten years, prior to her marriage to Harry Farmer of Norwood on January 12, 1941.

Following her marriage she and her husband took up their married life in Norwood where he had served as mayor and was engaged with the H. M. Kinsman Co. for years. Mrs. Farmer fitted nicely into the community life of Norwood and had made a fine circle of friends.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Farmer had contracted former marriages, and the wife and husband by the first marriages are now for some years deceased. Mrs. Farmer's first husband was John H. McRostie. They maintained a home in Canton.

Mrs. Farmer leaves her husband, her mother, Bertha E. Stiles, and a brother, Loren E. Stiles of Canton. Mrs. Anna Malterner, a sister of her mother, is an aunt and there are a number of cousins.

Mrs. Farmer was a member of Silas Wright Grange of Canton, the Order of the Eastern Star, the Universalist Church and the Board of the United Helpers Home, Ogdensburg.

Mrs. Farmer was a woman of exceeding charm and always found friends wherever she made her home.

Mrs. Farmer died of what is known of Hodgkin's Disease, a disease characterized by enlargement of the spleen and lymphatic glands, with progressive anemia, unassociated with the increase of colorless corpuscles of the blood.

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