

[Francis, Louise Simmons]

Grief For Mother Kills Woman; Sister Also Ill

Stricken while returning home from attending her mother's funeral, Mrs. Louise S. Francis, 38, wife of Irving H. Francis, both having been residents of Syracuse until moving to New York five years ago, died Tuesday at Syracuse General Hospital.

Her mother, Mrs. C. W. Simmons of Watertown, died four weeks ago. Mrs. Francis was returning to New York from the services in Watertown and was in Syracuse when she became ill.

Mrs. H. Follett Hodgkins of 732 W. Onondaga st., sister of Mrs. Francis is confined to her home under a physician's care. Her condition forbids all but relatives seeing her. Like her sister, Mrs. Hodgkins became ill after the death of Mrs. Simmons. The added grief over her sister's death led to heart trouble, members of the family said.

Mrs. Francis was born in Oswego, April 30, 1888. She came to Syracuse at an early age and received her education here, graduating from a local high school. Mr. Francis is a graduate of Syracuse University.

Following their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Francis made their home in Onondaga ave., later going to New York. Her husband is a traffic engineer for the New York Telephone Company.

While here Mrs. Francis was an active member of the Queens Daughters of the First Universalist Church. In New York she was affiliated with the Manhattan Study Club and the Verdi Club.

Surviving are her husband, her father, Charles W. Simmons of Watertown; a sister, Mrs. H. Follett Hodgkins of Syracuse, and a brother, Charles W. Simmons, Jr., of Easton, Pa.

Rev. Dr. Frederick W. Betts, pastor of the First Universalist Church, will officiate at funeral services to be conducted at the home of Mrs. Hodgkins, 732 W. Onondaga st., at 11 o'clock Thursday morning. The body will be taken to Utica for burial by W. A. Drinkwine, undertaker.

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