

## Marie W. Hodgkins

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**Hodgkins, Marie Wilkinson.** On Friday, September 19, 1947, at her residence, 1821 Kalorama rd. n.w., Marie Wilkinson Hodgkins, beloved wife of the late Dean Howard L. Hodgkins, mother of Howard W. Hodgkins of Winnetka Ill., and George W. Hodgkins of Washington, D.C., sister of George L. Wilkinson of Evanston, Ill. Remains resting at the Chambers' Funeral Home, 1400 Chapin st. n.w. Services at the First Baptist Church, 16th and O sts. N.w., on Monday, September 22, at 2 p.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

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### **Mrs. Hodgkins' Rites Set for Tomorrow; Clubwoman Was 80**

Funeral services for Mrs. Marie Wilkinson Hodgkins, 80 will be held at 2 p.m. tomorrow at the First Baptist Church, Sixteenth and O streets N.W. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery. She died Friday at her home, 1821 Kalorama road N.W., after three months' illness.

Mrs. Hodgkins was the widow of Dr. Howard L. Hodgkins, president of George Washington University from 1883 until his death in 1931.

She was active in the Columbia Women, a university organization, and was president of the board of lady managers of the university hospital.

### *School Board Member*

From 1921 to 1928 she was a member of the District Board of Education and in 1922 she served as vice president and acting president of the board.

She was a charter member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and served as District State Regent and in the national organization, as recording secretary general and vice president general. In 1935 she became honorary vice president general for life. She was in charge of the DAR's work for French war orphans in World War I, and was chairman of the National Insignia Committee from 1944 until 1947.

She was a founder of the State Officers' Club of the District DAR and was a member of the National Officers Club and Our Flag Chapter, the last of which was founded by her mother, Mrs. L.B. Wilkinson.

Mrs. Hodgkins also was a member of the National Society of Colonial Dames of America, State of Virginia, and the Washington Colonial Dames Club, the Daughters of 1812, the Order of First Families of Virginia, the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities, the Lords of the Manors of Maryland, the Huguenot Society of South Carolina, the Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America.

### *Belonged to Women's Club*

She also belonged to the Women's City Club, the P.E.O., the Daughters of the Barons of Runnymede, the Order of the Crown in America and the District Federation of Women's Clubs. She was past president of the last named organization.

Mrs. Hodgkins, born in Columbia, Mo., lived most of her life in Washington. Her father Dr. A. George Wilkinson, who died in 1922 was head of the Patent Office examining corps.

She leaves two sons, Col. Howard W. Hodgkins, Winnetka, Ill. and Dr. George W. Hodgkins of the Kalorama road address who is in charge of revising history courses for Washington schools; a brother, George L. Wilkinson, Evanston, Ill.; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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### **Pick Mrs. Hodgkins For School Board**

#### **Appointed Member by Court Justices to Succeed Mrs. Gerry**

Mrs. Marie W. Hodgkins of 1830 T street, and wife of Dean Howard L. Hodgkins of George Washington University, was appointed a member of the board of education this afternoon by the justices of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. Mrs. Hodgkins was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Margarita Spaulding Gerry, whose term expires June 30, 1922, and who recently resigned.

#### *Leader in Welfare Work*

For several years Mrs. Hodgkins has been one of the leaders in women's welfare and civic work in Washington.

She is president of the District Federation of Women's Clubs, to which office she was elected two years ago. She also served as secretary of the P.E.O. sorority, from which organization she was sent as delegate to the federation.

During the war Mrs. Hodgkins was in charge of relief work for French war orphans, supervising this specialized department of the Daughters of the American Revolution. In the latter organization she has been prominent for a number of years, serving terms as state regent and recording secretary general.

Her husband, Prof. Howard L. Hodgkins, is well known as an educator, at present being the dean of the engineering school of the department of arts and sciences at George Washington University.

Mrs. Hodgkins succeeds Mrs. Margarita Spaulding Gerry, who resigned last month.

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### **Mrs. Hodgkins Dies; Honored DAR Official**

Mrs. Marie Wilkinson Hodgkins, 80, educator and charter member of the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, and its honorary vice president general, died yesterday at her home here after an illness of three months.

A leader in many fields, Mrs. Hodgkins was a member of the District Board of Education from 1921 to 1928. Born in Columbia, Mo., where her father, the late Dr. A. George Wilkinson, had been president of the University of Missouri, she came here as a child and spent her life in Washington.

Mrs. Hodgkins received her education in private schools and was graduated from Mount Vernon Seminary. Her husband, the late Howard L. Hodgkins was professor, dean and president of the George Washington University.

At the time of her death she ranked every other member of the DAR for length of membership and had served in a number of chapter, State and national offices. She made her home at 1821 Kalorama rd. nw.

She also was active in a long list of other patriotic societies and women's clubs and was a former president of the D.C. Federation of Women's Clubs.

Mrs. Hodgkins was a member of the First Baptist Church, 16th and Q sts. nw., most of her life. She also served on the board of lady managers of George Washington University Hospital.

Among other societies in which she held high office at one time or another are:

First Families of Virginia, Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities, Order of the Crown in America, Daughters of the Barons of Runnymede, Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America, United States Daughters of 1812, and the National Society of Colonial Dames of America.

She is survived by two sons, Dr. George W. Hodgkins, of the Kalorama rd address, and Col. Howard W. Hodgkins of Winnetka, Ill. Other survivors include a brother, George L. Wilkinson of Evanston, Ill.

Funeral services will be held Monday at First Baptist Church, with interment in Congressional Cemetery.