

## **MRS. R. C. THOMPSON OF ROCKEFELLER UNIT**

Mrs. Norma Stoughton' Thompson, secretary of the Rockefeller Foundation from 1925 to 1947, died Thursday in her home, 444 East Fifty-second Street, after a long illness. She was 64 years old.

A quietly efficient woman who received virtually no publicity, Mrs. Thompson in her twenty-two years as secretary of the philanthropic institution coordinated the agenda for foundation staff and trustee meetings and was said to have been instrumental in keeping the structure of the organization on an even keel.

She worked closely with Raymond B. Fosdick, when he was president of the foundation, on his annual reports of the foundation's world-wide activities and on other matters. Although she was not a policy-maker, Mrs. Thompson's work had much to do with the successful carrying out of policies.

Descended from Thomas Stoughton, who settled in Connecticut in 1640, she was born in South Windsor, Conn. Mrs. Thompson had been with the Pine Mountain Settlement School, Pine Mountain, Ky., and Berea (Ky.) College before she joined the foundation as assistant secretary in 1918. She retired in 1947.

Surviving are her husband, Richard Caldwell Thompson, manager of the export division of the Electric Auto-Lite Company; a brother, Edgar G. Stoughton of Wapping, Conn., and a sister, Mrs. Ernestine Baldwin of Hartford, Conn.