

## **Alois L. Wyss**

**Oct. 14, 1881 - December 25, 1945**

### **A. L. Wyss, Aged 64, Succumbs; Rites Held Thursday P.M. Local Hotel Proprietor is Called Tuesday After Long Illness**

Alois L. Wyss, 64 years of age, well known Monticello resident and proprietor of the Grand Central hotel here for the past 25 years, passed away at 2 o'clock Christmas morning in his home following an illness of several months' duration.

Mr. Wyss had been in failing health for the past year or more and his condition was critical for a week or two before his death.

### **Native of Switzerland**

Alois L. Wyss was a native of Switzerland, having been born at Chan(?), Oct. 14, 1881, the son off Peter and Verena Bieri Wyss. He acquired his education in Switzerland and came to America in 1908, settling first in Monroe. He was united in marriage to Sophia Bonnetti June 30, 1909, the ceremony taking place in New Jersey. Mr. Wyss was a machinist by trade and was employed in Milwaukee and Beloit industrial plants for a term of years. Mr. and Mrs. Wyss farmed near Fennimore for a short time and came to Monticello Oct. 20, 1920, having purchased the Grand Central hotel from the late Mrs. Samuel Amstutz.

The death of Mr. Wyss has removed from our midst a close friend of young and old alike. A target for innumerable jokes and jousts from his many acquaintances, Louie, as he was familiarly referred to by his friends, took them in his stride and usually retaliated with equal if not superior fervor. He was always deeply interested in outdoor life and spent much of his spare time hunting and fishing up to the time when his health would not permit participation in such activities.

Mr. Wyss was a member of the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church, Monticello. He was also a member of the German Beneficial Union lodge, Milwaukee.

Surviving are the widow; one son, Louis, who was just recently discharged from the army after serving nearly three years in Australia, two daughters, Mrs. Gertrude Burgy and Mrs. Reginald Duerst, Monticello; one grandchild; and one brother, Peter, Zurich, Switzerland.

### **Funeral Thursday**

Funeral services will be held at 2 this (Thursday) afternoon in the Voegeli funeral home, The Rev. A. R. Achtemeier, pastor of the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church, will officiate. Burial will be in Highland cemetery.