

## **Esis Arthur Bontly**

**February 20, 1893 – March 1916**

**DIES AT HOME IN MADISON**

### **Remains of Esis Bontly Brought Here For Interment Yesterday**

Many friends in this vicinity were deeply grieved to learn of the death of Esis Bontly, second son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Bontly, which occurred at the family residence, 222 North Bassett street, Madison, at 9 o'clock last Saturday afternoon. While it had been known that his health had been rather poorly for some little time, very few were aware that his condition was at all serious and hence were unprepared for the unwelcome news of his death.

Esis Arthur Bontly was born at New Glarus, Wis., on February 20, 1893. Shortly thereafter the family moved to Monticello and for a number of years continued to make their home here. He received his early education in the local schools. The family moved to Madison when he was sixteen years and there he attended the Madison high school, graduating with honors from that institution. Following his graduation from the Madison high school, he decided to take up dentistry, spending two years at the Vanderbilt university, Nashville, Tenn. Because of failing health he obliged to give up his studies, temporarily, and return to his home in Madison. He was apparently regaining his health and was getting along nicely up to January of this year when he was stricken with a severe attack of la grippe. This brought on complications which proved unyielding to medical treatment, and from then on he failed gradually until the end. He reached the age of 23 years and 19 days.

Esis was an exceptionally bright and ambitious young man whose character and habits were most commendable. He had labored hard and faithfully in preparing himself for his chosen profession and his friends most sincerely regret that he should be called from the scenes of earth just as he was about to enter upon a career of usefulness. Much sympathy is expressed for the sorrowing relatives in their sad affliction.

The remains were brought here for interment on the 4 o'clock train Tuesday afternoon, services being held at the German Reformed church immediately following the arrival of the funeral party. Rev. Muehlmeier went to Madison to conduct brief services at the house, and was also in charge of the services here. The church was well filled by sympathizing relatives and friends of the family.

*(Monument has his name as Isa A. Bontly, in old Monticello cemetery)*