

Fred H. Stauffacher
Aug. 5, 1900—April 24, 1944
Fred Stauffacher Succumbs at 43
Was Well Known County Farmer

Fred H. Stauffacher, 43, route 2, Monticello, closely identified with progressive farming in Green county, died at 4 Monday afternoon in the Methodist hospital, Madison, after a lingering illness. Mr. Stauffacher had been hospitalized for a brief time in January, returning to the Madison institution two weeks ago.

With his brother, Conrad, Mr. Stauffacher operated the farm known as the Stauffacher brothers' farm, three miles north of Monticello in New Glarus township. The farm, of over 600 acres, was noted for the excellence of its crops and for the heavy milk production of its Holstein herds.

Always abreast of the times, the Stauffachers were the first farmers in Green county to try out strip-cropping and contour farming. In the last few years, a third brother, Dick, with the soil conservation service at Baraboo, had been associated with them in management of the farm although not actively engaged in farming.

Was Widely Known

Personally popular with neighbors in a wide radius as well as with townspeople in nearby communities, Mr. Stauffacher took deep interest in church, lodge and civic affairs. He was a member of the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church and since 1932 had been secretary of the Mt. Pleasant Mutual Insurance company. Especially active in the Masonic lodge, he was a past worshipful master of the Monticello Union lodge, member of the Monticello chapter, Easter Star, of the Masonic chapter in New Glarus, of the Monroe Commandery and the Madison consistory.

He was born Aug. 5, 1900, in New Glarus township, the son of Conrad and Marie Elmer Stauffacher. He attended Voegeli rural school and was graduated from the Monticello high school. On Oct. 20, 1921, he married Anna Amstutz in Monticello, and they had always lived on the present farm.

Surviving are the widow; three brothers, Conrad and Werner, Monticello, and Dick, Baraboo; two sisters, Mrs. Henry E. Babler, Monticello, and Mrs. J. U. Freitag, New Glarus. His parents, two brothers, John and Henry, and two sisters, Mrs. Ed. Hefty, and 1937, and Selina, an infant, are deceased.

The body will be taken from the Voegeli funeral home to the Zwingli church at noon Thursday to lie in state until the last rites, to be conducted at 2 that afternoon in the church by Rev. A. R. Achtemeier, pastor. Burial will be in Highland cemetery.