He won international recognition for his contribution in gastrointestinal surgery. An intestinal suture learned from his father and later modified by him bears his name, and is still being used today by surgeons.

He was born in Wauwatosa on Jan. 12, 1875, and attended University of Wisconsin, graduating from Rush Medical School in 1896. He interned at Alexian Brothers Hospital, Chicago, in 1897, and from 1898-1901 was associate professor of surgery at University of Illinois.

Dr. Connell came to Oshkosh to practice in 1906 after five years as attending surgeon at Leadville and Salida, Colo.

In 1948, he was honored as a 50-year member of the Wisconsin Medical Society, and in the same year was recognized by Theda-Clark Hospital, Neenah, where he had been a consulting surgeon since its beginning. He was attending surgeon at St. Mary's and Mercy Hospitals and consulting surgeon to Winnebago State Hospital for many years.

In addition to other recognitions, Dr. Connell was a member of the Western Surgical Society, International College of Surgeons and Gastroenterology Society.

His wife, the former Isabella Stickney, preceded him in death about 1946. Surviving are one son, attorney Charles Connell, Chicago; one daughter, Dr. Jane Card, San Francisco; six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Arrangements for services will be announced later by Fiss & Bills Funeral Home. A memorial has been established, to which friends may contribute.