

Attorney Dies, 4 Kin Injured in Car Collision

Fred K. Gage, 49, Minneapolis attorney and former state senator, was killed Sunday in an automobile accident on highway 169 five miles south of Belle Plaine, Minn.



Gage

His wife, Vivian, also 49, was critically injured. A son, James, 13; a daughter, Mrs. Earl Campbell, 19, and the latter's month-old son, Stephen, suffered serious injuries.

Mrs. Gage is in Northwestern hospital with a spinal injury. James suffered a chest injury and is in a St. Peter, Minn., hospital as is Mrs. Campbell. She suffered a broken leg and her baby's skull was fractured, physicians said.

Gage's car and one driven by Daniel Blanchard, 57, 4346 Fortieth avenue S., collided head-on during a rainfall. Blanchard, of the Blanchard Printing Co., 305 S. Fifth street, is in Northwestern hospital in fair condition with head cuts.

Patrolmen said a passenger in Blanchard's car, listed as J. C. Gonia, apparently escaped with minor injuries.

Gage, 2000 Penn avenue S., and others in his car had been at St. Peter visiting with a son who is a student at Gustavus Adolphus college there.

Gage served in the state senate from Renville county from 1938 to 1946. He was in the navy in World War II and was a member of the American Legion.

He was an unsuccessful candidate for the office of Hennepin county attorney in 1950. He also was a candidate for alderman of the second ward in Minneapolis in 1947.