Lawrence L. Hagemann

(- 10 Jan 1928)

Hagemann. Suddenly on Tuesday, January 10, 1928 at 10:30 p.m., Lawrence L. Hagemann, beloved husband of Edna B. Hagemann (nee Lysdanne) and son of the late William Hagemann and Naomi Hagemann Swann. Funeral from his late residence, 1235 C street s.e. on Friday, January 13 at 3 p.m. Interment in Congressional Cemetery. Friends and relatives invited.

The Evening Star, January 11, 1928, p. 7 Hagemann Death Held Accidental Coroner's Jury Clears Firemen in Fatal Crash While Answering Alarm



LAWRENCE HAGEMANN,

A coroner's jury today investigated the death of Lawrence Hagemann, 1235 C street southeast, who was fatally injured last night when his automobile was wrecked by a Fire Department automobile responding to a false alarm, and a verdict of accidental death was returned. Hagemann's car was struck broadside by the automobile of Battalion Chief Ernest Howard as the two machines met at the intersection of Eleventh and B streets southeast. Hagemann was dead when picked up from the parking space, where he had been hurled by the force of the collision.

Chief Howard and Private J.A. Sartain of No. 8 Engine Company, driver of the chief's car, were summoned as principal witnesses at the inquest, which began shortly before noon at the morgue.

Chief Howard was at the quarters of No. 8 Engine Company when an alarm came in from a box located at Twelfth and D streets southeast, and he soon was speeding in the direction of the box, Sartain having the siren on the vehicle open.

Hagemann, driving south on Eleventh street, probably did not heed the

noise of the sire, police reporting that his car continued until it got directly in the path of the speeding apparatus of the Fire Department. His machine was struck squarely, Sartain being unable to swerve the vehicle from the path of the Hagemann car in time to prevent the accident.

Crashed Through Fence

It was reported that the Hagemann car made several turns before it crashed through an iron fence and landed in the parking space in front of 200 Eleventh street southeast. Hagemann's back was broken and he was otherwise injured. His body was taken to Casualty Hospital in a passing machine, where Dr. Joseph D. Rogers pronounced life extinct.

Chief Howard and the driver were thrown from the seat. The former was not hurt and Sartain escaped with a few minor scratches.

Hagemann, 29 years old, a mechanic in the employ of the Pullman Co., was in charge of the work of looking after the company's cars in the yards of the Washington Terminal Co. He was born in this city, and is survived by his wife and 4-year-old daughter.