

FIRST TRUCK SUIT BY BABY

The four day old daughter of a victim of the runaway truck which killed seven people will be the first to file suit against operators of the truck according to a petition filed yesterday in superior court here.

The petition, filed in the name of Jo Ann Chew, asks that her mother, Mrs. Look Yuen Lin Chew of 605 Jackson Street, be appointed legal guardian of the infant so that a \$250,000 damage suit may be filed against nine defendants.

Mrs. Chew is the widow of Sho Ng Chew, 35 year old operator of a herb firm, who was killed when the moving van hurtled down Clay Street from atop Nob Hill almost to Kearny Street, where it crashed in flames.

The defendants were listed as Aero Mayflower Transit Company, California Mayflower Company, Merrill's Van and Storage Company, Merrill's Mayflower Company, executors of the estate of the dead truck driver, William McCandless, and four John Doe corporations.

Attorney Bruce Walkup, who filed the petition, explained there must be a definite court ruling appointing the mother legal guardian of the child because California law forbids filing of suits directly in the name of a minor.

At present, the mother and child are patients at Chinese Hospital.
