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Trainmen Hurt In Wreck Near Croton

(The Columbus Dispatch, May 6, 1949) James E. Carson, 66, New York Central Railroad engineer, was in "fair" condition in Grant Hospital Friday with injuries suffered Thursday afternoon when a 92-car, Diesel-powered freight train rammed the rear of a local freight at Croton.

Treated at the same hospital were Carson's son, James W. R. Carson, 35, cuts and bruises, and D.E. Rickley, 20, of New Lexington, scalp lacerations.

The elder Mr. Carson and his son reside in Bucyrus. The son was fireman on the train, Rickley the head brakeman. Railroad spokesmen said the elder Carson and Rickley jumped, but the younger Carson stayed with the train.

Four cars behind the Diesel unit were derailed. The caboose of the train struck was demolished and one car derailed.