

(START FILM) GEORGIA TRUCK DRIVER JAMES LASTIN HAD AN ACCIDENT
IN
TODAY, THE TYPE ~~OK~~ WHICH VERY FEW PEOPLE ESCAPE
(SHOW FILM) DEATH.

THE LOADED TRACTOR TRAILER DRIVEN BY LASTIN
HAD ALMOST CLEARED X A GRADE CROSSING AT HOLBROOK
AVENUE IN DANVILLE THIS MORNING...BUT NOT QUITE.
WESTBOUND SOUTHERN RAILWAY TRAIN NUMBER 103
PLOWED INTO THE TRAILER PORTION OF THE RIG, SLICING
IN IN HALF. THE IMPACT TOSSED THE REAR SECTION
OF THE TRAILER 100 FEET DOWN THE TRACK, AND THREW
LASTIN FROM THE CAB. LASTIN WAS TREATED FOR
BRUISES AT DANVILLE HOSPITAL AND RELEASED. THE
TRAIN'S ENGINEER, JAMES MARTIN OF DANVILLE, SAID
HE SAW THE TRUCK APPROACH THE CROSSING, APPEAR
TO PAUSE, THEN MOVE ONTO THE XX TRACKS.

(BACK)