

## Cash Johnny

### "Wreck Of The Ol' '97"

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( Shapiro Bernstein and Co)

From "At San Quentin (Live)", 1969, CBS Records.

Well they gave him his orders at Monroe, Virginia,  
Said: "Steve, you're way behind time,  
"This is not 38, this is Ol' 97,  
"Put her into Spencer on time."

Then he turned around and said to his black, greasy  
fireman,  
"Shovel on a little more coal.  
"And when we cross that White Oak mountain,  
"Watch Ol' '97 roll."

And then a telegram come from Washington station,  
This is how it read:  
"Oh that brave engineer that run ol 97,  
"Is lyin in old Danville dead."

'Cos he was going down a grade making 90 miles an  
hour,  
The whistle broke into a scream.  
He was found in the wreck with his hand on the throttle,  
Scalded to death by the steam.

One more time!

Oh, now all you ladies you'd better take a warning,  
From this time on and learn.  
Never speak hard words to your true-lovin' husband.  
He may leave you and never return. Poor Boy.

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