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The ballad of Casey Jones passed into history yesterday with the death of the last survivor aboard the fateful trip in 1900 when Casey highballed his train to make up time and ran into a freight train. Casey was killed but his fireman jumped from the engine cab.

William Henry Crittenden, 81, had been in the express car of the train right behind the engine and tender on the night the ballad was born.

CHARLOTTE — James B. Tucker, 57, of Benton Township died of a heart ailment last night at St. Lawrence Hospital in Lansing. He was born March 14, 1902, at Concord, the son of James and Aimee (Barker) Tucker. He had been a resident of Benton Township for the past 10 years. Mr. Tucker was a retired seed salesman. He was married Feb. 20, 1932, in Angola, Ind., to Hildred Fremody. Besides his wife, he is survived by a step-son, Edgar Fremody, and a daughter, Mrs. Maynard (Martha Dawn) Hartel, both of Charlotte, and four grandsons.

NASHVILLE—Funeral services will be held here Tuesday at 2 p.m. from the Vogt Funeral Home for Miss Elsie Lillian Joppie, 49, of Grand Rapids, a former resident of who was killed Friday in an automobile accident near Holland in Allegan County.

Miss Joppie, who was a night telephone operator for Michigan Bell Telephone Co. for 15 years, was born in Nashville the daughter of Martin M. and Ina Streeter Joppie. Her parents now living in Vermontville, survive her, as do two sisters, Mrs. Velma McElvaine of Nashville and Mrs. Eva Moser of Battle Creek; and four brothers, Kenneth of Muskegon, Clayton of Marshall, Vance of Ionia, and Leroy of Wayland.

Mrs. Alice L. Brodbeck of R. 3, Lake Odessa, well-known private music instructor in this area, passed away in her home on M-50 following a long illness on Christmas Day. She was 49 years of age.

She was born in Woodland township, Barry county, the daughter of Frank and Bertha Smith. Mrs. Brodbeck was a graduate of Woodland High school. A graduate of Michigan State university in 1938, she was a member of the Matinee Musicale, Michigan Music Circle and the National Music Teachers association.

Mrs. Brodbeck taught for several years at the Kleos Music Conservatory in Lansing.

She gave lessons in piano and organ at her studio in her home.

She was a member of Woodland Zion Lutheran Church since childhood.

She was listed in the 1958 edition of Who's Who Among American Women.