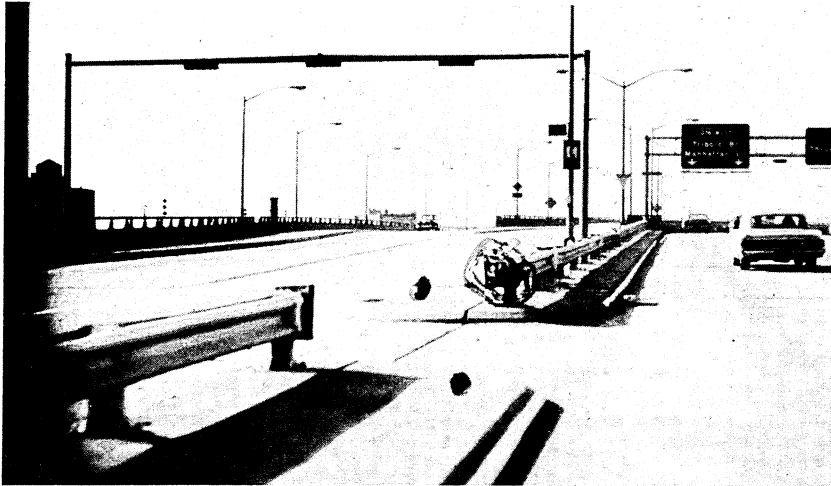


This is an urgent matter. I think we have to live up to our responsibility; go back to all these guardrails and bridge railings and fix them up so they can hold vehicles traveling these Interstate highways.

Mr. BLATNIK. In these recent pictures you have shown, was the bridge railing aluminum, as well as the guardrails?

Mr. LINKO. Yes, they were using aluminum bridge railings and they were using aluminum guard railings, aluminum W-rails. You can see they do not hold back cars.

The timing is important. In most of the places where you have a bridge, there is another road underneath it. With proper timing—it could be a gasoline truck or bus full of children—you can have a disaster.



This points out improper installation of guardrails and anyone riding along this guardrail will smack headon into that other section. I feel that if you just reverse this guardrail where you see the dots, then it would be impossible to hit either end of the guardrail as is now possible. This is dangerous.

