

Of the light poles that I was able to identify, where I was able to say that light pole number so-and-so was hit at such a location, I was able to identify 15 as being struck at Interchange No. 17 from November of 1965 to February of this year.

I would like to add one other thing. In reviewing the accident records, and in discussing light poles in particular, I found that, of the 2,186 light poles on the beltway, many of these are on the roads which cross over or pass under the beltway; and, as such, accidents involving these light poles would be reported on that road and not on the beltway itself.

This is an artist's drawing of Interchange No. 17 on the beltway. This is the area where I found many of the light poles which had been struck. This is 495 going north, and turning east toward Bethesda and down in this lower left area is Bradley Boulevard. This road extending to the top is Interstate 270 as you head toward Rockville or Frederick, Md., this bottom lane being the eastbound lane to 495 and the top lane is the westbound lane.

This is Greentree Road crossing over the beltway. This area I will cover in some detail in the next several slides, but in this slide here these dots which are alongside the black line are light poles which are mounted approximately 2 feet from the edge of the shoulder.

The dark line would indicate the lanes of travel. You notice this light pole in here in what we described before as the gore area was hit in December of 1965, and again on October 14, 1966.

It was hit twice in that gore area. Going slightly around the curve, here is another light pole, No. 7, which was hit three times last year, and incidentally, between October 25 and November 9, the pole was hit in this particular location, and while it was being repaired, it was struck again before the repairs were completed.

So you have two accidents in that location within a relatively short period of time.

