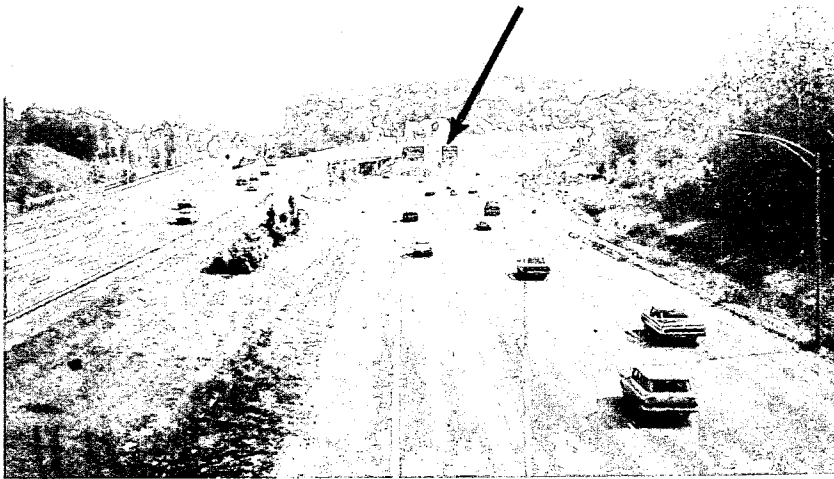


We are now approaching that gore area. I am standing on Bradley Boulevard. There are a number of things I would like to point out here. First of all it is a four-lane highway, northbound. This is 1,050 feet, roughly, from where we are to where the two roads divide at the gore.

I noticed, in talking to the police and standing out here making observations, that there were a number of vehicles which ran across this area in here which we call a gore area. This photograph was taken last Friday morning. I have a number of these, but this gentleman up in the gore just below the arrow was traveling in the fast lane of 495. He suddenly realized he wanted to be over here on the right. He had to make his move against this vehicle to his right and against these vehicles over in the other lanes. He narrowly missed the light pole, which is in that gore area which I showed in the last photograph.

He got by the light pole. In this area, in this northbound lane, there were 16 accidents and 13 people injured in 1966. Six were single-vehicle accidents, where the vehicle ran off the road and struck a fixed object.

Now, that is within 1,050 feet. In order to familiarize you more with this area, I am going to backtrack another 1,000 or 800 feet from Bradley Boulevard toward River Road.



This photograph shows a bridge sign which is over 495. At this point 495 is a four-lane roadway with a 12-foot shoulder and a 60-mile-per-hour speed limit. Just before this area there is a sign off the shoulder which advises that Interchange No. 17 is 1 mile ahead. It says "Junction 270 to 70S North 1 Mile"—this then is the next sign you see, approximately 1,700 to 1,800 feet from the interchange gore. This sign says, "Rockville-Frederick"; it has two arrows. This sign says, "Baltimore-Bethesda," and has two arrows. Again the speed limit in this area is 60 miles an hour.