

ABOVE IS THE AERIAL TRAMWAY PASSENGER-CAR LYING ON THE GROUND WHERE IT FELL AFTER BEING DERAILED FROM THE CABLE SOME 90 FEET ABOVE. THE ACCIDENT OCCURRED AT THE VALLEY STATION.

(N.H. RECREATION DIV. PHOTO.)

Victim Is On Danger List

A Franconia youth hovers between life and death at the Mary Hitchcock Memorial hospital in Hanover as the result of injuries received in an accident on the Cannon Mt. Aerial Tramway in Franconia Notch Tuesday morning. Hospital authorities reported this morning that Ronald C. Broderick, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Broderick, sustained a fractured skull, fractures of the left arm and left leg, and other injuries when the tramway car in which he was riding was derailed and fell some 90 feet to the ground. His name is on the danger list.

This was the first accident to occur on the tramway since it was opened in 1938 and the first serious injury—a remarkable record considering the famous ride has carried nearly 4 million passengers in its 25-year history.

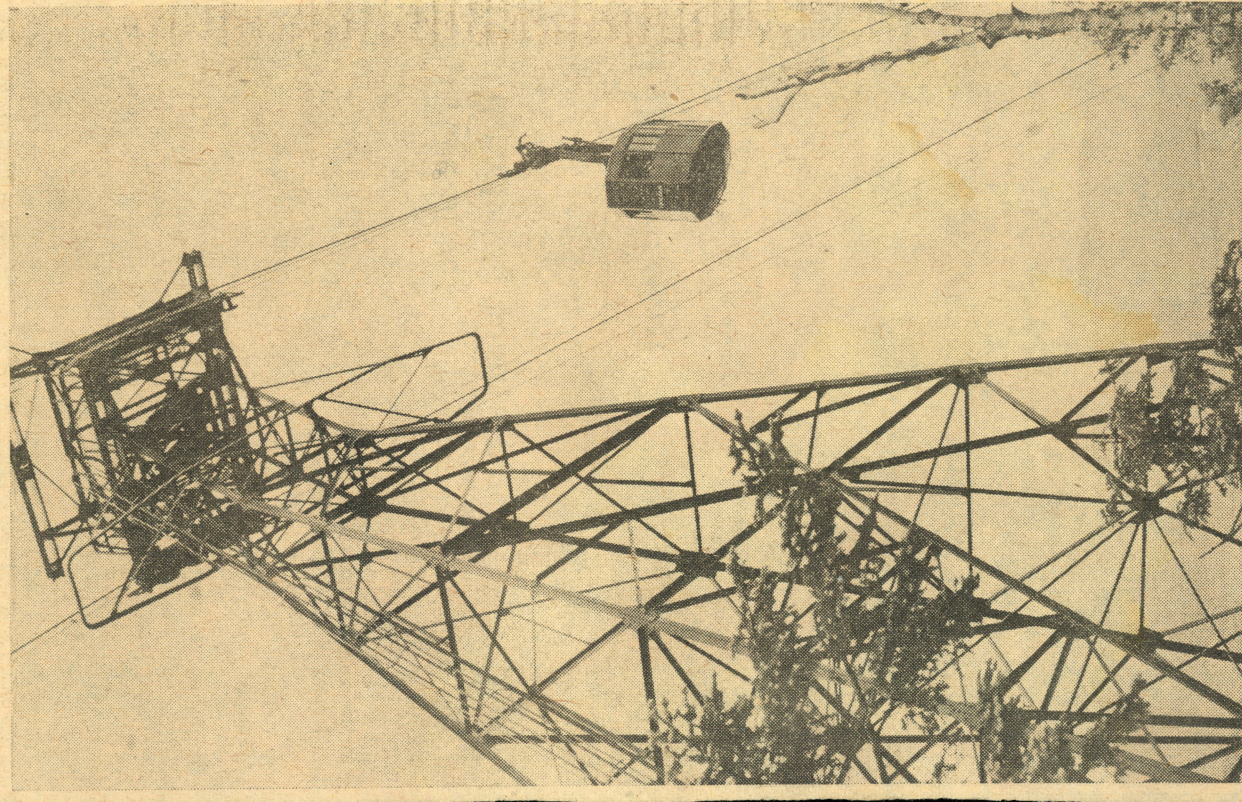
Official Investigation

Philip Robertson, chairman of the Tramway Safety Board, is heading the Lafayette car, with two ski patrolmen, a conductor and an aerial lift mechanic aboard, left the Valley Station for the daily inspection trip of the entire length of the tram.

At the first tower, No. 26 so-called because it is 2,600 feet out from the

Broderick was conductor on the

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ABOVE PHOTO SHOWS TOWER NO. 26, THE FIRST ON THE UP-MOUNTAIN RIDE OF THE AERIAL TRAMWAY. TUESDAY'S TRAGIC ACCIDENT OCCURRED AS A CAR TRAVELING DOWNWARD WAS DERAILED JUST AS IT REACHED THIS TOWER.