The dark shadow of Chappaquiddick continues to haunt Sen. Edward M. Kennedy. The parents of Mary Jo Kopechne say they are so sure that their daughter cannot accept Kennedy’s version of their daughter’s death. Kennedy, who recently has been observed in the steady company of a shapely blonde, identified as Peg Lee Hofty, contends the death of Miss Kopechne was accidental. However, several eye witnesses to events surrounding her death say Kennedy’s story cannot be supported by the facts.

Black U.S. Representatives, who denied requests to participate in a “White Supremacist” rally, have drawn the attention of white conservatives. The white critics contend liberals apply a “double standard” to racial issues in the country.

“If white Congressmen have denied an invitation to participate in a White Supremacist rally, the black Congressmen, the white media would have branded them as ‘bigot’ and ‘racists,'” one critic complained. “We have white and black citizens, I’m known by my colleagues. For just what it is—a huge propaganda machine of the liberal elite.”

Wallace supporters say that “get tough with criminals” speeches such as that recently delivered by President Ford, are “too little, too late.” The one suddenly is ready to start cracking down on criminals—but why did it take them so long?” a Midwest Wallace supporter asked rhetorically.

The leading left-wing liberal, Justice William O. Douglas, on the U.S. Supreme Court, has been particularly forced to resign,” according to a Los Angeles Times report carried nationwide on June 13. The paper said Douglas and justices are worried that Justice Douglas, who suffered a stroke more than five weeks ago, can no longer perform his duties properly, and there are questions about his mental condition, according to the Times report.

Prof. James S. Coleman, author of the “Coleman Report” in 1966, which has been cited widely to justify school integration plans and is still frequently cited by courts when they hand down segregation orders, says the Federal courts have gone too far.


Douglas, 76 years old, suffered a stroke Dec. 31, 1974, that immobilized the entire left side of his body, and he still cannot walk. There are indications that Douglas probably will never recover completely from the stroke, the Times said. In addition, Douglas has a heart pacemaker, which is ‘getting pretty old’ and may have to be replaced.

During Douglas’s absence, his secretaries and clerks fly to New York several times a week to bring his court documents to read while he remains in the Institute of Rehabilitation Medicine of New York University. Because of his demanding therapy schedule, Douglas has little time to read drafts or to confer with his colleagues, the Times said.

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Racial Job Quotas Ordered for St. Louis Fire Fighters

United States District Judge John F. Nangle of St. Louis, Mo., on June 16 ordered the City of St. Louis to hire black firefighters on a one for one basis to make up the Negro firemen’s shortage in the city’s work force.

The order is the result of a lawsuit filed by the U.S. Dept. of Justice against the City of St. Louis on March 18, 1975. This lawsuit de- manding the hiring of three blacks for each white until the “racial balance” of the department approximates that of the city.

Douglas’s contributions have been both infrequent and brief. Two paragraphs of discussion and a single paragraph of concurrence, single sentences noting only that “Mr. Justice Douglas dissents from the views expressed by the majority.”

For two weeks this spring, between late March and late April, nothing was said, the Times article said.

The dissenting justices have good-naturedly tolerated the “rational malevolence” of the majority’s decision, In large part because it is a majority that they have not abjured.

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