SEChronicle Magazine Says Justice Douglas May Not Walk

New York

Time magazine reported yesterday that physicians attending ailing Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas "now think it possible" that he will never walk again.

Douglas suffered some paralysis of the left side when he had a stroke on New Year's Eve, and time said it has learned that his left leg "shows few signs of response" to treatment.

In addition, his left arm, atlhough it has "responded somewhat" to therapy, "is still not usable:"

The magazine said the stroke did not affect the 76-year-old Justices intellect and that his vision, which was temporarily impaired, now is back to normal. It said he has been able to work one to three hours a day for the past two weeks on cases that were heard before he was hospitalized and on routine new work.

United Press