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TED TAKES ROLE AS DEMO LEADER

Washington - On Capitol Hill at least, Sen. Ted Kennedy ~~has~~ quietly has overcome the Mary Jo Kopechne case. He has resumed his role as leader of the Senate's liberal Democrats, directing floor debates, speaking out on issues and masterminding backstage strategy.

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Thus, on the eve of the 1970 congressional campaign, the Republican White House and Democratic Congress are bracing for a political battle. The rival strategists, it now appears, are going to be President Nixon and Sen. Kennedy.

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