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Mrs. Kopechne Says Kennedy Told the Truth

Mrs. Joseph Kopechne, mother of the girl killed in an auto accident with Senator Edward M. Kennedy, said yesterday that the conclusion of Judge James A. Boyle that Mr. Kennedy had not told the whole truth left "a bad taste in our mouths, and we absolutely reject it." Judge Boyle presided at the inquest.

According to United Press International, Mrs. Kopechne, in a copyright article in the current issue of McCall's magazine, also rejected the idea that there was any romance between the Senator and her daughter, Mary Jo. Mrs. Kopechne said Mary Jo "had found the man she wanted to marry."

She also said she believed Senator Kennedy had done all he could to save her daughter's life, but criticized two Kennedy aides—Joseph Gargan and Paul Markham—for not reporting the accident immediately, thereby "inviting all kinds of awful speculation."