amily Burdens That Keep Ted Back

By Vera Glaser

he did again last week. of the 1976 Presidential race, as refers to when ruling himself out burden Senator Edward Kennedy cent brush with the law for reckless driving is part of the family Young David Kennedy's re-

stock, Va. A court clerk there between \$88 and \$188. expects the youth to settle by mail, paying a fine somewhere tenber 26 of his hearing in Woodsecured a postponement to Septhe late Robert Kennedy, has David, the 20-year-old son of

and failing to carry his license miles an hour in a 55-mile zone David's offense: Driving 92

whom suffers from a rare form of cancer, and his wife, Joan, who own three youngsters, one of other children of his late brothers, has spent time at clinics special-Jack and Robert. Add to that his Senator Kennedy has consci-entiously taken on the responsibility of riding herd on David and 12 and car registration.



less driving maimed a woman for life Joseph Kennedy III's reck-

offense of Robert Kennedy Jr., the Kennedy "escapades" all involve automobiles, a recurring Aside from a 1971 marijuana

reminder of Chappaquiddick, the senator's roughest political prob-

accident involving Robert Jr.'s brother, Joséph, resulted in a girl's being paralyzed for life. Another, more serious, auto

Joan Kennedy pleaded guilty to six months. driving while intoxicated, paid a \$200 fine and lost her license for lems are not limited to the young-But the Kennedy auto prob-Last October, for example,

quickly because she was "trying widow, Ethel, was charged with driving 90 miles an hour in New to make a race." trooper to fill out the ticket Hampshire. She asked the state And early this year Robert's

The most tragic Kennedy car accident since Chappaquiddick seph III, now a student at Harclan, Ethel's 22-year-old son, Joinvolves the crown prince of the

has put "Little Joe" to work on cal natural" by the senator, who nephew has been tagged "a politi-Ted's rugged, 6-foot, blond

> the campaign trail and showed him off, in impeccable dinner clothes, at a gala Democratic fund-raiser.

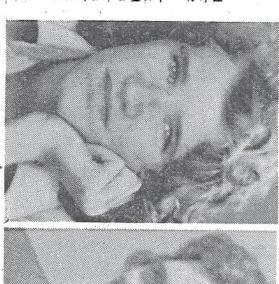
and was recently awarded a setla Kelley, now 20, suffered a fractured spine, is permanently tlement of about \$1 million. paralyzed from the chest down and two young women. He was Island, injuring his brother David ined \$100. One of the girls, Pame-Two years ago Joe over-Nantucket

\$140,000. And, according to a until recently.) source close to them, they are irked. (The figure was top secret was a comparatively modest daughter Mary Jo died in Ted Kennedy's car at Chappaquiddick Kopechne received after their The sum Mr. and Mrs. Joseph

\$90,000 of the Kopechne settlerevealed that he personally paid Senator Kennedy has now

exhaustive series on Chappaquid-dick, concluded that Kennedy had enabled him to avoid manslaugh that "inept" law enforcement had been given "VIP treatment" and The Boston Globe, after an

Attorneys for the insurance





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involved in the larger Kelley set-tlement insist that no Kennedy money was included.

of the Kopechnes' lawyer, Joseph F. Flanagan of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., pechnes. Flanagan was left high and dry with the falsehood when Ted had paid nothing to the Kowho maintained repeatedly that Their denials resemble those

Fennedy finally owned up to the

injured by others' negligence awards - some in the multirent trend toward ever-larger short-changed, in light of a curreason to regard themselves as misconduct. million dollar range - to people The Kopechnes may have