

Sirs:

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In watching C-Span Sunday evening,
your talk on Health Care for Americans,
you all talk about Businessmen,
Small and Large, all to be Covered
By health insurance, etc,

this all sounds good, But
I would like to know what it
will mean for me, and many
Americans like me,

I am 72 years old, male, I spent
some time in the Army in 1945
now I find myself in the
following Position.

My wife is 50 years old, and lost
one of her Kidneys, when she was
about 20, she is disabled because
of Nerves, High Blood Pressure,
High Cholesterol (297), Kidney & liver
Problems, High Glucose, Arthritis,
Thyroid - etc

Everyone says she doesn't qualify
for Medicaid, so.

Her Blue Cross (for her alone) in 1989
was 89.00 dollars every 3 months,
100 dollars deductible, But then

it went to \$184.59 Per month with a \$200.00 deductible, then it went to \$234.02 Per month with a \$750.00 Deductible, and had a out of the Pocket limit of \$5000.00 maximum that I would Pay.

then it went to \$350.00 a month with the Same Deductible as above.

But I cant afford it, so I had to settle for the \$184.59 per month with \$750.00 Deductible, But there is no limit out of my out of the Pocket expense, I am responsible for a straight 20% of any total Bill

Her Bill for medication each month is around \$150.00 Per month, every one says we dont qualify for any kind of aid. ???

Now - My Case, I, like many thousands of Soldiers, served, But were Unlucky and have no service Connected injuries, I have a, ruptured Disc in my lower

spine, that has some nerves trapped going to my right leg, which I have to use a cane, for safety. I have High Blood Pressure, thyroid Problems Gout in Both toes and Joints, Heart murmur, Rectum Problems, Diviculites of my Bowel Bladder. And others so now they are trying to do to me, (Like thousands of others) take us from the medical Care system of the VA, medical Center, so if all this happens, my & my wives, medical expense will, and does, run into the 5 or 6 thousand medical expense.

my total income is \$1000.00 Per Month
 My Wife receives "0" " "
 Now how would any one of you all, in Washington like to receive about \$12,000 per year And pay all your Bills, taxes, Home, clothes, food, etc.

I am almost forced to drop all medical Ins. on my wife, either that, or just eating' one

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And you all are talking Medical Care, so why cant you, Include all Veterans, and Legionairs, to receive Medical Attention, at all Va. Medical Centers, where you have, the Doctors, and Buildings, and where you get medication, Pills etc, Very Cheap. this would be a step to get some overall Medical Care in place;

Now in reviewing my situation its no wonder some of us take Poison, or Blow our heads off.

What does this Medical Care mean to me, "Answers And Advise"

"Going Nuts"

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P.S. in my 43 working years, I never received unemployment insurance, or welfare, of any kind.

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