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Walter cronkite quote on healthcare

When composer Igor Stravinsky was fifty-seven, he settled in the United States and a year later decided to apply for U.S. citizenship. He's on a date to see the right employee. In his first interview, the official asked the famous composer his name. Stra-vin-sky, he replied, speaking every syllable clearly. You could change it, you know, the official suggested. - Bartlett's book Jokes About Tonight Countdown with Keith Olbermann I saw a special comment section that brought me to tears. Olbermann's father has been in the hospital for six months, and now Olberman is facing a life decision. I am republishing Olbermann's section for a number of reasons: Firstly, I have faced the same decision, not once, but twice. I totally understand what he's saying. I felt his fear and his weakness. I know this deep part of which he begs in his quest to find answers. But beyond that, and perhaps most importantly in the general sense, I believe that Olbermann's comment, as personal and passionate as it is, speaks to the very heart of the current health care debate. It puts a face on the perversely labeled death panel (yes you, Palin, you brown). It makes human some of the issues that are bandied about so carelessly by those we have chosen to represent us, serve us, make decisions that will help our quality of life. Health care in America has declined in statistics, asymmetric events, healthy bytes, and partisan bickering. The men and women who will go to Blair House tomorrow for the health care summit have forgotten the important things: the quality of life, the quality of death, access to care, the ever-increasing cost of coverage, the ever-increasing hint of obstacles to the doctor's ability to make decisions about treatment, the ability to make informed decisions that are not based on what a family can afford. Politicians, lobbyists and companies represented by lobbyists do not consider this issue to be about people. And that, my friends, is exactly the problem. In conclusion here should not be the profits made by the healthcare industry. In conclusion it should be what the American people need, what they have spent generations working for, what they deserve: Affordable, quality health care, comparable to that found in all the other industrialized nations in the world. I argue once again that at this time members of Congress begin to pay for their own health care and that they are provided without for their families, only then do they deserve the right to make decisions about what the rest of us are entitled to when it comes to affordable premiums, coverage regardless of pre-existing conditions, and all other terminology used to disguise, complicate, and upgrade the actual real related to national health care. If you are of any interest in this matter, please call, write or e-mail your senators and representatives and let them know exactly how you feel. Click this link to find contact information for your elected officials. Vodpod videos are no longer available. To read a copy of the full Olbermann section, go to Keith Olbermann in Kos Daily. More later. Peace. QUOTE TEXT Page 2 Page 3 Page 4 8 of 8 Here's a bulletin from CBS News: in Dallas, Texas, three shots were fired at President Kennedy's motorcade in downtown Dallas. Initial reports say President Kennedy was seriously injured in that shooting. Tags: was, bulletin, CBS, Dallas, downtown, fred, first, Here Related Links: Walter Cronkite Introductory Profession and broadcaster, new anchor Page 5 1 of 4 [T] he rarely finds our land confused in our investigations, confuses us in our speculations, and haunts us in our dreams. They stretch like an unknown sea in front of us taunting, mysterious and muttering strange revelations and possibilities. Tags: diaphragm, before, dreams, earth, elements, hangout, derision, muttering Related Links: William Crookes Introductory Page 6 2 of 4 Most nature students sooner or later go through a process of deleting a large percentage of their supposed knowledge capital as merely a deceptive asset. As we more accurately identify certain known sequences of phenomena we begin to realize how closely these sequences, or laws, as we call them, are surrounded by even other laws for which we cannot form any meaning. By myself this deletion of deceptive assets has probably gone away and the spider web of supposed knowledge has been stung (as someone has formulated) into a particularly small pill. Tags: accurately, assets, assets, were, begin, call, can, chapter Related Links: William Crookes Introductory Page 7 3 of 4 Which was the first, Subject or Power? If we think about this, we will find that we cannot imagine matter without violence or power without matter. When God created the elements of which the earth is composed, he created some wonderful forces, which are released and become apparent when matter acts on matter. Tags: acts, done, some, composed, conceived, created, earth, data Related Links: William Crookes Introductory Page 8 4 of our 4 alleged facts can be true in all sorts of ways without coming in, with any truth already known. I will now dwell on only one possible line of explanation, not that I see any way of clarifying all the new phenomena that I consider genuine, but because it seems likely that I will shed light on some of these phenomena. All phenomena of the universe are probably somehow continuous; and certain events, detached as they were from the very heart of nature, are likely to be useful for the gradual discovery of events that lie deeper still. Tags: supposed, certain, continuous, continuous, deeper, discovery, dwell, explanation Related Links: William Crookes Introductory Page 9 Page 10 Page 11 Page 12Antny, class differences in pronunciation, dress, manners, and general lifestyle are much smaller; and no one can, by walking down the street or travelling by train, immediately identify a person's social background, as one can in England. Subjectively, social relationships are more natural and egalitarian, and less characterized by respect, subjugation, or snobism, as one quickly discovers from the taxi driver, bartender, flight attendant and pharmacy assistant. Page 13 2 of 11 As a democratic Socialist deeply committed to the rule of law, I could not approve, let alone encourage, disregard for the law. Tags: alone, committed, forgiving, contemptuous, democratic, encourage, law, deeply related links: Anthony Crosland Quotes Page 14 Page 15 Page 16 Page 17 Page 18 7 of 11 We believe that the growing crisis in the capitalist system, by which we mean both economic stagnation and the social and political conflicts it causes, makes it possible to think in terms of the development of a major growing and serious revolutionary socialist party in a way that was not possible 20 even before 10 Years. Tags: believe, both, capitalist, conflicts, crisis, development, economics, gives Related Links: Anthony Crosland Introductory Page 19 8 of 11 We still maintain in Britain a deeper sense of order, a more obvious social stratification, and stronger class dissatisfaction, than any of the Nordic, Australasian, or North American countries. Tags: American, Britain, class, countries, deeper, more, North, obvious Related Links: Anthony Crosland Introductory Page 20 Page 21 10 of 11 Nationalization ... does not in itself create greater equality, more jobs in the regions, higher investment or industrial democracy. The citizens are well aware of this, as are the workers affected by the closure of shops, steel redundancies and the run-off of the railways. It's stupid to try to bamboozle them. Tags: bamboozle, closures, democracy, create, equality, greater, higher, idiot Related Links: Anthony Crosland Introductory Page 22 11 of 11 Unless Arab states give Israel official recognition, within safe, recognized and mutually agreed limits, as a permanent feature of Middle East geography and politics. But in order for Israel to gain this recognition, it must, in a settlement, put an end to the territorial occupation it has maintained since the 1967 war; the nine members of the European Community stated that this is an essential of a settlement. On behalf of the British Government, I stress this need today. Tags: agreed, on behalf, limits, British, Community said, East, item Related Links: Anthony Crosland Introductory Page 23 Page 24 Page 25 Page 26 The great journalist Walter Cronkite famously said, America's healthcare America It's neither healthy, caring, nor a system. It was half-joking, at best. Still, you probably won't be surprised to learn that one of the keys to fixing American health care lies in communities like his only home in Houston. Today, we need a community to provide better health care - or, more specifically, we need local cooperation to provide access to consistent high-quality and affordable care that meets its promise of healthy outcomes. The challenge we face is as great as ever. In 2010, the United States spent nearly a fifth of its GDP on health care, higher than any other developed nation. With childhood obesity, an ageing population and the prevalence of chronic diseases, cost pressures are consolidating as part of the healthcare equation. When you add the fact that in this country, on average, there are only 25 doctors for every 10,000 patients, you start to get an even clearer picture of a system that remains overwhelmed and threatens U.S. competitiveness. One study found that ballooning dollar data place a heavy burden on companies operating in the United States and can put them at a significant competitive disadvantage. While national history is compelling, the truth is communities feel the real burden. In Harris County, nearly 30 percent remain uninsured, exceeding the national average. The rising obesity rate in Houston, the conditions it exacerbates and the diseases it causes, remains the biggest threat to the health of the city and its families. To paraphrase, all health care is local. That could be the answer. Because all healthcare is provided locally, the health care system should be designed locally. It is at local, Community level where we are more likely to innovate and implement new healthcare solutions. By piloting health care programs in specific markets we will be able to determine what works best in that city or region. To do this, however, when driving results, requires a system approach and effective cooperation between many stakeholders - including policymakers, providers (doctors and hospitals), buyers (large-scale employers, etc.), and health plans (insurers). We are already seeing this approach working in cities across the country. GE, like many other companies large and small, works to control costs by helping employees make their more up-to-date healthcare consumers. But the company also realized that these efforts, though effective, could only go so far because they don't address the system as a whole. So in cities like Cincinnati, and now Houston, GE is using its presence to help bring together stakeholders to improve the quality of health care provision and coordinate primary care with an emphasis on prevention. In Cincinnati, these efforts help produce better health outcomes for pediatric asthma and diabetic patients. Similarly Similarly The Clinton Health Issues Initiative (CHMI), the Clinton Foundation supports efforts to engage multiple sectors in improving unique health indicators for each community and reducing health care costs. Many outside southeastern California don't realize that Coachella Valley, home to Palm Springs, also has a child poverty rate close to 70 percent and some of the nation's poorest citizens. Using the County Health Rankings model to determine factors contributing to morbidity and mortality, the CHMI brought together local stakeholders to create a targeted action plan. It addresses health behaviors, clinical care issues, and other factors that contribute to health outcomes in the area. As of today, we're bringing this approach to Houston. We firmly believe that you cannot solve a problem as big as health care without the involvement of many stakeholders at the local level. Even as the country implements the Affordable Care Act by reducing the number of uninsured nationwide, local cooperation remains the best treatment to provide better value for health and health care. Moreover, we know that improving health care is a local challenge, but also a challenge that requires long-term investment. Just as we are determined to help bring people together, we are equally committed to ensuring that Houston's health care transformation is measure and sustainable. When stakeholders are fully involved in a common vision, they follow the results. We encourage others — businesses, local health and education professionals, policy makers, hospital and clinic managers, public health workers and local community leaders — to the table. With Houston's committed leadership, urban business community and world-class universities and hospitals, there's no reason why we can't succeed. Together we can make a difference. In Houston, we can make the American health care system healthy, caring and a system that works. NOTE: This piece originally appeared on LinkedIn.com

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