

that the nature of the initiating crisis is such that American deaths are few and that an American response is possible.

4. If this crisis allows response, the past and ongoing educational work of Fighting Chance will raise the probability that a correct response is made.

5. In any case, the work that we have been fortunate to do on expedient civil defense education with the guidance and help of Cresson Kearny will be helpful to many people.

It is our job, at present, to keep alive the efforts that we have initiated. We hope that these efforts will not be necessary. I have little hope that we shall be so fortunate.

HEALTH REFORM

The Clintons, with homosexuality and abortion firmly entrenched in their administration, are now bringing their political prowess to bear on the American health care system. We can expect their program, if enacted, to bring higher taxes, poorer health care, and euthanasia by default to many older Americans who will be ultimately deprived of access to the best medical care. In a planning effort that has taken over two floors of the Executive Office Building and employs 500 planners working under the direction of the unelected and unappointed Mrs. Clinton, the health care for all Americans is being revised in entirely secret sessions.

The American Association of Physicians and Surgeons, AAPS, under the leadership of its Executive Director, Dr. Jane Orient, filed suit against this secret process. The Federal Court ruled against the Clintons and in favor of AAPS. As a result, the Clintons were forced to hold a public meeting on health care reform. The meeting was presided over by the Clintons' Vice-President and several members of the Clintons' cabinet. Each speaker at the meeting was allowed a 3-minute statement. The Clintons demanded that written copies of the statements be submitted to them in advance.

In order to preserve her opportunity to speak and to avoid censorship, Dr. Orient submitted an innocuous written statement - but then said what she really wanted to say at the meeting with the television cameras rolling. This was an unwelcome surprise to federal planners. Dr. Orient's statement at that meeting, which is reprinted below, has received very wide acclaim in the national press. Dr. Orient has worked actively for many years on behalf of American Civil Defense. At the DDP meeting in San Francisco August 13-15, there will be an opportunity to hear her speak.

She advocates a medical savings account program and more emphasis on catastrophic health insurance - all paid for by individual free-market transactions. She opposes a "basic benefits package" dictated by government in which Americans are forced to use their money only for that medical care dictated by Washington bureaucrats. In short, she advocates freedom; she opposes fascism.

STATEMENT OF JANE M. ORIENT, M.D., ON BEHALF OF THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS BEFORE THE WHITE HOUSE TASK FORCE ON HEALTH CARE REFORM, GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, DC, MARCH 29, 1993:

"I am Jane Orient, Executive Director of the Association of American Physicians and Surgeons and one of 50 Past Presidents. I am in the solo practice of private medicine in Tucson, AZ. I speak as a physician who is bound by the Oath of Hippocrates. By my Oath, I must refrain from doing harm to my patients, and I must abstain from mischief and corruption. I may not promise my patient a three-minute remedy and then give her a deadly potion. Furthermore, I must follow that method of treatment which according to my ability and judgment I consider for the benefit of my patients. I may not subordinate my judgment to that of a secret council. I may not sacrifice my patient's welfare to a social