

"ALONG THE COLOR LINE"

(Continued from Page 4) for nothing less than the fundamental redefinition of the mainstream, to be fully inclusive of the broadest range of cultural perspectives, religious and philosophical values, languages and social traditions which reflect all of America.

Going beyond diversity means fostering a cultural dialogue between the representatives of various ethnic groups on campuses which leads to exchange, sharing and cultural synthesis. Universities must go out of their way to create spaces for people of color and other

oppressed groups to express themselves culturally, and to dialogue with others. As things now stand, too often we find students of various ethnic backgrounds relating to each other at a polite social distance, never really learning about other groups' experiences. We only

begin to appreciate our own culture, when we take the time to learn what is valuable in someone else's culture.

Going beyond diversity in higher education will require a change in the power relations between people of color, women, and the traditional elites which dominate our universities. By redefining the mission and core of our education, we can begin to move from the margins to the center.

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SENIOR SECURITY

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The Telephone Reassurance Project is funded by the Nevada Division for Aging Services. RSVP is sponsored by Catholic Community Services of Nevada and funded by ACTION, the federal volunteer agency.

Seniors interested in these programs or offered by RSVP should call 385-1328.

TO BE EQUAL

(Continued from Page 2) reform and those that are marginal.

To do that they'll have to have a firm set of objectives critical to improving the nation's health care system, and measure all proposals by those objectives, which should include:

Universal coverage, high quality, efficiency, affordability and accessibility without regard to income or geographical location, adaptability to the needs of different population groups, and education and training support.

The true test of any health care reform plan is the degree to which it meets the needs of our neediest citizens.

There's a real danger of a national health plan deteriorating into a two-track health

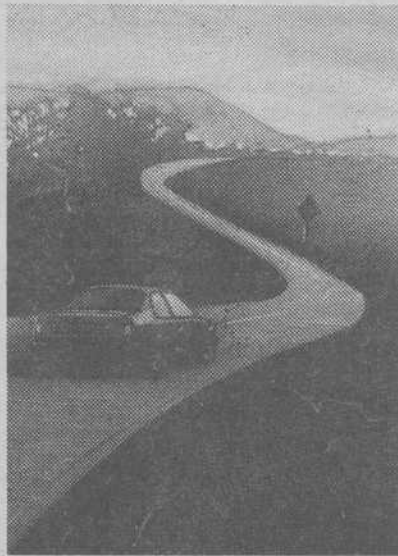
care system — one for the affluent and another, lower-quality one for the poor.

And there's a further danger that lobbyists and special interests can so alter the proposed reforms that we'd be better off with the present inadequate system.

Citizens shouldn't base their attitude toward reform solely on personal pocketbook issues. Some people will be paying a bit more for their insurance; others a bit less.

But the nation as a whole will be far better off if all of it's people have a health security standard that assures them of quality health care whether they are laid off from their job or not; whether they need extensive care or not; whether they are affluent enough to afford to pay their bills, or not.

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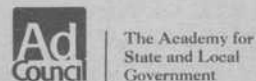


By the time a child is six years old, experts can tell if he's at risk to drop out of high school. They can predict who will have a hard time keeping a job. And even who is more likely to end up on welfare. Thirteen million American children live below the poverty line. And they need help before the age of six to improve their chances in life.

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