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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

insurance corporations in charge of our medical care, and we now know that having insurance doesn't keep patients from bankruptcy. A quarter of all bankruptcy cases are patients who thought they were covered by their health insurance. Are we embarrassed to have the World Health Organization list America as number 37 in providing health care for our citizens? France is number 1.

I think the best part of the film was Moore's plea for a "WE" instead of "ME" America where we build a caring community. Can we do it?

Ruth Duemler
Eugene

PERPETUATING THE PROBLEM

I appreciate Ann Tattersall's outrage with neighbors who irresponsibly let their cats freely multiply (6/28), but calling her neighbors "clearly psychotic" is unfounded.

As a person who has been psychotic, I know first hand how frightening it can be; I felt overwhelmed and distrustful of those around me, and I needed constant support to survive. Psychiatric criteria define psychosis as a fundamental departure from "reality," one that affects a person's ability to function in the world. Irresponsibly letting cats breed does not necessarily make someone psychotic.

Name-calling is not a way to solve problems, especially if it comes at the expense of a whole group of people, namely those who have been or are psychotic. The mentally "ill" are already misunderstood; let's not perpetuate the problem.

Quinn Robinson
Eugene

HER-STORICAL MOMENT

They were defenseless, and by the end of the night, they were barely alive. Forty prison guards, wielding clubs and their warden's blessing, went on a rampage against 33 women.

They beat Lucy Burns, chained her hands to cell bars above her head and left her hanging overnight, bleeding and gasping for air. They hurled Dora Lewis into a dark cell, smashed her head against an iron bed and knocked her out cold. Her cellmate, Alice Cosu, thought Lewis was dead and suffered a heart attack.

Thus unfolded The Night of Terror of Nov. 15, 1917, when the warden at the Occoquan Workhouse in Virginia ordered his guards to teach a lesson to the suffragists imprisoned there because they dared to picket Woodrow Wilson's White House for the right to vote. They were initially arrested for blocking sidewalk traffic.

For weeks the womens' only water came from an open pail. Their food, all of it colorless slop, was infested with worms. When one of the leaders, Alice Paul, embarked on a hunger strike, they tied her to a chair, forced a tube down her throat and poured this liquid down until she vomited, daily, for weeks, until word was smuggled out to the press.

However, some women still won't vote this year. Hope you will.

For anyone who wants it, this story was made into an HBO movie, *Iron Jawed Angels*. Happy summer to all.

Alexandra Myers
Eugene

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