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When Did Health Care Become a Campaign Issue?

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Although health care has always been a major social issue because health is a basic need of every person, it is considered to have first become a major political issue in the mid-1940s. As World War II came to a close and the American public began to concentrate on domestic issues, one growing concern was that citizens in the middle-income bracket were struggling to access adequate health care. When President Franklin D. Roosevelt’s New Deal programs that promised health insurance for all Americans stalled after 1940, many new ideas about providing access to health care were introduced.
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Struggles for National Health Reform in the United States.

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Abstract: The article presents information on the challenges faced by national health care reform in the U.S. The purpose of the American Association for Labor Legislation is discussed. It mentions the reasons for popular support for compulsory health insurance did not resurface in the country until the 1950s, in the midst of the Great Depression. Walter Reuther, president of the United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America, called for universal health insurance. In the 1970s, conservative shift in national and congressional politics, inflation, and economic anxieties caused the support for national health reform to wither.
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