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IN MY OPINION

"Mollie Tibbetts" Jennifer Heidmann, M.D.



run every day. Sometimes in the dark. Often alone. Of course we are taught as girls/women from the start to be afraid. It is why we cross the street when approached by a stranger and the hairs on the back of our necks stand up. It is why my daughter called me while she was walking home from work over a bridge in Seattle because some creep was there too, and she needed to make a human connection. That is why I call my husband when walking out of the hospital at night. Not that someone on the other end of an iPhone can intervene, but at least someone will know when the line goes dead to do something.

The other day I was running out in the Bottoms. I was going to this back road I like because the traffic is light, and it adds some miles, but ahead of me were two guys and a loose big dog. It felt wrong, so instead I took the highway shoulder home, with cars whizzing by, thinking death by automobile was preferable.

I have had 3 or 4 close calls with creeps in my life, mostly when I was in my teens and 20's. I suppose it was because I was a better target then in terms of my naivete and my looks. One advantage of growing older as a woman is the catcalls reduce, and the guys looking to hurt you are not as interested. So now I mainly worry about my daughters.

As I think about Mollie Tibetts, I think about her family. I think about her fear. I think about how pissed she must've been to have a nice solitary run destroyed, her young life taken, the confidence of women everywhere again shaken. I wonder how she would feel about becoming the justification for hate though?

Personally, I think what should outrage all of us is misogyny. It is a fact that girls, women, mothers, wives and sisters face inequality in many realms, including safety from abuse and assault. It is something we should be screening for in our medical practices, because it is so common.

I wrote a poem about all this. It is a little angry, I admit. It comes from a place of heartbreak and fear and true concern for this country that I want to love. It comes from bewilderment that hate seems to elate rather than deflate our populace these days.

To the family of MT, peace and healing.

Mollie Tibbetts

When a white girl is killed by a Mexican Boy who came here illegally When a white girl is killed while out For a run in Iowa When a white girl is killed My country shouts "Ok now let's talk about separating families." When a white girl is killed, statistically There is better than half a chance Her boyfriend or husband Or father or brother did it When a white girl is killed on a run My country suggests all us girls carry guns Soon running holsters will sell In every color When a white girl is killed in Iowa By a Mexican boy My country shouts about an overdue wall She was just trying to run She was young And he was an illegal alien so My country's collective mouth contorts And spits rage At bleeding hearts like mine who Still think children in cages out of line With who we ought to be Like lynching and Japanese internment Slavery and smallpox blankets Wrapped around unsuspecting original American babies A white girl is killed The white house seems thrilled She could have been my daughter! Or my other daughter who is brown From another place Her adopted country would be up in arms Should any white girl born here come to harm but A brown immigrant girl killed Probably asked for it Bad luck And anyway who gives a f*&#

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