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*Shallow ideas can be assimilated. Ideas that require people to reorganize their picture of the world provoke hostility.*

- Leo Tolstoy

*We are accustomed to having men jeer at what they do not understand.*

- Goethe

*Unless we put medical freedom into the Constitution, the time will come when medicine will organize into an undercover dictatorship... The Constitution of this republic should make special privilege for medical freedom as well as religious freedom.*

- Benjamin Rush  
1776, Signer of the  
Declaration of Independence

*When a true genius appears you can tell him by this sign, that all the dunces are in a confederacy against him.*

- Jonathan Swift

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## Abbreviations and Unusual Terms

ACLU	American Civil Liberties Union
AMA	American Medical Association
APÖ	(SDAP) Austrian Social Democrat Worker's Party
ATIC	Air Technical Intelligence Command
Comintern	Communist International, Moscow controlled
CU	Consumers' Union
DOR	Deadly Orgone Radiation
DPG	German Psychoanalytic Society
FBI	Federal Bureau of Investigation
FDA	Food and Drug Administration
HUAC	House Committee on Un-American Activities
IJSO	<i>Int. Journal for Sex-Economy &amp; Orgone Research</i>
INS	Immigration and Naturalization Service
IPA	International Psychoanalytic Association
ISU	Illinois State University
IZP	<i>Int. Zeitschrift (Journal) für Psychoanalyse</i>
KGB	Soviet Secret Service (Post-NKVD)
KPD	Communist Party of Germany
KPÖ	Communist Party of Austria
LRB	<i>London Review of Books</i>
KU	University of Kansas
NIH	National Institutes of Health
NKVD	Soviet Secret Service (Pre-KGB)
NSF	National Science Foundation
Oranur	Orgone Anti-Nuclear Radiation
OBRL	Orgone Biophysical Research Laboratory
OEB	<i>Orgone Energy Bulletin</i>
SAPA	Sand-Packet, a type of microscopic bion vesicle
SBHM	<i>Sexual Behavior in the Human Male</i> , Kinsey
SBHF	<i>Sexual Behavior in the Human Female</i> , Kinsey
SA	Sturmabteilung - Nazi stormtroopers
SexPol	Sex-Political Organization or Movement
Venona	US Army Signal Intelligence Service, which intercepted encrypted Soviet messages
VPS	Vienna Psychoanalytic Society
WLSR	World League for Sexual Reform
WRMO	<i>Wilhelm Reich Mysteries of the Organism</i> , film
ZPPS	<i>Zeitschrift für Political Psychology &amp; Sex-Economy</i>



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*“Where they burn books,  
they will ultimately burn people also.”*

- Heinrich Heine, 1821  
German Jewish poet

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