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PARANOIA AS AN ARCHETYPE



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PUBLIC LECTURE:

While other forms of mental illness are far more immediate, such as the current plague of eating disorders, only paranoia can literally make history, as it did through Hitler and Stalin. It can take hold of events directly because, unlike the rest of pathology, it is contagious. Far from being individual, its dynamics are self-replicating, devouring entire societies.

This fact stems from the rigid circularity of paranoia. Masquerading behind false logic, it is fatally attractive to simpler minds. It aims straight at its goal of destruction, and to the average person its impatience is far more seductive than any political, religious, or ideological discourse.

Formerly paranoia relied on "spokesmen," but now its chosen instrument is mass communication. The lecture will follow its development throughout history.

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