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Dr. Gott: Going, Going, Gone

ARIZONA DAILY STAR DROPS M.D. COLUMNIST

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The syndicated column of Peter Gott, M.D., known by the chiropractic community for his recent defamations of the profession in several articles, will no longer be featured in the Arizona Daily Star.

The Star, which is the largest local Tucson, Arizona newspaper, was possibly responding to pressure from local chiropractors. Tucson DCs sent the Star letters and copies of attorney George McAndrews' rebuttal to Dr. Gott published in the April 24, 1992 issue of "DC". Mr. McAndrews was responding to two of Dr. Gott's anti-chiropractic columns, "Does Reader Have Human Anthrax?", and "Chiropractic Care Can Lead to Nerve Problems."

Here are some excerpts from Mr. Andrews' rebuttal:

"Your 'scare' article regarding the possible injuries that people might suffer from the use of chiropractors borders on bizarre since it totally lacks balance."

"Again Dr. Gott, the American Chiropractic Association does not 'hiss' (the disparaging description used in your article). It tries to stick to fact -- not fancy. Add balance and rational thought to your columns regarding the emerging profession of chiropractic. ... Don't place yourself on the side of those who imprisoned Galileo. Open up your perspective -- don't be such a 'homer' when you comment on professions that clearly have more skills than your own regarding certain afflictions of the human species."

DCs, as before, are urged to write their local paper if it carries Dr. Gott's column, and give the editors information on Dr. Gott's biased perspective.

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