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Correspondence is invited from our readers, but they are asked to keep their letters short. Unless letters give the sender's full name and address (not necessarily for publication) they cannot be considered. The Editor would like to remind correspondents that it is not always possible to acknowledge every letter personally, so he takes this opportunity of thanking all who write to him.

Errata

Sir,—Detailed below are a number of errors which I have discovered in past issues of FSR:

January-February 1960, (as cited by Antonio Ribera's Platillos Volantes en Iberoamérica y España, pp.235-236). These two Brazilian cases of the evenings of May 25 and May 26 did not occur in 1912, but in 1911, according to the U.S. edition of A.H. Savage Landor's Across Unknown South America, vol. 1, pp. 260 and 263 (Boston, Little, Brown, and Co., 1913). I checked and found Venus to be an evening star at the time of the sightings, but a morning star on the dates reported in FSR. The year of Mr. Savage Landor's expedition I could only find after some searching, in the introduction. (I realize that this error, if it is indeed FSR's rather than Ribera's, may have already been corrected in FSR.)

July-August 1968, p.34. The "hairy monster" of Viloví, Spain, was not a monster at all, but an anteater. This is Sr. Ballester's negative landing no. 36 (see FSR July-August 1972, p. 32). His source for this case was El Correo Catalan of February 21 and 27 and March 8, 1968.

September-October 1970, p.29, case 75. Gray Barker's Book of Saucers (Saucerian, 1965), pp. 27-29, provides extensive information on the case, quoting ufologist Peter Norris's taperecorded interview of witness Charlie Brew. FSR says the cows turned somersaults, but Brew says, "They done everything bar turn somersaults. They put in the paper that they did turn somersaults, but that's carrying it a bit too far!" The 2½ page account does not say that the cattle broke out, nor that they were affected after the sighting. Son Trevor was not an eye-witness, though he did hear the UFO.

May-June 1971, p.8. There are a number of errors in Table I: No. 1, 2, and 3 — For all of these authors the percentages indicate a fractional number of sightings for some days. E.g., author 3 — 43 sightings is 14.3% and 44 sightings is 14.7%. Thus, in order to have the 14.6% which is shown for Monday, the number of sightings must be between 43 and 44. No. 4, 5 and 6 — Here are my own calculations based on the original data indicate that the following corrections should be made:

No. 4: Add 0.1% for Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday.

No. 5: Monday should be 13.6% Tuesday 9.9% and Wednesday 13.6%. No. 6: Add 0.1% for Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday.

Using the corrected values, the percentages total 100%, as they should. September-October 1972, pp. 28 and 29. Both of the Wisconsin sightings occurred the same dates they were reported in the press. The Milwaukee Journal, being an afternoon newspaper, is quite able to report news that happened earlier that day, as is the case here. And it generally uses the day of the week, instead of saying "today." So the correct dates of the sightings are July 29 and August 21, 1972, respectively. I regret not having written you this when I originally sent the clippings, but I did not realize there would be any confusion.

July-August 1973, p. iii. The correct spelling of "São Joãs Batista" is "São João Batista," according to the authoritative Enciclopédia dos Municipios Brasileiros (Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística, Rio de Janeiro, 1958), vol. X, p. 157, which gives a map of the area.

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on "elementals"

Dear Sir,—I read with interest your article on "Uri" in FSR Vol.20, No.2, 1974.

I read the book "Uri" by Dr. Andrija Puharich some time back, and sent my analysis with queries to Riley Crabb, Editor of Borderland Sciences Research Foundation Inc., California. He replied stating he was pleased to note I did not regard the computerized intelligences mentioned therein as humans. He classifies them "elementals." It appeared very obvious these elementals are in our skies for the purpose of gathering energy to recharge themselves. They make this perfectly clear in their statements to Puharich, stating the energy in our atmosphere is stronger than can be obtained elsewhere, and that they have been doing this for aeons of ages. This, then, could possibly account for the many-to us-strange manoeuvres of UFOs witnessed in many parts of

the world, as witness the case of luminous "snails" near Traunstein, Austria (also mentioned in Vol.20, No.2, page 12). These computerized intelligences further state quite clearly that they wish to acquire that which they do not possess, namely our human mental energy or force or, as we call it, "a soul," which gives man eternal life.

Students of the Wisdom Teachings — metaphysics and occultism — know that elementals, like everything else in the Universe, are both positive and negative. Some elementals are so divine in action as to be completely beyond our understanding; others come from the negative side of creation, the lower astral, and so on, and their actions are destructive and disruptive.

Now having studied literature on the civilizations of the sunken continents of Lemuria and Atlantis, records recall that the Atlanteans, just prior to their last cataclysm, had the ability to create intelligent robots life - but they could not give them souls. So, as all created life has counterparts in the etheric realms, it is not inconceivable that these entities are coming from the etheric planes, or 4th dimension. Wisdom Teachings tell us that at this particular time in the history of our civilization, man's mind will be opening up to the extent that he will be able to see into this 4th dimension, he having entered the atomic age. This being so we must expect to meet many strange creatures and beings, and our only way of contact, without harm to ourselves, is to project impersonal love, for they are all creations of the Supreme Divine Ultimate Reality. We are going to have great difficulty with communication because they will not think as we do, will not have emotions such as ours, and therefore many of their actions will seem incomprehensible to us. Maybe people who have had contact with these entities might possibly have a greater realization of this aspect.

Another point in the book which struck me forcibly was that the light shone upon Uri Geller at the age of three years. Now several cases have been quoted in FSR where the projection of this powerful light upon humans has had differing results, some contactees have had complete bodily and mental improvement, others total disintegration. Perhaps the entities