mutilations is truly frightening and ought to be taken seriously by anyone with half a mind. Although the mutilations have toned down somewhat at the moment, sightings of the creatures causing them have increased ten-fold.

"There was a case last week of a man who had one such entity jump onto the hood of his car and stare him down, issuing the telepathic command: 'DON'T SCREAM -I DON'T WANT YOU TO SCREAM'. "Needless to say the man choked on his own utterance.

"Residents of some of the desert towns of Northern Chile where all this is taking place are hearing the sounds of creatures running across their rooftops at night as they leap from one house to another.

"Rationalists are hoping that the creatures -if ever captured- will be some kind of baboon entity set wild in the desert by some unknown agency for its own purposes, but the chances that we are dealing with something completely unknown are very high. I wish you could see the messages that I am getting. People are truly scared, and there is evidence that the Government feels a certain amount of concern."

Dr Max Edwards himself has first-hand knowledge of all these areas in the North Chilean Desert, and therefore his own comments are equally valuable. He writes:-

"It's about time Governments did 'feel a certain

amount of concern'. The towns in the Desert are few and far between, except for Arica, Iquique, and Antofagasta. The waterless desert ends just north of La Serena -I've been to all these places- and if creatures can survive in that desert -without water-* THEY MUST TRULY BE DEMONIC! Fancy thinking it is a baboon!

"By this time one would think that people everywhere, after hearing all the chupacabras stories from Puerto Rico, would put two and two together, and realise the **sameness** between events in Puerto Rico and events in Chile! I believe too that, some time ago, Spain also had some 'chupacabra events'."

[Yes! See Magdalena del Amo-Freixedo's Chupacabras Galore! in FSR 42/2 (Summer 1997), and More Animal Mutilations in Spain, by Raquel Andión and Enrique Tomás, in FSR 44/2 (Summer 1999) -G.C.]

And Max Edwards concludes his comments:-

"To my mind this is all like the 'Jersey Devil', in New Jersey, USA, in the early years of the 19th century. Drawings of the 'Jersey Devil' and of the 'chupacabras' are strangely similar. I've seen the sketches of both."

NOTE BY EDITOR OF FSR.

* But -dear Max- OF COURSE the chupacabras can get on all right in the waterless desert! THEIR BEVERAGE ISN'T WATER! IT IS BLOOD!■

READERS' LETTERS.

Dear Gordon Creighton,

January 29, 2001

Many thanks for your letter and copy of FSR which I am enjoying. It would be an honour to come on board as a Consultant particularly as my fields include cryptozoology, folklore and legend. I visited all the Merlin and Arthurian sites over the years, for example, and also study British standing stone sites and leys, often dowsing on site re-ageing the area etc.

It may also be of interest to you that since 1968 I have taken in over 4000 sick and injured wild creatures and healed them using old herbal remedies and ley energy,never veterinary drugs, and released almost all of them fine and well afterwards.

I mention this as it gives you some idea of my interests, and I enclose the latest bit of news from the WMN for which I write daily and weekly columns. The paper is a six days per week regional so I can refer to FSR at some stage if you wish. I have done a few big-cat pieces in it as you may know.

I visit and dowse at crop circle sites locally, and have had a personal experience or two with UFO sightings. Endymion (27) and I used to run the *Athene 'mag'* which we published here and sent to many interested people in UK and abroad, but it is now out of print. Tom Perrott of the Ghost Club was a subscriber. Again, haunted sites are another of our interests, and Endymion is following my 'old' work and writes *Folklore in Devon Today* magazine each month.

Am delighted you got in touch, With renewed thanks, sincerely,

Trevor Beer.

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BOOK REVIEWS.

I. RETURN OF THE GIANTS, by Barry Chamish, FSR Consultant in Israel. Paperback, many illustrations, 200 pages. Pub. July 2000 by Blue Star Productions, Sun Lakes, Arizona. US\$ 10.95. ISBN 1-881542-66-1.

Since 1993 the terrifying ANAKIM, or REFA'IM, the "GIANTS" of the Bible, are back again in Israel, as we have already reported in FSR Nos. 39/4, 41/1, 42/3, 43/3, 44,/4, and 45/1. As Barry says, "the evidence is totally watertight". Unpleasant beings, 7 ft. or more in height, and seemingly not merely three-dimensional. Barry sees the situation as decidedly ominous.

II. *UNEARTHLY DISCLOSURE*, by Timothy Good, FSR Consultant. Foreword by Admiral of the Fleet, The Lord Hill-Norton. Hardback, 277 pages, copiously illustrated, pub. by Century, London, price £16.99.

ISBN 0-7162-8465. Like Timothy Good's last book, *ALIEN BASE*, this volume makes very great use of material that is only available in FSR.

III. YOU CAN'T TELL THE PEOPLE: THE DEFINITIVE ACCOUNT OF THE RENDLESHAM FOREST UFO MYSTERY, by Georgina Bruni. Pub. Jan 2001 by Sidgwick and Jackson, London. Hardback, 450 pages, price £17.99. ISBN 0-283-06358-01.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher's famous reply to Georgina Bruni's question on May 21, 1997, "you must get your facts right, and you can't tell the people", explains resoundingly why it is that immense efforts will be made to see that as few copies as possible of Tim Good's book and of this one get sold, and that publicity shall be minimal. No further comment by us is necessary. G.C.

OBITUARIES.

MRS CYNTHIA HIND (ZIMBABWE).

We understand that this eminent researcher -the leader in Africa-passed away during the latter part of August 2000. According to the press reports she - (like so many other UFO researchers!) -was a victim of *cancer* -a matter to which I begin to feel the rest of us ought to start to pay considerable attention.

Nobody in Africa equalled her, and she will be sorely missed. (As the years passed, I asked her several times whether she, with all her close and unequalled knowledge of the Africans, had ever come across any cases of apparent sexual tinkering, cross-breeding, removal of sperm and/or ova, surrogate pregnancy, etc, etc, (she replied that she never had!...).

Our sincerest condolences go to her family and nearest friends. And to Cynthia herself go all our very best and warmest wishes and support as she proceeds on her upward journey. G.C.

DR PIERRE GUÉRIN (FRANCE).

This noted French physicist and astronomer perhaps the most eminent in France of late- was long associated with the Institute de Physique in Paris, the Observatories of Paris and of Le Pic du Midi, and was Maître de Recherche in the CNRS (French National Council for Scientific Research). He left us on October 7, 2000, aged 74.

He had only just brought out, towards the end of 2000, an excellent book (his *first* on UFOs, so far as I am aware) -OVNI: LES MÉCANISMES D'UNE DÉSINFORMATION (pub. by Albin Michel, Paris, ISBN 9-78226120229). The English title would of

course read no doubt like "UFOs: THE MECHANICS OF A SYSTEM OF DISINFORMATION", which suffices to tell you that, after fifty years of UFO research and study, this top French astronomer had no doubt about the existence of "les OVNIs" despite all the efforts at denial and cover-up -and these have been very powerful in France throughout, due no doubt in large measure to Monsieur Descartes himself.

So far as I gathered from our long contact with him, Dr Guérin was an astronomer who -unlike so manyseemed to have found no difficulty in accepting what we call "the E.T. theory".

Over the years we published in FSR 15 letters and articles from him, two of them under the nom-de-plume of "Jacques Lemaître". His last article for us, *THE U.S. AIR FORCE, GRAVITATION, AND UFOs*, in FSR 43/2 (Summer 1998), indicated that he was a believer in the presence of an alien technology at *Area 51*.

Our condolences and warmest sympathies go to Madame Anne-Marie Guérin and the large family of sons and daughters and grandchildren.

To Pierre himself go all our very best and warmest wishes as he proceeds on his journey out amongst the stars.

DESMOND LESLIE.

Desmond Leslie, one of the "grand old men" of ufology, co-author with Adamski of *Flying Saucers Have Landed*, and one of the group who founded FSR, has just died at his home in the South of France at -as we believe- the age of 80. More in our next issue.

G.C.■

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