

eager for sensationalism, will find it uninteresting; the serious researcher will be concerned at the lack of documentation such as sources and bibliography, though there is an index. But in spite of its faults, there is some interesting material in this book, and ufologists should read it. It may spark off new trains of thought.

Yet another large-format, lavishly illustrated, compendium of enigmas, **Mysteries of the World** (Lyric Books, £4.95) has been published, with a dozen contributors. *John Rimmer*, editor of *Magonia*, tackles UFOs. He starts with a brief overview of the subject, but soon concentrates on his own eclectic approach which sees the phenomenon as a product of modern man's mind, and cites psychoanalyst Carl Jung's theories linking UFOs with mandalas from the collective subconscious. Although inadequate in explaining *all* of the data which the phenomenon provides, this approach merits consideration by all concerned with ufology, and John Rimmer's article is worth reading, but it does not present the broadly balanced view which the enquiring layman, at whom this book is directed, should have been given. Some of the other articles deal with Atlantis, the Pyramids, Stonehenge, King Arthur, the Turin Shroud, and Miracles. Loch Ness researcher Tim Dinsdale writes on "Monsters of Land and Sea," and Robert Rickard,

editor of *Fortean Times*, deals knowledgeably with stigmata (the spontaneous appearance of wounds, which resemble those received by Christ, upon the bodies of the pious).

1979 saw the publication of four new UFO books for children. We have an especial interest in these because we have ourselves written a children's UFO book, **Are We Being Watched?**, which should see publication later in 1980. Ours is somewhat different from those now under review, being for older children and containing only sightings reported by children themselves. Of the paperbacks recently received for review, the most arresting is Bob Rickard's **UFOs** (Scimitar, 40p). It is a small but dynamic book with full-colour illustrations on every page and introduces the young enquirer to the basics of ufology, not ignoring the more frightening aspects like "Men in Black" and "Sinister Abductions." **Exploring UFOs** by Jonathan Rutland (A Piccolo Explorer Book, 60p) is also full of colour, and in fact has more pictures than text. It is a bit more sober than Rickard's book, dealing mainly with physical craft and outer space travel, but UFO entities are mentioned too.

If some children might be distracted by so much vivid colour, there is the less frenetic book by Nigel Baguley,

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THE UFO "GATE" THEORY

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Dr. Finch is a medical practitioner and former Royal Air Force surgeon who has been associated with *Flying Saucer Review* since the far off days of Volume 1. While this "note" — his description — is very speculative it presents, in the barest form, some interesting ideas.

IT must be realised that the humanoids have a different atomic structure to terrestrials — the "frequency of vibration" of their sub-atomic particles must be different, and the spacing of their molecular structure must be larger — which could explain why some are able to walk through material objects, why some are of greater weight and are much taller, why some cannot breathe our air, and why others can walk on or through water and rocks.

All this points to an origin from a different dimension or universe which is in contact with our universe either close at hand, or far out in space beyond the galaxies.

It would appear there are fixed "gates" or points of entry in space where entry and exit from one dimension to another can be carried out. These "gates" open when in contact with a gravitational field, and thus enable the occupants of one dimension to enter another.

When the earth, for example, in its orbit round the sun, reaches one of these "gates," the latter "opens" and aliens can enter. They only stay open for a short time while the earth is passing through the "gate." As the earth rotates on its axis so the "gate" moves along latitudinally, varying with the tilt and movement of the earth round the sun.

Mathematically the sites of these "gates" could be calculated. The contact of the "gates" with the earth causes various phenomena to occur — hauntings,

poltergeist effects, telekinesis and so on, due possibly to the contact of another dimension with ours. These phenomena persist long after the earth has left the "gate" far behind.

Aliens who enter our dimension through the "gates" via their vehicles have a limited time here as the "gate" sweeps across the rotating earth. They have to wait for its arrival again and they probably leave through it on the "last time round." Otherwise, the "gate" is left behind in space and closes (until in contact with another gravitational field).

Perhaps some of the strange antics of the aliens is due to their waiting, or searching for the "gate's" location as it travels through and round the earth and off into space. Are the strange circles of stones found round the earth old "markers" of the passing "gate"? Again, do some aliens get left behind in their rush to "be on time" with the approaching "gate"?

The location of the gate could be, as well, below ground level as it sweeps through the earth.

This hypothesis would explain many observations of the antics of UFOs and their passengers, and also bring together the phenomena of hauntings, poltergeists and teleportations. The latter could be caused by objects of our dimension, such as cattle, people and so on, being caught up temporarily in the gate and dropping back again.