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The Editor,
Fate Magazine,
500 Hyacinth Place,
Highland Park, Ill. 60036, U.S.A.

Dear Editor:

Enclosed is a report I have written in protest of an unjust book review in which another writer has been crucified by your Book Review Department and which, I hope, in fairness to the author, you will publish in your "Report from the Readers" section.

I have been a subscriber to "Fate" for many years and always believed that your publication stood for open-mindedness and fair play, but having read some of your book reviews, I am beginning to have some doubts about your policy.

Fair criticism is one thing, but the destructive nature of some of the blasts delivered by some of your book reviewers are not only extremely hurtful to the writers concerned - to say nothing of jeopardizing their book sales - but are harmful to the UFO cause in general and reflect very little credit on your magazine.

Is your Book Review Editor trying to be deliberately provocative just to create controversy? If so, it is hardly worthy of Fate and it may well have repercussions. I would suggest that your Book Review Editor might scan a little more carefully the reviews submitted to him and endeavour to have some of the more caustic of these remarks tempered with a little more justice and humanity. Otherwise, I fear you may be losing a good number of your readers and advertisers.

Fate is an excellent magazine which, with its abundance of interesting articles, can stand on its own merits. Surely it does not have to resort to this cheap type of newspaper trick to stir people up.

Yours very truly,

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Attached are copies of my letter to the Editor of Fate and piece for inclusion in "Report from Readers" which undoubtedly they will chop, but I'd like them ^{to} read anyway. I only hope some good will come out of it. What's the betting I get a snorty retort from the 'sophisticated' Jerome?! Well, in the name of justice, I can take it!

C. H. Watkins.

Kind regards to you and Dot.

Carol