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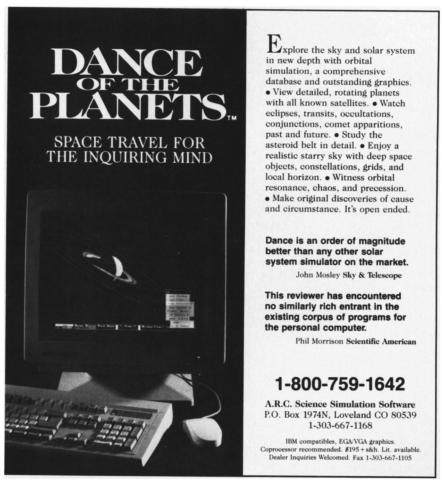
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Poisons of the Past: Molds, Epidemics, and History — Mary Kilbourne Matossian. The author argues that microfungi in rye bread may have caused the mysterious outbreaks of infertility, bizarre behavior and sudden death that occurred in Europe from the 14th to 18th centuries. Her research on colonial America also links mold poisoning to a throat distemper epidemic, the Salem witchcraft persecution and the religious "Great Awakening" of 1741. Originally published in hardcover in 1989. Yale U Pr. 1991, 190 p., paperback, \$10.00.

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