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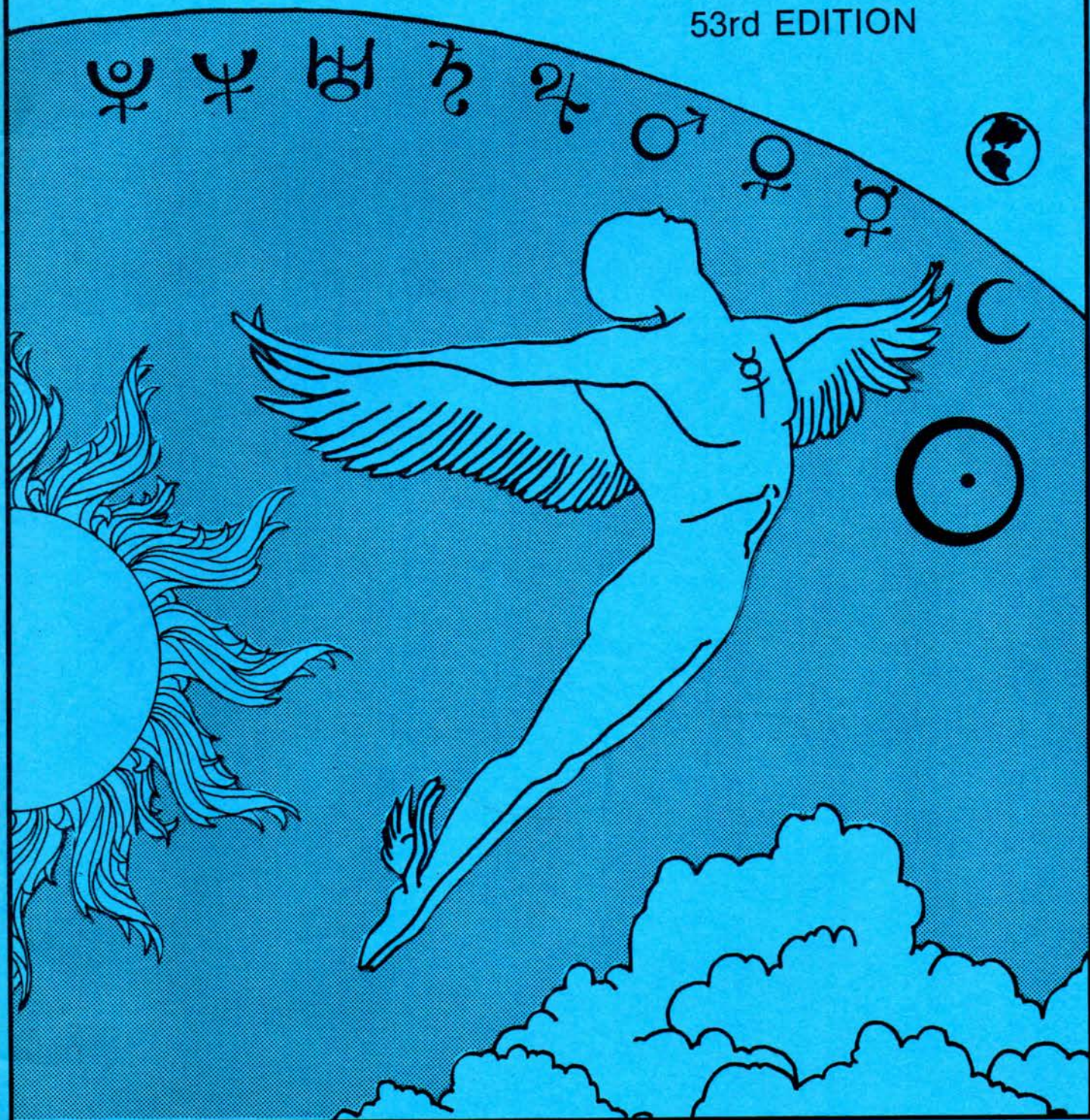
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Joylyn Hill (Neptune/Tarot-astrology correspondences.)
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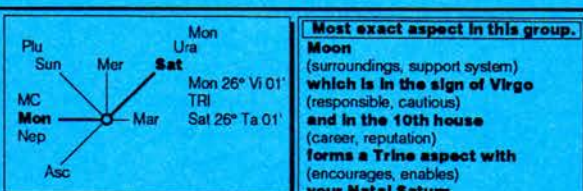
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HAPPY SPRINGTIME MERCURY HOUR READERS,

I'd like to begin by apologizing to you if this edition of **Mercury Hour** has reached you a little later than normal. We were presented with the biggest snow storm in 20 years here in Lynchburg on Jan. 22 and 24th, only days before we were due to go to press. We had three feet of snow. That may not seem a lot to many of you who live with this phenomena regularly, but in a place like this it becomes a great problem. The city is not equipped to deal with the roads in large snowstorms. Only a small amount of money is set aside each year for chemicals and equipment. It took Lynchburg 10 days to dig out. So this finds us 10 days behind schedule getting to press and getting out to you. Sorry!

This begins the 13th year of publication for **The Mercury Hour**. We would like to thank all of those who have supported us through the years and especially those of you who are current subscribers. In honor of the 13 years of community sharing and learning that have passed, we have decided to republish the **Mercury Hour** over the first 10 years in its entirety. This is a great endeavor and work of love as we feel the need to share the vast expanse of knowledge and camaraderie that have taken place over the years. We know that there are many of you out there that have many of the editions of **MH** and many who don't. We have decided to reprint these editions in one-year segments. The first segment "The first of **Mercury Hour**—April 1974, January 1975" is now available. These segments will be offered in one-year increments without cover that are designed to be put into a three-or five-ring binder. We felt that this would be the best way to design this work so that individuals can buy whatever year's they are missing from their collection without the expense becoming too great. At the time of writing this letter (mid-January) we have not yet decided on the price for this first edition. We have quite a bit of work to do on it yet and will inform you with an insert tucked inside the magazine cover of this edition the exact price. The price for the editions as we go along through the years will probably vary as the **Mercury Hour** began as a simple newsletter and quickly blossomed into a full-blown magazine. We will keep you informed as new editions come off the press. Knowledge is freedom and there is much of this to be found in the first 10 years of **MH**.

I was very interested to note that the last time we mailed the **Mercury Hour** out (December) the geographical locations that we were mailing to seemed to have shifted. The top 11 states to which the **MH** is now mailed the most often are as follows: 1. California, 2. New York, 3. Illinois, 4. New Jersey, (birth place of **MH**) 5. Florida, 6. Texas, 7. Massachusetts, 8. Ohio, 9. Virginia, 10 Michigan, 11. Pennsylvania. Come on the rest of you out there. Let's give them some competition.

In the Jan. 1987, edition we made a printing error on Pg. 41 in our in-magazine subscription form. In our haste to get the prices changed on everything we have printed by the Jan. 1, 1987 deadline, we did not change the prices on this sub. form. We are sorry about this and hope that it hasn't caused too much confusion. The price for a subscription to **MH** (as most of you know by now) raised to \$25 Bulk Mail on Jan. 1, 1987. All other prices raised \$5 accordingly.

We also need to mention at this time that the prices for Extra Editions of the magazine were also raised as of Jan. 1, 1987. An Extra Edition of **MH** now costs 1/4th of whatever you are paying for your regular subscription. If you receive your editions Bulk Mail the new price is \$6.25. If you receive your editions First Class Mail the price is \$7.50. All other subscriptions (Air Mail-Surface Mail and so forth) can be calculated by simply dividing your subscription price by four. For a complete list of these prices consult the cover letter of the 16th Extra Edition. We are receiving \$5 in payment from many of you for the 17th Extra Edition. We are marking you partially paid for this edition. You will need to send us the balance upon receipt.

Apologies are also due from us for not printing the Winter Solstice by **Dorothy Willis** in the Jan. 1987 edition. Dorothy had some problems with a mail truck in Canada. The truck burned up and a number of her bills and letters were lost. Apparently, in the shuffle of confirming her subscription renewal and extras, it did not occur to us that the Winter Solstice article had not arrived. Double shame on us as Dorothy visited us here at **MH** in November and we still didn't discover the error.

You will notice this time that we have made some changes in our book list. We have added some new things and also stopped carrying some books that we had previously. There have also been some price changes. "Neptune-Signs of the Time" has been reprinted and is at a new price (see **MH** sheet in center section). We still have not had word about the second printing of "Secondary Progressions". We are offering a new book this time by one of our subscribers, **Ed Kluska**. It is called "Astrological Megatrends 1996". This is quite an interesting book. Ed gives a brief chapter to begin with that sets up the

reading for even those who are novices to Astrology and then goes on to describe the effects of the outer planets over the next 10 years. A must for readers who are fascinated by what the future holds.

Likewise, the back editions has undergone change. Please try to consult the most recent back editions list that has been published when you are ordering back editions. This will save us both time and trouble when we are sold out of editions that you might be ordering.

The 17th Extra Edition should be accompanying this edition of **MH** if you are signed up for Extra Editions. It's one of the best extras that we have had in a few years, so don't miss it and don't forget the price has gone up to 1/4 of your subscription price.

I'm looking forward to meeting many of you at the **7 Hills Conference** -- June 5-7. It's always a thrill to meet subscribers to the **Mercury Hour** after you have been corresponding with them for some time. Remember, the cut-off date for the \$65 price on the conference is April 15, 1987. After that time it will cost \$75. Let us hear from you soon if you would like to attend.

Enlightenment and Peace,
JEWELL COOK-FAHEY

HI!!!

Well, what's new this issue? Seems like I have been up to my eyeballs in things I want to mention. **Jewell** has said "remember, just a column but no book!" She's just jealous when my creative ability runs away with me.

NORWAC '87 - April 24, 25, & 26, 1987. If you haven't contacted **NORWAC**, c/o Astrology Et Al, 4728 University Wayne, Seattle, WA. 98105, better do so right away. **Maggie Nalbandian** will be glad to help you.

Whatever you do, get your reservations in for the **7 Hills Conference NOW**. The dates are June 5, 6, & 7, 1987. The reservation forms are enclosed - **FIND THEM!!** We plan on having the usual great Astrology and fun conference. You owe it to yourself, you deserve it--we're looking forward to seeing you.

There is a new chapter of **NCGR** - the Orlando, Florida Chapter. It's first meeting was 10/31/86. **Steve Hobson** is President and I am sure he would welcome all inquiries. (305-859-7668) Join them if you can and help them help the chapter to grow.

Speaking of growing--some of us who are members of **NCGR** and very interested in heliocentric Astrology have organized a "Heliocentric SIG" of **NCGR**. SIG stands for Special Interest Group. It is like a chapter of **NCGR** except it

does not have the geographical boundaries a chapter does and it also has its own newsletter. If you are a member of **NCGR** and want to join our **HELIO SIG**, just send me a check for \$8.00 to help with the cost of mailing and publishing the newsletter. Your membership in the SIG will start when you are notified. (If you aren't a member of **NCGR** and would like to join, I can take care of that for you as well, along with joining the SIG. It is \$30 for the first year for a new member in **NCGR** plus \$8.00 for the **HELIO SIG**.) We already have people who are interested in research - **Dr. Lee Lehman**, **T. Pat Davis**, **Dot Willis** with weather/forecasting, **Judy Johns** with Mundane, and several other well known people who are just plain interested in what the helio chart shows. That's what the newsletter will be about - communication on **HELIO**. I have a feeling this is really going to grow so come on. **JOIN US NOW!**

Richard Nolle has published a table of "SUPERMOON ALIGNMENTS". For \$1.00 and a stamped addressed envelope he will send you a copy of it. Write to him at P.O. Box 26599, Tempe, AZ 85282. These Supermoon Alignments take place several times a year and have been found to coincide with great storms and earthquakes on the mundane level, people born under a Supermoon tend to have highly charged emotional lives and family backgrounds. There are also extreme cases of Supermoons which are also indicated in the tables. **Richard** predicted Hurricane David in Sept. 1979, with a Supermoon involved. Dec. 1, 1986 was one and another was Dec. 31, 1986 and the next July 11, 1987. The Dec. 31st at 9 of Cap. and the July 11th at 18 of Cap. He gives the dates and the time of exactness as well as the type. The one on 12/1/86 had tides eight feet above normal and did extensive flood and storm damage, over seven million dollars worth in N.C. alone. Chicago also had flooding.

IAO RESEARCH CENTRE, INC. has sent out a newsletter giving information on their planned activities during the year. It also included information clarifying who they are and what they are doing for those who may not be aware of them. **Robin Armstrong** is president of the Research Centre. You can write to him for a copy at 9 1/2 Casimir St., 2nd. Floor, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5T 2P6. For one thing, they are building a tremendous library that they hope one day will be available to all via computers and modems!!!

During the end of Oct. and the beginning of Nov. of 1986, I was privileged to attend, first the San Diego Conference, and then the **NCGR** Conference. As usual, there are just too many things going on at the same time so you can't possibly attend that many of them. The list of speakers in both places was impressive and I did manage to get to quite a few of the lectures. I also bought a lot of tapes so I could review some of the information as time permits. (Time--that's a strange word for a Capricorn? I wonder what it means?)

I found **Michael Lutin** absolutely delightful as a lecturer. One of the things he said that impressed me and probably blew some of the attendees minds but which I have been saying for years -- "Forget about accurate to the minute birthtimes. No need to adjust everything to the minute, like house cusps." Hurray for Michael. He also mentioned that when he has a 28 or 29° ASC. or M.C. he puts a question mark next to it then watches and questions his client to see if it should be the next sign. I have always felt that interpolation of house cusps is the greatest waste of time that Astrology has ever come up with! Now with computers in such great use it is obsolete, they do it for you.

Robert Glasscock was another interesting speaker and I am sure you will be hearing more about him. His lecture on "Life Script" maded a lot of sense. Basically what he said to do was to list your planets by degree order, not sign, on through



HAVE YOU HEARD....
By **EDITH CUSTER**

ten. Each of the numbers one through ten has a specific meaning and depending on the planet, that would be your approach to that area. As an example, number one would be the way you initiate things. Mine is Mercury. RKM has a tape on this lecture. You might want to inquire about it. Naturally as the number of degrees increase, each planet would be activated in that order by transits. It is an interesting way of looking at things, to say the least.

The food at the San Diego Conference was really great, not like UAC at all although it was at the same place.

One thing that doesn't seem to work very well are these pre and post conference workshops. There is not the attendance there should be for the calibre of speakers being presented. I guess conferences these days are expensive enough without the additional expense of the workshops - or perhaps it is the extra time needed to attend?

I mentioned Michael and Robert because I had never heard them speak before and thought they were excellent. Most of the other speakers are well known to the lecture circuit and all did the usual outstanding job they normally do.

The Airport Hilton was host to the NCGR group. They also put on a good conference. They did something rather innovative at the Saturday night gathering that was fun. They had folks get together according to their signs and then make up a small skit or act that would portray an outstanding characteristic of the sign. They had about 15 or 20 minutes to get it together. Some of them were really clever! Prizes were awarded to the best ones, chosen by ballots passed out to everyone in attendance.

My luggage got lost in St. Louis so I arrived in Indianapolis without it and didn't get it until Warren Kinsman went over to the airport with me the next day and helped me retrieve it. What would I do without that nice man? It seems he is always rescuing or helping one of we damsels in distress! (Damsels? That's a joke?)

I had the pleasure of spending a couple of weeks with Joyce Wehrman before and after the San Diego Conference and no, we didn't go to the races. I was there for the 4.5 earthquake, my first experience with one. What really made an impression on me was the noise it creates! Sounds like a heavy truck rolling past the house, or the subway rumbling underground. Unreal!! I had no idea what the noise was until Jim and Joyce said in unison "earthquake" and we stood and stared at each other in the dining room, waiting to see what happened next. Fortunately, there was no damage but it certainly was an experience I won't forget. Strange things happen to me when I am with Joyce!

We had a jail-break on Nov. 24th here in Lynchburg. The prisoner who escaped was born on Oct. 28, 1962. The chart for the break-out had Aries on the M.C. with Helio Mars in Aries in the 10th. He escaped by diving head-first through a plexiglass window. The Geo Mars was in Aquarius. Helio Mercury was square his Sun when he took off (Leo to Scorpio Sun) and natally he has Helio Mars in Gemini. Naturally what he was doing time for (40 years) was being rather light-fingered, to put it mildly. His Geo Mars is in Leo. He was still on the loose on Nov. 30th. Don't you think you really might be missing something if you don't take the few minutes involved and start looking at the Helio placements? A lot of us KNOW you might be! Join us in the new **HELIO SIG**...let me hear from you soon.

MOST IMPORTANT - get your reservations in for the **7 Hills Conference NOW**. I will look forward to greeting you on Thursday or Friday, June 4th and 5th. for the great weekend to follow.

The **THIRD WORLD CONGRESS OF ASTROLOGY IN SWITZERLAND 1987**, will be held from April 30th to May 3rd, 1987, in Zurich. For more information on this one write to: API c/o **Bruno & Louise Huber**, Obertillstrasse 4, CH8134 Adliswil, Switzerland.

I want to apologize along with Jewell, for not having Dot Willis' Winter Solstice charts in the January edition. I have a feeling it was probably my fault since Dot and I were working with them in class while she and her husband spent a few days with us in Lynchburg. Knowing my mind these days I probably put them somewhere, took off for San Diego and forgot all about them. We noticed they were missing after the **MH** was printed. At any rate, our apologies to Dot and the rest of you who have asked about them. I remember from the stuff we did in class that as usual, Dot was right on. At any rate, all of the Vernal Equinox stuff is in this edition.

Love and Hope,
Edith

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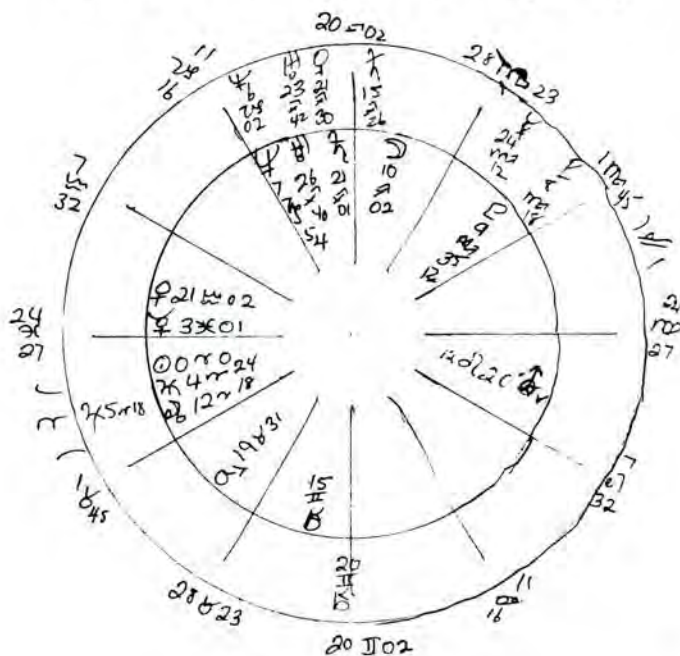
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For the remainder of this year and all of next year to late fall, the predominate weather feature is the coming conjunction of Saturn and Uranus. While the actual conjunction doesn't take place until Feb. 13th of '88, these two planets are within a 5° orb, and to complicate things are approaching the conjunction orb to Neptune. Saturn and Uranus are the two coldest planets, generally indicating well below normal temperatures for all seasons, and very erratic weather patterns. As they are both in Sagittarius we can also expect much higher than normal heat waves during hot seasons. Being so close together, there will be a pattern of arid and drought conditions side by side. The extreme fluctuations and prolonged disturbed atmospheric conditions with continual east winds, affect crops and health adversely. Be alert for new strains of flu, pandemic diseases that will move from EAST to WEST (contrary to weather flow). The lack of Sun will increase, lack of vitality and depression will become more apparent. (Sun Lamps anyone?)

At the moment, Saturn is 5° from Uranus, while Uranus is still 11° from Neptune. These three all lie over Alaska indicating alternate bands of lows, highs, and lows yo-yoing across the country. The lows will predominate as Neptune leads and Saturn brings up the tail. The same pattern lies over western Russia and east Africa. Uranus is over the Sudan for heat and drought, Neptune is over Ethiopia to bring some rains, while Saturn runs through central Africa. Uranus also runs through Kiev. The three of them square the meridian off the east coast, Neptune being over the Atlantic until he reaches the

edge of Brazil, Uranus who is also semisquared to Pluto, and Saturn over the Canadian Maritimes down through central South America. The north will be cold and damp but South America will be getting heatwaves. Neptune may bring some heavy rains and flooding to the eastern coast of Brazil. The square also covers eastern China and the west coast of Japan. South America will suffer the most.

The Sun and Jupiter, within 4° of each other, lie over Newfoundland and Central Brazil. They cojoin on the 27th. This should bring rising temperatures and lower humidity, but Jupiter is semisquare Mars, and the Mars influence will bring not only an intensification but also some heavy thunderstorm activity. Jupiter also is semisextile to Mercury, and applying square to Neptune, so it won't all be pleasant. Hail where Mars lies on or squares the meridian with the thunderstorms and wind is possible. Mars squares through the western Plain states at 99W. This is both a tornado warning, and for Mexico, a seismic warning. Jupiter, having left the square to Uranus, moves rapidly to square Neptune on April 5. March will be a month of rapidly changing weather. Jupiter has at last reached northern declination, which will also improve the temperatures in the northern latitudes.

Mars is over the western edge of the African bulge and over the south island of New Zealand, squaring over the Aleutians as well as the western plains.

Venus is not being very kind this spring. Starting off in Aquarius over the Mississippi Valley with a sextile to Saturn to lower temperatures, a semisquare to Neptune promises slower moving cold fronts across the east coast, rain with rising temperatures to bring flood warnings, then moving to sextile Uranus for a cold wave flowing east. She squares the meridian over central France through Africa, and through western China.

Mercury with his sextile to Neptune and semisextile to Jupiter lies on the mid west U.S. from Hudson Bay, down through Florida and Panama. In the east he lies over central China to Indonesia and Sumatra. Temperatures should rise, some humidity, misty around the Great Lakes, or any water. Some winds. In the east, Mercury squares the meridian through Germany, and over Cameroon (Africa).

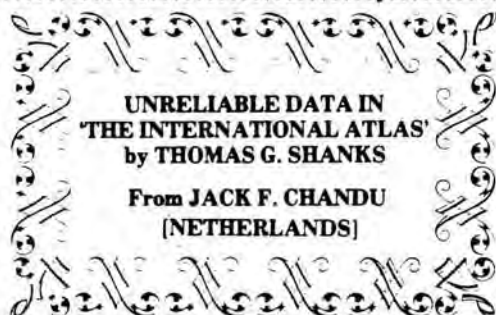
The Moon runs over the Aleutians as well as the western part of North America. She squares the meridian almost over Washington, D.C., through Cuba to the west coast of Ecuador. Before the day is over, the Moon will oppose Chiron who squares the meridian over the eastern states. The opposition will be over Lybia to South Africa. The Moon brings moisture, Chiron in Gemini may tend to dry some of that up. Observation will tell.

Pluto runs over the Atlantic Ocean to just touch the edge of the African bulge. In the east he crosses Kamchatka, down over the Solomon Islands thru the Pacific. He squares the meridian over the eastern Rockies, with the separating semisquare to Uranus, Neptune is also applying to the sextile. Cold with late snows in the far north, a warming trend melting snows in the south, with the possibilities of some flooding.

May will be a very unsettled month, rather tumultuous in spots. Mars opposes Saturn on the 6th over the Alaskan Penn. and Greece thru Lybia and South Africa. This brings intense atmospheric disturbances and destructive windstorms. It is also a seismic indicator. The Sun cojoins Mercury on May 7th, always brings vicious winds and cooling temperatures. Mars opposes Uranus on May 14th, a tornado breeder but also eruptive violence. The line runs through Greece, Lybia and South Africa, and the Alaskan Peninsula, squaring the east coast states again, May 23 brings Mercury opposite Saturn which is more potent for seismic activity than for weather, then May 24th brings Venus opposite Pluto for heavy rains on the east coast of the U.S., and finally Mercury opposite Uranus on May 27th, more violent winds, this time the west coast may feel the affects through the square. Not good!

The Helio chart is very interesting in its emphasis. Mars, Venus, Chiron and Uranus all cover the same area. Helio Venus sits on Geo. Saturn. Helio Saturn is opposite Geo. Chiron. Mars at 18 Gemini is applying to Chiron at 20 Gemini, both are opposing Venus at 21 Sagg, who is applying to Uranus at 23

Sagg! In Longitude, this covers the area from 17E to 23E, which takes in Poland, Athens, Lybia to South Africa. Venus joins Uranus on the 22nd, while Mars and Chiron should cojoin on the 24/25th. Transposed to the western Hemisphere this takes in the Alaskan Penn., squares eastern Canada and Maine down thru the western coast of South America. That would bring cold to the north east, but I would suspect seismic preparations for South America and Greece may occur. With such heavy aspects involving Chiron, it will be interesting to see.



Unfortunately I have to point out that the information about Indonesia was copied - **without my permission** - from my own work on international time changes (mentioned in the bibliography at the end of his book), now out of print.

The author did not do any painstaking research at all, otherwise he would have had spotted immediately one obvious printing error in my book. A comparison with all other books on time changes could have made this clear to him! Also a few intentionally made differences from the official files - which I used with permission from the authorities - were copied by him, proving that he did not have access to the original sources! Otherwise he would not have published the same differences I put in to detect plagiarism! A warning about this was given in my book.

Still worse, in many cases the day and hour of the occurrence of a change of time, are inventions and not true! I was in the Dutch Indies during the Japanese occupation and some time after, and can speak and read the Indonesian language fluently. At that time as a beginning astrologer - and I am still working as a full time professional astrologer - I did research on time changes in the country where I was born, together with some members of the NIVAS (prewar society of Dutch East Indian astrologers), who survived the concentration camps like me. We are the ones that painstakingly collected information about the change of time from prewar times zones to Japanese time and back by searching through old Indonesian newspapers and visiting or writing to hundreds of town councils for information. It was also the prewar NIVAS-members who collected the dates of the beginning of standard time for the different towns separately. Also in this information the intentionally put in differences were copied in 'The International Atlas'!

A big blunder the author made, is that he gives in several tables the returning from wartime to Indonesian time zones as August 1, 1945, at 0h00m. This is impossible, as war ended August 18th. But even then the clocks were only gradually changed, not only town by town as was in the beginning of the Japanese time, but really home by home! For several months in several towns two times were used officially, one by the revolting Indonesian groups and one by the occupational forces and later on the Dutch, with a difference of 1½ hours. I know, I was there and have seen it myself.

Unfortunately I found also wrong information about Netherlands, New Guinea and the Netherlands, e.g. as beginning of the standard time for the Netherlands he gives May 1st 1982. I have however proven that in many towns standard time was already in use before this time or came in use afterwards.

For the liberation of the southern part of Holland the author gives times as the beginning of the time change that are not correct. Except for some towns, most people changed there clocks spontaneously in accordance with the time used by the

liberators on the same day to a few days after the liberation. So no exact time (and in many cases even day) of time change exists. So the given times are in some cases invented. Most research about the time changes were done by the late Else Parker, one of the foremost astrologers in Holland at that time.

In the past 40 years I have traveled more than 450.000 km all over the world and have been to almost all countries in the world. Everywhere I did research on the changes of time in those countries of course with the help of hundreds of people from those countries. In my work I gave credit to every person who helped me to reliable information, translations a.s.o. We contacted the best available sources, e.g. astronomical observatories, war museums, private collections, newspaper and airline files and were granted in many cases to make notes or photocopies from the original information. We found much valuable material, but also noticed several times that original information was no longer available, due to destruction of the archives.

I checked some of my information with that of his book, but found many differences. In fact too many to make the other information reliable enough for astrologers. Therefore, I must warn serious astrologers to use his information with utmost care, especially the information from before and during World War II.

To my knowledge the most reliable information about certain countries, that in many cases showed only small differences with my information from other sources, are those published in 'Astro-Psychological Problems' by Francoise Gauquelin.

15 December, 1986

Dear **Mercury Hour**,

This letter is a response to Mr. Jack F. Chandu's charge that the information in 'The International Atlas' is not reliable.

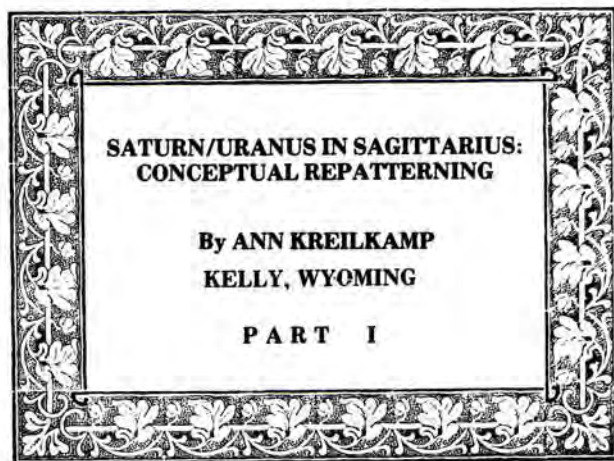
There were many sources utilized in the preparation of the Atlas. These are listed in the Bibliography. The most important were Doane's 'Time Changes in the World', Le Corre's 'Regimes Horaires pour l'Europe et l'Afrique' (in French), the monthly publication of 'Official Airline Guide', and the various contributions on national time changes published in Francoise Gauquelin's 'Astro-Psychological Problems'. In addition, much material was gathered from both the 'New York Times' and the 'London Times' on microfilm.

Mr. Chandu's work 'Time Changes in the World' was the major source of information on Indonesia and one of the sources used on the Netherlands. This source was considered primary for Indonesia, and if errors present in this volume have been reproduced in 'The International Atlas', there was no reason to think that other sources should be considered more accurate. Where this reference was incomplete, it was supplemented by other sources, particularly in dating the Japanese occupation. An author or publisher's permission is only required when material from a text is quoted verbatim or reproduced.

It is true that when the time observance changed in an area over a period of time, one needed to choose a fixed date and use this, at least for the objective of rigid tables, such as those required for computer use. We have endeavored in such cases to make the kind of considered judgment which an informed person would make for himself. Again, if a source gave a month, but no day, it was necessary to estimate a day, which was usually chosen as the first day of the month.

Finally, Astro Computing is always interested in learning of points of error or omission, either in the time observances or in the geographical coordinates. Many individuals have been helpful in suggesting corrections or providing information about new laws. The first update of information supplementing the printed material was available in May 1986. A second update is now available, documenting time observances known to be in error and revisions for the years 1986 and 1987, since the publications of the Atlas. For a copy, write to ACS Publications, P.O. Box 16430, San Diego, CA 92116.

Thomas Shanks, ACS Publications



We would once again like to thank Ann Kreilkamp for allowing us to reprint one of her articles. Ann is a very gifted writer who reaches out and touches a chord within me whenever I read her articles. The on-going Saturn-Uranus conjunction through this year and next will be explored in depth by many. This is the first offering that I've encountered and was very pleased with the interpretation.

The following is the first segment of a series of articles she is doing exploring the implications of Saturn and Uranus.

JEWELL

INTRODUCTION

For the past 16 years the sign Sagittarius has been emphasized in the heavens. This emphasis is about to end. What we still need to absorb from the current situation must be accomplished during the next two years, 1987 and 1988. That which we crystalize during this brief time will serve as the conceptual seed pattern for those material forms to be built during the next emphasized sign, Capricorn.

Uranus, the planet of sudden and revolutionary change, has been in the philosophical sign of Sagittarius since November, 1981. Saturn, the planet of form and disciplines, has been there since November, 1985. These two planets were preceded by Neptune, the planet of mystery, of the invisible, of that which lies beyond physical form. Neptune journeyed through Sagittarius between 1970 and 1984. Those were the years when the gurus from the mysterious East came to America, years when the words "spirit" and "spirituality" gradually infiltrated, began to resonate within.

During these Sagittarian years we are being invited to open our minds, wide; to stretch our capacity for understanding way beyond what we were taught in schools. In almost every area of knowledge foundations are being shattered, repatterned; and old disciplines, long buried, are being unearthed and revalued. Metaphysical bookstores bulge with new materials. A whole new kind of university has taken shape, which has an entirely different core curricula and whose classrooms are the living rooms and YWCA's of cities and small towns all over America. Local and traveling teachers offer workshops, lectures, intensives, books, pamphlets, audio and video tapes.

And now, especially during the past several years, Jane Roberts' famous spirit entity "Seth" has been joined by others with names like "Ramtha" and "Lazaris" and "Bartholemew." What used to be a special and unique method of transmitting knowledge is becoming commonplace. More and more "channels" are opening up, each claiming to link heaven and earth by taking temporary residence in and speaking through the mouths of otherwise ordinary human beings.

In all cases which I know of, these entities claim to be speaking Truth which we should know about. Truth which, since we are earthbound and timebound, we presumably cannot get hold of without being told by these extraterrestrial sources.

I am entranced as anyone by the information coming in through some of these channels. And like others, I tend to put my faith in a channel more readily than I do in another merely

human being. But let us notice here, our usual longing for another quick fix, an other hero or guru, some source outside to pin our hopes on. And let us remember that while it tends to be dramatic in presentation, and often extraordinary in the information received, channelling is still subject to the same distortions, the same pretenses, the same outright lies, as any other form of communication. How do we know who is really a channel, who is just faking? How can we prove that what anybody, even a real "channel," says is true? How, in these airy metaphysical realms, do we evaluate any statement at all?

These questions are not easily answered. The usual ways of assessing truth are scientific. Science is designed to deal with "the facts," what can be decided through some kind of experimental or experiential test. The kind of truth coming in now is not scientific, but metaphysical, and therefore not decidable through the methods of science.

Scientific truth comes under the aegis of the sign Gemini. The sign opposite to Gemini is Sagittarius, currently emphasized in the heavens. Inside the realm of Sagittarius, we are all channels, not necessarily by receiving the utterances of some spirit entity, but directly, through intuition.

Intuition, a God-like ability and always surprising when it comes, is a specifically Sagittarian gift: our capacity to suddenly see and grasp an idea whole, and to know, without having to prove it, whether or not that idea is true.

THE INTUITIVE MIND

The mind we have been trained to use in schools is left brained. It assumes that the source of all knowledge lies in sensation, so-called bits of data picked up through the five outer senses. Intuitive knowledge, on the other hand, channels ideas which appear to come in from nowhere. Intuition has its source in a mysterious and invisible dimension, beyond the ordinary world of the five outer senses. Working without logic, in nonlinear fashion, intuition is wholistic, right brained, unpredictable.

Unlike ordinary methods of knowing, intuition is not something to strive for, not something for which Ph.D's are given. Indeed, the more years one spends in school, the less likely one will be able to even remember, much less use and value, his or her intuition. Intuition is a gift—a gift from a dimension beyond this one, in which ideas circle the globe, waiting for us to simply open and receive them. (In this context then, anybody who opens to this larger world can be called a "channel," with or without the spirit entity as transmitter.)

One and the same idea can be grasped by many individuals, often at the same time. When this occurs in science, and it often does, we call it serendipity. Remember Darwin and Wallace, who simultaneously discovered the current theory of evolution. At the other extreme, when serendipity occurs in fashion design we call it a fad. In both cases, ideas are gained through the intuitive mode of learning. They are not really ours; they come to us, yes, we are sometimes so gifted. But to assume that because we "have" an idea we therefore own it, is to misunderstand both the creative process and the mysterious and essentially impersonal world from within which it arises.

Since the emphasized sign is Sagittarius, what is emerging through intuition now is philosophical, a new paradigm, or world view, a changed conceptual framework for interpreting the universe and our place in it. The word "paradigm," more and more in common use, is vital to our misunderstanding of the changes which are taking place now. It is a word which first entered the vernacular via the philosophy of science in 1970 through Thomas Kuhn's book, "Structure of Scientific Revolutions". Then, as Uranus entered Sagittarius in 1981, this word was given more popular formulation by Marilyn Ferguson in her book, "The Aquarian Conspiracy." Six years later, we are beginning to use this word with ease. However, it is still widely misunderstood.

THE MEANING OF THE WORD "PARADIGM"

To begin to understand what a paradigm is, think how it is to have a set of glasses on, with a certain prescription. You do not normally notice your glasses themselves, though you could if you wanted to. Those glasses are a constant, always there,

and therefore not worth looking at. You look through them; they function as a set of parameters for interpreting the world around you.

You were not born with these glasses on; rather, they are part and parcel of what our culture teaches you as a child. According to Jean Piaget, preeminent developmental psychologist and genetic epistemologist, by the time a child is 12 years old, s/he has grasped the world as his or her culture sees it. S/he has built a model of that world inside his or her head, and can now operate with the world in absentia, using the abstract model, manipulating ideas according to the rules of formal logic.

By the time we are 12 years old, says Piaget, we have incorporated the paradigm of our 20th Century scientific culture. By this time, our minds are split from our bodies; they function independently, no longer interacting directly with reality. Instead, they interact with a mental map of reality, our expectations of what that reality should be, based upon our experience of what it has been in the past. Piaget seems to think this is a good thing. And certainly it is the normal thing. Unfortunately, if we take our maps that seriously, if we insert them between ourselves and the world around us, then we assume the world doesn't change; worse, we grow frightened and confused when it does.

FROM ONE PARADIGM TO ANOTHER

Our conditioning takes place during the formative years. By the time we are 12 years old our glasses are on us, intact, permanent, and, Piaget assumes, inviolate. Only we don't know it. We consider this left-brain thinking "rational," "objective," because it is logical, and operates according to irrational assumptions we picked up without thinking from the moment we were born.

Those glasses are not on our faces at all, not observable; they exist inside our heads, where we do not see them; they are our paradigm, and since they have the same prescription as everybody else's glasses, we call ourselves normal, sane. On the other hand, according to the radical British psychiatrist R.D. Laing, our scientific culture is insane, and therefore those who go mad are the only sane ones around.

Before Laing, madness was a dirty word, and those who went mad were shunned. (In polite society the term was "nervous breakdown.") Now we are New Age, and with Laing, we advocate change, radical change, and call it "transformation." We are taking off the old set of glasses, the old prescription with which we viewed the world, and seek to create a new paradigm, one which will overcome the limitations of the old.

The business of the transits of first, Neptune, and now Uranus and Saturn, through the sign of Sagittarius is to create this new paradigm. And this work, remember, is almost finished. Briefly, in early 1988, and then finally, by December of 1988, both Uranus and Saturn will have entered Capricorn: Whatever new conception of the world we have by that time envisioned will stand for hundreds of years. (It will take hundreds of years before Neptune, Uranus and Saturn all transit through Sagittarius close upon one another's heels.)

LETTING GO

To create this new paradigm we must, first, really let go of the old one. And to do that we must become consciously aware of its deep structural characteristics. This is difficult to do. We need to focus on the obvious, on what we take for granted, on what is so plain, so evident, that we aren't likely to notice it. The structural features of the old paradigm run along unrecognized. They effect, at deep levels, everything we see and do and say. Until we make a point of noticing them, they seem to be a part of our very nature, or essence. This deep structure interprets the world for us; it functions as a set of blinkers, limiting us to only certain ways of perceiving. If our beliefs could be said to be like drops of water in a river, then, in order for the structure of our beliefs to change, the riverbed itself must shift its course.

To let go of the old paradigm we must "change our minds." Not just our conscious minds, but our unconscious minds as well. Not just particular beliefs must change, one by one,

piecemeal; the entire context within which our beliefs are embedded must also be dissolved. As the philosophers Michael Polanyi and Ludwig Wittgenstein first noted more than three decades ago, our beliefs nest together—not so much the way logical systems do, as the way families do.

Like families, our beliefs resonate together, they resemble one another in all sorts of ways, some of the obvious, others uncanny. Again, like families, our beliefs stick together, or they feud, but both agreement and disagreement must be seen as occurring within a larger, more common ground.

The underlying rules which define what is considered agreement and disagreement are the same no matter who wins or loses. We have to inhabit the same world in order to even begin to argue about what exists inside it. For example, only dualists argue about which of two opposing positions are better. Another person might see both positions as positive and negative poles defining the end-points of one line. This person lives in a world larger than the one the dualist lives in. The dualist inhabits one paradigm, the other person inhabits another, more spacious paradigm. Likewise, no matter how seemingly opposed our ideologies, we can still argue with Mr. Gorbachev. But we cannot approach the Australian bushman with the same concerns and expect to be understood. The world the bushman inhabits is natural, it has no room for ideology.

Our beliefs co-exist together with other, less conceptual, mental stuff: values, attitudes, criteria of all kinds; priorities, wishes, hunches, ways of going about learning and remembering—all these must be noticed, called into question, subject to conscious review. This complex and confusing situation functions as the substratum, or web, within which all our beliefs settle into place. As we dig down to find the elements of this deeper context for beliefs, as we start to pull on its edges, to lift it out of its long held place, we discover just how all pervasive it has been, how limiting.

Let me give an example of what I call an element of the deeper context for beliefs, what I will call "the dogmatic attitude." I choose this particular example because it is so all-pervasive, so little-noticed, and so pernicious. The dogmatic attitude still dominates the political world of nation-states and their governments. It is an attitude which encourages patriotism, and makes cannon fodder of those willing to die for their country's beliefs. At last count, I read that there were over 40 nations at war in the fall of 1986. That's about one-third of all the nations on earth. I don't remember who said that all wars were religious wars, but I believe it.

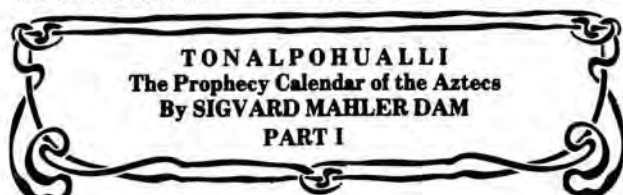
The dogmatic attitude, once transformed and revised by the new paradigm emerging now, will encourage the kind of atmosphere necessary to bring about peaceful coexistence on our small and endangered planet.

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It is a pleasure for me to present an old system of Astrology, which is very different from Babylonian Astrology, yet the result is the same in the end. There are, unfortunately,

many fairy-tales surrounding the Indian culture; people talk with sparkling eyes of connections with Atlantis and other fantasy cultures. I do not know if it is like that in your country, but with this article and my lectures in Denmark, I am trying to make people look through the veil and see the Indian culture with a new clear sight.

"Seven times there has been the opening of the sealed katun of six Ahau, the katun of Kinich Kakmo, at Uxmal. In the appointed union, the faces of the lords express their appreciation of his words, when he enters. Suffice it that they concede the enchantment of the authority of Pop and the authority of Zam in operation.

Suffice it that they learn the true nature of the stars. And if they should have misunderstood, they ask that they may be corrected promptly. The men ask for a judgment in silence. The people in our midst shall grieve for food until the passing of the katun of six Ahau. At Chacmitan [a Mayan town] there will also be much subsisting on trees, much subsisting on stones. Hunger will be their burden.

They die; he who is of Pop and he who is of Zam. If true men cut their own throats, to the people will be left only what resembles the approach to a blank wall, a being left on the outside. Since no one ever arrives who travels by an evil road, the people weigh their words, whatever they may be, lest there be almost no end to lies.

When trees grow in the land, when rocks grow in the land [i.e. there is no agriculture, the people have abandoned their ploughs], when it happens for the third time that they dwell in peace and serenity of life in Chacmitan, then there will come a recompense for the ancient hunger.

Three times they will have the authority of Zam for government, three times the authority of Pop. In the fourth tun [i.e. the fourth year, 1976], they shall see an increase in the prosperity of the state and in the prosperity of the lords. Finally a day will come when there will be no more uprooting in the land, when it has been overthrown once again. There will be no more festival days to honour the authority of Pop and the authority of Zam. And why should healing not come to the country? This is the prophecy of the katun when it comes. This is the aspect from ancient times of katun six Ahau. Vale."

This is the Maya's 'seer-jaguar's ancient prophecy for the period of time called the katun six Ahau, which began in the summer of 1973 and ends in the year 1993. Pop and Zam are calendar gods: Pop is 'he who represents authority', and Zam is 'he who works miracles'. The prophecy is from the Chilam Balam book of Tizimin.

Only a few realize that the Indians of Central America - before Christianity made its sanguinary entry - had a well-developed astrological system, which they used to predict the fate of human beings as well as the fate of nations. Furthermore, they were skilled astronomers and mathematicians, which indeed is a preconditioned for astrological calculations. A few places, for instance in Guatemala (old Maya country), have oppressed remnants of this ancient knowledge which have survived among the local fortune tellers, but beyond this we may with sorrow ascertain that an amazing science has now almost sunk into oblivion, thanks to the Christians' all too effective persecution of the native astrologers and their sacred books. In the following pages, we shall attempt to recall some of this ancient knowledge.

EUROPEAN FANTASIES

I notice with regret that over the centuries many have tried to reconcile Indian lore with their own book knowledge and peculiar theories. The Indians have been regarded as the lost tribes of Israel, or even astronauts from outer space. All the different fairy-tales that people like von Daniken, Heyerdahl, Homet and many others invent in order to line their pockets, tell with ever-changing inventiveness how the Indian astronomers, astrologers and priests etc. came from Egypt in a sinking rush canoe, or came from E.T. space ship, and then have taught the ignorant natives the secret sciences. They never ascribe to the Indians any degree of enlightenment or originality, and it is evident that it is the conquerors ('the wonderful Europeans') who write about the losers ('the inferior Indians').

The close observer will, after reading the following presentation of the astronomical and mathematical facts, quickly reject these awkward theories. The Astrology, calendar and mathematics of these civilizations are clearly not something that has been handed over to them from a high culture in the so-called 'old world', but developed on Indian ground, in Indian minds. These systems are actually so different from the systems of the 'old world', that one realizes that they have no roots in common.

Points of resemblance among some African words and some words of an Indian dialect have given fertile soil to theories of the Indians' negroid origin. The discovery of a few figurines with negroid features have also given rise to such theories, as people apparently ignore thousands of other figurines with none of these features. And of course, fabulous countries like Atlantis and Mu have been a kind of bridge for enormous migrations. Never have the Indians been regarded as being very inventive, because the speculations about their origin are all full-blown in the minds of the 'old world', who would rather trace the ancestors of the Indians back to the high cultures of the Mediterranean area.

Ancient Greeks like Homer, Horace (Horace was a Roman! ED.), Plato and others spoke of distant countries beyond the 'Herculean pillars' at Gibraltar. The idea that these countries belonged to a continent which sank into the sea does not seem probable, as there is no anthropological resemblance between the cultures that belong to the countries on each side of the 'lost' Atlantis or Mu. As we have seen, apparent points of resemblance have caused great speculation, and whenever a beautiful 'armchair migration theory' has to fit, it has always been convenient to let a continent sink, thereby creating the needed plausibility.

THE INVENTION OF THE CIPHER 'ZERO'

In fact the Indians possessed a great deal of originality, and it is very interesting to realize that the Mayas lead in the invention of the nought! The conception of 'nought' is a very abstract idea, which in the 'old world' was developed very late. Neither the Babylonians, the Egyptians, the Greeks nor the Romans had a 'nought'. Since the Mayas were able to imagine this concept and use it in their calculations, why should they then not be able to invent the rest of their ideas without help from astronauts or Egyptians? The scientist A.L. Kroeber has expressed his opinion on this subject very clearly, so I shall cite him:

"It is interesting to note that the Mayas were the first of the two peoples (i.e. of the 'old' and 'new' world) who fully realized the nought-idea. The mathematical and calendar system of which it was part, was developed and in use at about the time of the birth of Christ. It was possibly older, because it must have developed over a certain period of time. The Hindus made their nearest approach to our ciphers as early as the second century AD, but still **without** the nought, which was first introduced in the 6th or - according to some authorities - in the 9th century. That the Mayas took the leading place must impair those arguments, stated from time to time, that the old American religion, zodiac and writing system were derived from Asia. If the nought was their own invention, why not the rest of their advanced culture, too? There is no other alternative for the naive migrationist than to reverse the procedure and explain the Egyptian and Babylonian cultures as a result of a Maya-invasion from Yucatan!"

JULIAN AND GREGORIAN CALENDAR

"I am a Jew. Hath not a Jew eyes? Hath not a Jew hands, organs, dimensions, senses, affections, passions? Fed with the same food, hurt with the same weapons, subject to the same diseases, healed by the same means, warmed and cooled by the same winter and summer, as a Christian? If you prick us, do we not bleed? If you tickle us, do we not laugh? If you poison us, do we not die? And if you wrong us, shall we not seek revenge? If we are like you in the rest, we will resemble you in that..."

These are Shakespeare's wise words (Merchant of Venice, Act III) regarding discrimination against other human races, which applies to the Indians as well as to the Jews. This was not the attitude taken up by the Spaniards of the early 16th

century. In their eagerness to make conquests, take slaves, propagate Christianity and last but not least, to quench their mighty gold-thirst, they were as Europeans often are, too blind to realize that the culture they were subduing could be more developed in the sciences than they themselves were.

In those days they used the Julian calendar, and were in fact ten days behind real Sun-time. Then in 1582, the Catholic world adopted the Gregorian calendar, but not until 1752 was it adopted in Great Britain and the Colonies (including North America). That means that while the Catholic world has had an exact calendar for 401 years, it is only 231 years ago that the English speaking world accepted real Sun-time. But it is known for sure that the Mayas used an exact calendar as early as the 6th or 7th century A.D.!

THE MAYAN CALENDAR

In the town Palenque lived the finest astrologers of the time. They had developed a very accurate calendar with an error of only one Moon in 3800 years - this little error seemed not to create any difficulties in the Maya cosmology. The temples had correction-formulae to be used in the leap-year, for the Moon calendar, also Venus-formulae etc. All very accurate.

But then came the fateful year 682 A.D., when the town of Copan called all the astrologers to an assembly, and a new correction was made: 19 years equal 235 Moons (as we should say, one Solar year is of 365.2420 days length - see Table I). Palenque still claimed that their correction was the only true one...and lost! They suffered a political blow, and the astrologers of Copan became the leaders of Mayan culture.

This event is depicted on a stone-relief at Copan (now in Honduras). We see the astrologers sitting in a row in eager discussion; from the highland are astrologers of the Quiche and Cakchiquel people with their turbans, there are natives of Copan, and among many others the lowland Mayas from Palenque who had backed the wrong horse. The new calendarial correction was then applied to every Maya town, and commemorated on stone monuments all over the country. Now came a busy time for the Copan astrologers. Calculations were made, and stelae were set up in the 'New Style' every five years. One Stela shows dates covering 100,000 years. In the town Quirigua - not far from Copan - is a stela with calculations which reach back 400 million years! These calculations usually include the positions of the Moon, Venus and Mars. It was a busy time indeed.

The Mayas had developed a most efficient calendar, enabling them, by a combination of 13 numbers, 20 day-signs, 18 months, and their different eras, and also by the position of the Moon, Venus and Mars counted from their 'beginning of time', to pinpoint with complete accuracy a particular day within a period of 370,000 years.

The basic idea is that time runs in circles, and events will repeat themselves. The course of time is divided into 'katuns', that is, 20-year periods in which the astrologers noted all events in a sacred book. These books were sealed up and hidden in a temple until the same katun recurred 260 years later, when the ancient book was reopened, and the astrologers and priests scrutinized and investigated the dangers and blessings expected during the next 20 years. It is such a prophecy which opens this article. In all there are 13 katuns - 260 years - which comprise a baktun; 13 baktuns make up a greater span of time, and so on. This calendar was not used to predict the 'fate of individuals, but relates in a way to the quabalistic 'world horoscope', which we know the French-Jewish astrologer and magus, Nostradamus, used in the 16th century.

ASTRONOMICAL SUPERIORITY

From all the inscriptions we realize, as said before, that the Mayan calendar does not repeat itself until 370,000 years have gone by, a space of time one should think was long enough for any people. We learn that the astrologers of the fertile jungle-country predicted eclipses, and calculated the lunar phases with an error of less than a third of a day within 100 years. A long time - even very long - before the 'old world' had just the weakest idea of astronomical accuracy, the 'new world's' magician/priests were skilled astronomers. When we compare our most modern tables of eclipses past and future, we

see that the 1000 year old Mayan tables agree with ours. We use the finest and most modern instruments to help us. Thanks to them we can measure greater fractions and further distances, yet in spite of all this we have not reached much beyond the astronomy of the Mayas. But we who have the 'old world's' culture behind us still claim to have developed all culture and civilization.

Table 1: The Length of the Year measured in the different calendars

according to modern astronomy:	365.2422 days
according to the Mayas:	365.2420 "
according to the Gregorian calendar:	365.2425 "
according to the Julian calendar:	365.2500 "

[Only] recently have astronomers calculated the length of the year more correctly than the Mayas. It is now measured as 365.2422 days (see Table I). The Mayan astrologers were aware of the disproportion between their calendar-year and the true Solar Year, and by means of a 'secondary series' of tables they corrected the accumulated error, these formulae being slightly more correct than our Gregorian leap-year.

THE MOON'S MOTION

The Mayas made progress in measuring the duration of the Lunar period also. According to modern astronomy the Moon takes 29.53059 days to circle around Mother Earth. As Mayan arithmetic has no fractions, how could astrologers arrive at such a difficult fraction as .5309 of a day? The problem was solved by the same method that we use to keep our calendar year in harmony with the solar year by a leap-year correction. We have three years of 365 days followed by a fourth 366 days. Centuries divisible by 400 are leap-years as well. This method gives a slight over-correction every four years, which is compensated by an under-correction every century. That system of balances and approximations keeps the calendar in close harmony with the Solar year.

The Mayas must have tried out different periods; at first a Lunar period of 30 days, but soon they realized that the New Moons fell behind the calendar. Then they tried a 29-day month, only to find out that now it was the calendar that fell behind. When this happened they may have tried alternating periods of 29 and 30 days. This also failed, because the mean period of such an alternation is 29.5 days: as the exact value is 29.53059 days, this calendar differs by .03059 of a day every lunar period, an error which grows to a whole day over 2½ years.

Then, at last, the astrologers developed the exact Lunar month from this trial and error method, and in an old Maya hieroglyphic manuscript (codex Dresdensis) they have written down the formula for the Moon's motion. Four hundred five consecutive Lunar periods (which is 32¼ years) are presented in this book, arranged in 69 groups. The groups are usually composed of six periods each, but sometimes only five. The 60 six-period groups are each composed of either 178 or 177 days, dependent on whether three or four lunar periods of 30 days are used. Like this: 30+29+30+29+30+30=178 days. Or, 30+29+30+29+30+29=177 days. Each of the remaining nine five period groups are composed of 30+29+30+29+30=148 days. All the days are, of course, indicated by their special day signs, the hieroglyphs which we shall meet later on, so that astrologers could distinguish one day from another.

These pages of the ancient book are in fact tables of Solar eclipses, because the closing-dates of each of the 69 groups are days upon which an eclipse of the Sun is visible somewhere on Earth. The extra 30-day Lunar months are so well fitted in, that at no time during these 32¼ years has the difference between the calendar and the appearance of the New Moon reached a whole day.

The deity of the Moon is also a goddess in this country. She was called Ix Chel, and after the conquest was identified by the Mayas as the Virgin Mary. She was the wife of the Sun, patroness of women in general, of pregnancy, childbirth and procreation. Besides, she was the goddess of medicine and disease, and connected with lakes, wells and underground water deposits. She was commonly called such names as 'Our Mother', 'Holy Mother', 'Grandmother', 'Mistress' and 'Lady Sea'. In one of the books she is seen hanging from the sky with a

rope around her neck, and is, in this connection, the goddess of suicide; during the times of certain aspects she misleads humans to commit this misdeed.

THE BRIGHTEST STAR: VENUS

The most important planet to all the Indians of Central America was Venus; so, of course, the astrologers paid a lot of attention to this heavenly body. The Mayans had at least two names for the planet: 'Nok ek', Great Star, and 'Xux ek', Wasp Star. They used the Pleiades and Gemini as guides at night to know the hour of the rising of the Morning Star. The synodical revolution of the planet takes about 583.920 days. The different revolutions are not of equal length, but run in series of five, of approximately 580, 587, 583, and 587 days each. The mean of this series of five revolutions around the Earth is 583.920 days. The Mayas allocated 584 days to the Venus period, but knew that this value was a little too high. Table II shows the four phases of Venus, the time we Europeans ascribe to them, and the time ascribed by the old Mayas: the differences are apparently dependent on the geographical sites of the two cultures.

A period of 584 days was too long for a synodical revolution as it accumulated an error of 8/100 of a day with every revolution, but after we have become acquainted with their astronomical accuracy, we need not doubt that the ancient astrologers knew how to correct this error! They had discovered an astronomical coincidence: eight Solar years ($8 \times 365 = 2,920$ days) equals five revolutions of Venus or five 'Venus Years' ($5 \times 584 = 2,920$ days). After this space of time had elapsed they held a ceremony: a convenient occasion to correct the Venus calendar which had fallen behind the true 'Venus Year' by 2/5 of a day every eight years.

Table 2: The Phases of Venus

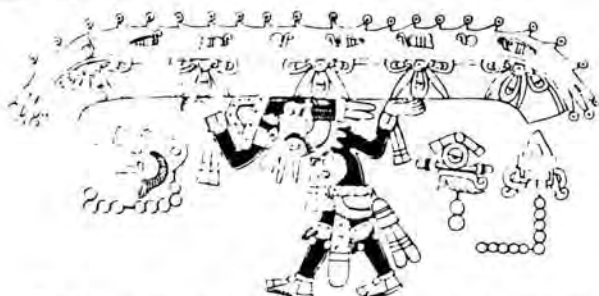
	Mayan	European
After inferior conjunction (Venus between Sun & Earth) Venus is the Morning Star for	236 days	240 days
At superior conjunction (Sun between Venus & Earth) Venus is invisible for	90 days	90 days
It reappears and remains as Evening Star for	250 days	240 days
At inferior conjunction it disappears for	8 days	14 days
The Venus period in all:	584 days	584 days

In the same hieroglyphic manuscript as the Lunar calendar the astrologers have included the Venus calendar. In fact this calendar is made up of three separate units, each composed of 65 synodical revolutions, which is the equivalent of 104 Solar years, although there is an overlap between them. At the two overlapping points a correction is inserted where the calendar year (of 584 days) overtakes the synodical revolution (of 583.920 days). At the end of the 57th Venus-Solar period in the first unit of the calendar, the accumulated error is eight days, but by 'leaping' back eight days from the last day of the first unit, the beginning date of the second unit is reached. At the end of the 61st Venus-Solar period in the second unit, an error of four days has accumulated, and again by going back four days prior to this date, the beginning date of the third unit of the Venus calendar is reached. By means of this table the Venus-Solar period was kept in accordance with the true movement of the planet for 384 years, before the accumulated error rendered the table useless and another table had to be made.

The Aztecs had three different male gods connected with Venus: A) The Feathered Serpent (or 'Precious Twin') - Quetzalcoatl in Aztec - the Morning Star, who also was God of the Winds when carrying his special mask (see fig. 1); B) Dog or Animal - Xolotl - the Evening Star and subtle twin of the former; C) Lord of the House of Dawn - Tlauizcalpantecuhtli - the spirit of the planet Venus as a whole.

Fig. 1: Quetzalcoatl The Feathered Serpent, Venus as the Morning Star, here shown in the shape of the Wind God, which can be seen by his long-beaked, somewhat stiff mask. In this illustration he is raising the firmament up from the waters during the creation of the Earth. The sky is the part with all the

bows, the so-called 'star eyes'. Above this is the water running off, with conches and shells. On the left is his name-hieroglyph derived from his birthday [as we shall see in part II]: nine Eecatl, or 'Nine Wind'. On the other side the day of the event: the day 'Two Rain' in the year 'Ten House' - the curl behind the latter signifies that it is a year-hieroglyph. [Drawn by the author, after the hieroglyphic manuscript Codex Vindobonensis Mexicanus 1].



This last is a severe lord, shown in the books throwing his spears at different sections of the population during his different phases. He has no resemblance at all with our classical, rather nauseatingly sweet goddess Venus, and my mind is carried back in time to the ancient Babylonian war-goddess Ishtar, Venus as Morning Star! This side of the planet seems to have been forgotten over the centuries.

The peaceful twin brothers play an important part in the divine comedy. The Feathered Serpent is the inventor of writing, of books and the calendar, the sacred representative of the priests. When he carries his 'windmask' he becomes lord of the winds, and also 'the wind of intelligence' blown into human beings at birth. Further, he also has in these countries a connection with love: the free and abandoned love which admits no ties.

Xolotl on the other hand, the Evening Star, forms a contrast to his brother: an unlucky god, often depicted as deformed, with all kinds of boils. He is the reverse of Venus' irrepressible love when carried too far, and therefore 'rewards' mankind with venereal diseases. He does not have his brother's bright mentality, but represents the unconscious side of the nature, led by instincts and intuition. He is the one who pushes the Sun down into the 'House of the Earth' in the evening, carrying this star on his shoulders through the Land of the Souls, until it must rise again in the east.

In this aspect Venus becomes the planet of reincarnation; at first the east gives birth to the beautiful Morning Star, the Feathered Serpent, who rises in the sky and becomes older, until as Evening Star he shows the mortality of the body and grows old, then to enter the Land of the Dead, where he remains for a time. Then he is once again transformed, born in the east as a new golden Morning Star. An edifying message, indeed!

***** TO BE CONTINUED *****

Part two of this article can be found in the 17th Extra Edition.

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I have just finished reading the book "Astrology and the Third Reich" (formerly titled by "Urania's Children") by Ellic Howe. On page 169 the author states that German/Swiss astrologer Karl Ernst Krafft predicted that "Hitler's life would be in danger between 7-10 November 1939 and actually used the expression 'possibility of an attempt at assassination by the use of explosive material' ". On November 9, 1939 Hitler narrowly escaped a bomb planted at the Burgerbrau beer hall in Munich. Transiting Saturn at this time was close to Hitler's Descendant but not close enough to make this kind of exact prediction. Does anyone know how Krafft made this prediction?



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THE HEART CENTER LIBRARY

An astrological library has long been a staff goal here at Matrix. My brother Stephen and I have collected astrological and metaphysical books since the early 60s. We both worked at Circle Books, the metaphysical bookstore that Stephen and his wife operated in Ann Arbor, Michigan from 1968 until 1974. At that time it was the largest bookstore of its kind in the midwest.

At any rate, it has been a dream of ours to help create a really first rate metaphysical library and make it available to the astrological community. With the establishment of the **Heart Center Library**, that dream is now a reality. Although the Heart Center was established in 1972, it was not until this year that we received tax exempt status under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Now that we are a charitable organization, the Heart Center Library, which until now, has concentrated on Indian and Tibetan texts (astrological and otherwise) is being expanded to include western astrological and metaphysical materials.

Both Stephen and my collections are part of the new library. But the best news is that research astrologer Gary Duncan, who has joined the Matrix staff is making his enormous personal collection available at the Heart Center Library. Until recently, the Duncan collection, packed in some 122 boxes, had been in storage filling a two-car garage from floor to ceiling. It has been trucked here from California and is in the process of being assembled for display.

We have dedicated the entire second floor of our new staff building (four rooms totalling 1,150 square feet of floor space) to be used for the Heart Center Library. We are now assembling 50 three-tier bookcases to hold the books that we have so far. The library rooms are attractively furnished with space for reading, conferences and study.

Both Gary and myself have had extensive library experience. I worked for a number of years at the University of Michigan libraries (one of the largest in the world) as a staff member. The Heart Center library is being catalogued and organized in a professional manner.

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The letter below I sent to the Editor of the skeptical Inquirer in response to their article, The Moon Was Full and Nothing Happened. A Review of Studies on the Moon and Human Behavior and Lunar Beliefs.

Dear Editor:

October 31, 1986

The question if there is a relationship between the phases of the Moon and women's menstrual cycle should be considered with the concept that the Moon is an influencing factor and not the only controlling cause. A women's cycle varies and should be regarded as a biological function similar to a person healing from a cut. The question should be: is the Moon a factor that may influence the timing of women's menstrual cycle?

Louise Lacey in her Book **LUNACEPTION** published by Warner Book in 1976, provided scientific proof that the light from the full Moon is a factor that influences a women's cycle. The few days of full Moon has a large increase of light we receive. For example, we receive just 10% of light at first quarter than at full Moon.

Louise Lacey has shown that it is the light from the Moon that is the influencing factor by sleeping in the dark except for three days when she slept under a white light bulb. Those three

days established her cycle.

This has also been confirmed by Dr. Edmond Dewan in American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology in December 1967. Also, Dr. Terry Howard, Dr. Ibrahim Seradj and Miriam Menkin conducted an experiment at Rock Reproductive Clinic in Brooklyn in 1966 and 1967. The subjects slept under a light bulb on the 14, 15, and 16 day of their cycle. This established their period. The advantage is that their period then becomes regular and predictable and so can be used to avoid or get pregnant.

The theory is that the light while a person sleeps influences the pineal gland which controls the menstrual cycle.

The phases of the Moon does have a profound effect on people. The light factor can be scientifically tested by young women as it affects their menstrual cycle. The bibliography for LUNACEPTION lists 137 sources, so there is no denying that there are numerous scientific reports about the effect of the Moon on life.

The Moon was full

And nothing happened they said.

The Moon was full

And nothing happened she said.

The Moon was full

And none believed what they said.

The Moon was full

And none believed what she said.

For the Moon was full

And all do know what they say

When the Moon is full

For all they say is aye, aye.

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To Jan Elkins, p. 59, 16th Extra. On my powerful TRS-80 Model I using Matrix' Time Traveler program I started to make a first of the year ephemeris for the Christian Era whenever I had extra time. Continued working on it when I upgraded to the Model 4. Now you and all MH readers can share in the results of this labor of love. Because this is dated from January 1st each year the change of sign could have happened any time from January 2 to December 31 the previous year. This should give a broad overview.

Pluto

Ari	109	354	599	844	1089	1334	1579	1824
Tau	140	385	630	874	1119	1364	1609	1855
Gen	171	416	661	906	1151	1395	1640	1888
Can	196	442	688	933	1179	1424	1669	
Leo	216	462	708	955	1201	1447	1693	
Vir	230	477	724	971	1218	1464	1711	
Lib	1	243	489	737	984	1231	1478	1725
Sco	7	254	501	748	995	1243	1490	1737
Sag	20	267	514	761	1008	1255	1502	1749
Cap	36	282	529	775	1022	1269	1515	1762
Aqu	55	301	547	794	1040	1286	1532	1779
Pie	80	325	571	816	1062	1307	1554	1779

Neptune

Ari	62	226	389	553	717	881	1045	1208	1372
Tau	75	239	403	567	730	894	1058	1222	1385
Gen	89	252	416	580	744	907	1071	1235	1399
Can	102	265	429	593	757	920	1084	1248	1412
Leo	115	279	442	606	770	934	1097	1261	1425
Vir	128	292	456	619	783	947	1111	1274	1438
Lib	142	306	469	633	797	960	1124	1288	1452

Sco	1	156	320	483	647	811	974	1138	1302	1465
Sag	6	170	334	497	661	825	988	1152	1316	1480
Cap	20	184	348	512	675	839	1003	1166	1330	1494
Aqu	35	198	362	526	689	853	1017	1181	1344	1508
Pie	48	212	376	540	703	867	1031	1195	1358	1522

Neptune

Ari	1536	1700	1863
Tau	1549	1714	1876
Gen	1562	1726	1891
Can	1575	1739	
Leo	1588	1752	
Vir	1602	1765	
Lib	1615	1779	
Sco	1629	1793	
Sag	1643	1807	
Cap	1658	1821	
Aqu	1672	1836	
Pie	1686	1849	

Uranus

Ari	3	86	170	254	338	421	505	589	672	756	840
Tau	10	94	177	261	345	429	512	596	680	764	847
Gen	17	101	184	268	352	436	519	603	687	771	854
Can	23	107	191	275	358	442	526	610	693	777	861
Leo	29	113	197	281	364	448	532	616	700	783	867
Vir	35	119	203	287	371	454	538	622	706	789	873
Lib	42	125	209	293	377	461	544	628	712	796	879
Sco	48	132	216	300	383	467	551	635	718	802	886
Sag	55	139	223	307	389	474	558	642	725	809	893
Cap	63	147	230	314	398	481	565	649	733	816	900
Aqu	71	154	238	322	406	489	573	657	740	824	908
Pie	79	162	246	330	413	497	581	665	748	830	916

Uranus

Ari	924	1007	1091	1175	1258	1342	1426	1510	1593
Tau	931	1015	1099	1182	1266	1350	1433	1517	1601
Gen	938	1022	1106	1189	1273	1357	1441	1524	1608
Can	945	1028	1112	1196	1280	1364	1447	1531	1615
Leo	951	1035	1118	1202	1286	1370	1454	1537	1621
Vir	957	1041	1125	1208	1292	1376	1460	1543	1627
Lib	963	1047	1131	1215	1298	1382	1466	1550	1633
Sco	970	1053	1137	1221	1305	1389	1472	1556	1640
Sag	977	1060	1144	1228	1312	1395	1479	1563	1647
Cap	984	1068	1151	1235	1319	1403	1486	1570	1654
Aqu	992	1075	1159	1243	1326	1410	1494	1578	1662
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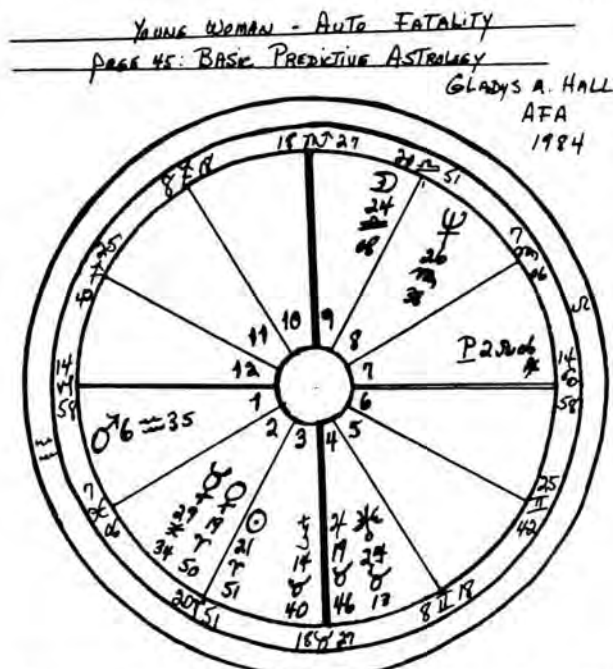
Uranus

Ari	1677	1761	1845
Tau	1685	1768	1852
Gen	1692	1776	1859
Can	1698	1782	1866
Leo	1705	1789	1872
Vir	1711	1785	1879
Lib	1717	1801	1885
Sco	1724	1807	1891
Sag	1730	1814	1898
Cap	1738	1821	

Aqu 1745 1829
Pie 1753 1837

I have an 11 page 45° graphic ephemeris of Uranus, Neptune and Pluto's transits from the year 1 AD to 1920.

I have these transits on a 45° graph (11 pages) from the year 1 A.D. to 1920. This is not great draftsmanship. In fact some of the pages have white out or paste ups to cover my errors. I'm willing to share them with anyone who will send \$1.50 to cover copying, packaging and mailing.



CHARLOTTE TUTON, Wellesley, MA November 1, 1986

RE: Predictions or analyses of dire outcomes. The esteemed and distinguished astrologer, Gladys M. Hall states, "... as you can see, Neptune, the planet of deception, is in the 8th House in the sign Virgo, ruled by Mercury, the planet that rules transportation. Natal Mercury is in direct opposition to natal Neptune, and in the sign Pisces which is ruled by Neptune. Mercury rules the senses as we have seen, as well as travel. With this kind of aspect, it would seem that the young woman's unfortunate death while traveling was almost inevitable." (Underlining mine)

FRANK JAKUBOWSKY, Oakland, CA October 30, 1986

Re: 16th extra: Zane Stein. In my theory life's circle of elements I relate 12 chemical elements with biological systems. The elements and biological systems relates to the signs. Sodium relates to Leo. Potassium relates to Taurus. Iodine relates to Virgo. I don't think you can directly relate the elements to a planet but maybe you can associate it to the planet that rules the sign.

Lithium is not one of the 12 foundation elements. Its effects is such that I would say it is similar to the element magnesium. They both cause the body to relax. This means it could probably be associated with the sign of Libra. I think the increased use of lithium in our society can be related to the time Pluto transited the sign of Libra.

The thyroid gland relates to the fifth psychic center or the throat chakra. there is a correspondence to Astrology and it is from 25 Libra to 17 Sagittarius. It would relate to the planetary hours of Mars or Tuesday.

Hypothalamus is a minor gland and maybe it should just be regarded as the place it occupies in the body and as such it would be about the middle of Aries. The endocrine system relates to Pisces so glands in general relates to Pisces. Glands are very interdependent and so can't hardly be considered alone. Their function is generally to coordinate different parts

of the body.

Re: Oct. 86. June Elder: I am inclined to go along with your cousin's actions. Jupiter ruling her 7th in the 1st in Cancer would cause others to point out her physical condition. Also, Saturn in Gemini in the 12th would make people talk about controlling her smoking. These are what people are naturally going to say but they are not really important for her.

Her chart definitely shows that her heart is the major health problem. Scorpio ruling her 6th and Pluto in Leo points to her heart. Pluto, Moon, Mars and Venus forms a grand square. This indicates it is a major problem for her. These four planets point to her heart problem. Note Jupiter, her overweight condition, Saturn, her smoking, are not a part of the square but do make some good aspects to planets of the square.

Mutable signs on the angles, Gemini Ascendant, Pisces Midheaven, indicates she does not have a strong will to do what the doctor recommended. Her condition on the other hand of the grand square in fixed signs means her health problem is not easy to overcome.

I would say what she did was all you could expect from her. She is in a life struggle with her heart condition and it is unwise for her at this time to devote her energies to something that in general is worthy, but for her is not life threatening. What is important now is that she needs to balance the activities indicated by the grand square.

What caused the problem is that Pluto conjunct her Moon and her progressed Moon passed over her Venus. This upset her square by stressing the Taurus-Scorpio axis.

A bad diet could easily make the heart problem worse. There are some diets that caused heart problems so that they were outlawed. Dieting makes it harder to have a balanced diet.

This is what I'll recommend. I'll call it a healthful heart diet. It is a balance in the elements of the fixed square. Leo is the element sodium; with food like salt, baking soda, cod, fried bacon, pork, pickle, dill, green olive, ham and corned beef. Scorpio is nitrogen; that means proteins, all kinds of meat, fish, eggs, peas, beans and nuts. Aquarius is chlorine; food like salt, olives, cheese, bacon, haddock, clams, oysters, butter, dates and coconut. Taurus is potassium; food like pepper, paprika powder, soybean, curry powder, beet leaves, brussel sprouts and turnip leaves.

The point of the healthful heart diet is to have a balance in these four elements. It may be a good idea for your cousin to start a diary of her eating habits. To closely watch the food she eats as the Moon goes thru the fixed signs. To eat an adequate amount of food relating to the sign as the Moon goes thru that sign. Eat Leo foods as the Moon goes thru Leo but not in excess.

Edith: There were complaints about the spring issue of being cold and not interesting. Someone said there seemed to be a lot of long articles and few letters. I noticed that in the extra their was letters dated from January. This seems to say you regard the extra as sort of second class and put certain types of letters there. I think it may be better to put some long articles in the extra so people would not have to wait nine months for answers to their letters.

Frank,

You make a point that there are often letters and articles that appear in the pages of MH 6-8 months after they were written, but you must understand that it is not because we are substituting letters for articles. We print what we have when we get it. Because of the time schedule that is involved in printing a magazine once every three months, we are already two to three months behind normally because the magazine must go to press at least two months before you receive it at your home. Yes, occasionally we do have articles that are left that will not fit into an edition. These are then printed in the next edition and often as not, when there are articles left after a printing this indicates that there will be an extra edition with the next regular edition. When this happens it is possible for the articles to go in either, depending on where the space is convenient.

We do not consider the Extra Edition "second class". We have run many wonderful articles and letters in it in the past. We do, however, tend to put some of the more educational and interesting articles in the regular edition as these editions

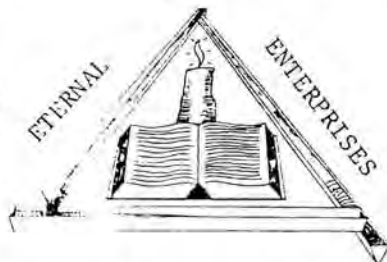
reach far more astrologers. The Extra Editions are not purchased by everyone that purchases regular editions.

We're really sorry that it is so upsetting for the letters and articles in MH to be many months behind the time they were written, but one must always look at the bright side, if each of us had to write our letters and mail them out to 1,500 people, we would all be very broke. I really believe that it is worth the waiting time to be able to share so many wonderful ideas with so many people.

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AQUARIUS
ruled by Uranus



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Oct. 4, 1986

As a new subscriber it took awhile to get used to your format, but now that I see it entails replies as well as comments, observations and acquisitions, I'm all for it. Namely because I am so outraged by the comments of Teg George (pg. 54 Vol. 51) about Saturn in Cancer that were you not to allow for rebuttals I'd be forced to consider drastic actions.

Nothing can be further from the truth than his statement concerning "Saturn in Cancer: theres a restriction of emotions here. they simply do not feel emotions and therefore do not know how to deal with the emotions of others..." But in all fairness, he's not the only writer to misjudge this positioning.

First I speak from experience. Saturn in my chart is 4° Cancer in 7th House, square (orb 0) Neptune in Libra in 9th, inconj. (orb 3) Mars in Pisces on cusp 3rd, semi-sextile (orb 3) Pluto in 8th and sextile (orb 3) Venus Ret. in Taurus cusp 5th and square (orb 9) Sun in Aries cusp 4th. The ruler of inherient 4th House and Cancer, the Moon is in Sag. in the 12th.

Secondly, Saturn is not a restrictive deterrent or a negator. If anything, it is an intensifier. Saturn relishes those who are perservering diligent, attendant to details and takes it upon itself the discipline of those who are lazy, inattentive and lacking in perserverance. This is verifiable by watching the Saturn returns of those of "Saturn's apple eye", whose lives only get better and those who end up in "Saturn's dunces'

corner" whose lives are plagued right and left. Limitation, another keyword of Saturn, is not all bad. Limitation of one's energies allows for the concentration necessary for success. It's when Saturn decerns that proper concentration, diligence or attention are not present that "Karmic limitations" appear to upset the apple cart.

Imagine how I felt, a young married woman, (then happily married for three years to a man a year older than I), that because Saturn was in my 7th House I would either never marry or marry a man who was either considerably older or a widow! Well, in all fairness to the stars who do tell the truth despite some astrologers misinterpretation, I am writing.

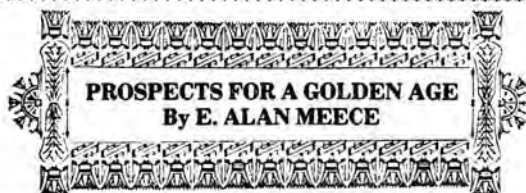
As it turns out I was married 11 years, exactly the length of time predicted in the marriage chart, and my marriage was not a cold unemotional experience by any means. As to the assertion that Saturn in Cancer implies a limitation on emotional sensitivity, I fail to find this true of any people I know born with in the mid-forties. After all we are the generation who is so sensitive to the unnecessary suffering war causes as to become emotionally involved in turning the tide of the American War Machine!

I cry in emotional movies, I emphasize with pain, sorrow and suffering of vast majorities, I continually end up being the counsellor to other's emotional problems and my advice is always based upon my own emotional experience.

If anything, Saturn in Cancer intensifies emotional sensitivity, to a point sometimes one wishes one could have more control over the vulnerability it gives one. So for the sake of better Astrology, might I give these descriptions, based upon my 41 year experience of the phenomena and observations of others in same predicament.

Saturn in 7th House: Probable long term marriage, possibly beset by difficulties if infidelity becomes a part of the play. Cancer in 7th House: Probable emotional relationship wherein the security sought is not necessarily that of the home, but of the "being-at-home-ness" with the other partner. Possession of the others' emotional projection becomes 9/10th of the objective in fulfilling the relationship. Family structure is a predominant part of the natives makeup. Saturn in Cancer: Strong emotional sensitivity, often to the point that the native "turns-off" rather than becoming over-inundated by such hyper sensitivity. The listening post for everybody's problems. Usually feels familial situation doesn't truly understand their emotional needs.

There, I feel much better and thank you for the opportunity to right the apple cart.



What lies ahead for humanity in the next 30 years? With all the problems we have, it's hard to believe our future is bright. Inflation and recession, environmental deterioration, diminishing resources, unrest and oppression in developing countries, and apathy, loneliness and lack of direction in developed ones all combine to severely cloud the horizon. About the only confidence comes from the U.S. administration of Ronald Reagan, the sentimentalist and rugged individualist who seeks to return us to the good old days.

But there's another source of confidence, and it comes from Astrology! It may seem fantastic, but the signs in the heavens point to an extraordinary renewal in the years just ahead. If we recall recent trends, this prospect doesn't seem so outlandish. It wasn't too long ago that we heard about the dawning of the Age of Aquarius, and about the revival of spirit among the new generation. We can still hear the echoes of John Kennedy's call to action and see the vision of Martin Luther King's dream. Before he and his dream were shot down in 1968, he said we as a people "would get to the promised land." The promise seems empty now, yet the planetary cycles support his prophecy. For

what we discover when we examine these cycles is compelling evidence that a renaissance and a golden age is right around the corner.

Consider first the **conjunction of Neptune and Pluto**. The movements of these furthestmost planets represent the most fundamental changes in civilization. These planets last came together only 95 years ago, in 1891-92. Every time Neptune and Pluto join together, a cataclysmic upheaval which leads to a time of transition and uncertainty such as we live in today. But about 100 years after the conjunction, a great renaissance occurs that ushers in a new age. We are at that point now. It is now the darkness before the dawn.

For evidence of this new dawn, look at the historical record. The Neptune-Pluto conjunction comes every 500 years (492, to be exact). The previous conjunction to the one of our time occurred in 1400. At that time the Medieval society dominated by the church and the feudal order were disintegrating. Despair and prophecies of doom spread across Europe, which was still recuperating from the Great Plague, or "Black Death." Powerful rulers struggled to unify their countries. One hundred years later, the Renaissance that began in 1400 reached its climax, and the Middle Ages came to an end. Michelangelo created humanity's greatest works of art, and Columbus opened up a whole new world.

If we go back another 500 years to 907, we come to the turbulent age in which that Medieval society was born. The Vikings brought destruction and insecurity throughout Europe. The powerful and prosperous Tang dynasty collapsed in China. Meanwhile, new nations and reforms in the church were laying the foundation for the age of chivalry, great cathedrals and crusades. One hundred years after 907 A.D. the dreaded Vikings were becoming Europe's new rulers. Art flourished in the Ottonian Renaissance, and the Sung dynasty emerged in China.

The fall of the Roman Empire corresponds to the Neptune-Pluto conjunction that occurred around 415 A.D. But while the Dark Ages engulfed the world, this didn't prevent a great new civilization from emerging 100 years later at Byzantium! As secular power collapsed in this period, people turned to religious and artistic revival and renewal in both East and West.

The conjunction of 78 B.C. ushered in the struggle of the Caesars, as the Roman Republic became the Empire. Somewhat earlier China entered an imperial period similar to Rome's. One hundred years after 78 B.C. corresponds to Christ's mission on earth, and to the Golden Age of Rome under Augustus and his successors.

In 570 B.C. the Neptune-Pluto conjunction, then joined with Uranus, ushered in the birth of the Greek and Roman Republics and the Persian Empire. After turmoil and uncertainty, Athens emerged to lead Greece to its Golden Age one hundred years later. It was the greatest age of enlightenment in all of history, when the great teachers emerged that founded our religion and our science, including Socrates, Pythagoras, Buddha, Lao Tze, Confucius, Mahavira, Zoroaster and great Hebrew prophets. The Jews emerged from their Babylonian Captivity with their Holy Bible written down for the first time.

Even before this, the same rhythm of change was followed in Egypt, the Near East and China. From all this evidence, we have every right to believe that our own time of transition and upheaval which began in the world wars will soon lead to a golden age. In fact, we have not long to wait. Already it has been 95 years since the conjunction, which means the next renaissance is only five years away!

We will see great works of art and stupendous discoveries in science. Movements of spiritual and cultural renewal will sweep the globe. World unity may emerge from conflicts recalling Roman days, bringing a peace surpassing the Pax Romana. Just as the Renaissance was the revival of Greek ideals and culture, so our age will in some sense see a new Rome and the return of Christ.

Summing up the pattern, then, we find:

570 B.C.: Greek, Roman Republics emerge, Buddha born

78 B.C.: Roman Empire emerges (dictatorship of Sulla)

415 A.D.: Fall of Rome to Alaric

907: Medieval culture begins (Cluny church reforms)

1400: Renaissance; Great Schism of Catholic Church

1892: World Wars, collapse of all aristocratic empires

One hundred years later are the periods of renaissance and renewal:

470 B.C.: Golden Age of Greece, Buddhism begins

22 A.D.: Golden Age of Rome, Christ's mission

515: Flowering of Byzantium, religious revival

1000: Ottonian Renaissance

1500: High Renaissance, Discovery of New World

1992: The full flowering of today's movements in art, science and religion, and possible world unification.

The astonishing conclusion seems clear: We are on the threshold of a golden age of renewal. But this is just the beginning. The planets give further testimony that not only are we entering one of the great periods of discovery and creativity in history, but the greatest one of them all. This is revealed by an amazing pattern involving the three outer planets which, to my knowledge, has never been discussed by astrologers. For it is a demonstrable fact that when Uranus, Neptune or Pluto are in the later or "higher" signs of the zodiac centered around the winter solstice, from Scorpio through Aquarius, humanity experiences its peaks of success and cultural achievement. For confirmation, let's turn once again to history.

The most significant cycle is that of **Neptune**. This is the planet most directly linked to the collective mood, and its power of inspiration really shines when transiting the expansive, socially conscious signs from Scorpio through Aquarius. For example, all of the periods of renaissance and renewal mentioned above occurred when Neptune was in these higher signs. The dates of these periods of Renaissance will be listed in a separate appendix at the end of this article.

But these renaissance periods were not the only golden ages. There were periods which came after them centuries later when the creative momentum of the new beginning reached its climax and consummation. Yet most of these **also** took hold as Neptune made its tour of the higher signs. For example, consider the mid-12th century, the "springtime of Europe." This was the finest hour of Medieval Christendom when, inspired by the crusades and genuine devotion to religious ideals, the people worked together to build the first Gothic cathedrals.

Second, witness the period around 1300 often called the "proto-renaissance" by cultural historians, the first flush of the dawn of humanism, as enunciated by the Italian poet Petrarch. Giotto and the Siena school anticipated renaissance art, while Dante summed up Medieval culture in his **Divine Comedy**.

Next, there is the mid-17th century, or High Baroque period, which saw not only dazzling artistic achievements, such as Bernini's works at St. Peters and the paintings of Rubens and Rembrandt, but the revolution in science climaxing in the new physics of Isaac Newton.

Finally, consider the great age of romanticism and revolt in the early 19th century. Neptune entered Scorpio in 1792, precisely as all the great minds of the world were stirred by the march of the volunteers from Marseilles who overthrew the monarchy in the French Revolution. And it left Aquarius precisely as the dismal failure of the 1848 revolutions ended the romantic dreams. Just consider the creative vitality of this era: all the great romantic composers, including Beethoven, Schubert, Mendelssohn and Chopin, great literary figures like Balzac, Dickens, Goethe, Wordsworth, Byron and Shelley, great discoveries like those in electricity and the new chemistry of Lavoisier, great heroism and adventure in the age of the French Revolution and Napoleon.

It is these periods of Neptune that restore our spirit and vitality, and put us in contact with that creative intelligence which yields the discoveries utilized in the more narrow, materialistic periods. The romantic age was the last such period, and ought to inspire us today to lift our vision. For ours is a reincarnation of that adventurous time. Today Neptune is already in Capricorn; it passed through Scorpio in the 1960s,

when we awakened to the noble dreams mentioned at the beginning of this article. Perhaps this is a sign we may still fulfill them as our new golden age continues to unfold.

Second in importance to Neptune are the transits of **Uranus**. This inventive planet was in the higher signs at the turn of the present century (1891-1919), a period of tremendous creativity that saw the opening of all the creative pathways we are still pursuing today. Einstein's relativity, Freud's psychoanalysis, and Picasso's cubist painting are just some of the startling developments which occurred, before the world was shattered what many believed was a glorious new dawn (recall Neptune and Pluto were also making their conjunction in this period). Uranus also transited Scorpio through Aquarius during the early enlightenment in the 1740s and 1750s and the early Elizabethan era from 1556 through the 1580s.

If Uranus and Neptune in the higher signs can stimulate such startling advances all by themselves, just think how powerful both of them together should be! This was the case at the height of many of the great periods just mentioned. This double stimulation also occurs when Pluto and Neptune move together through the higher signs (see appendix). It stands to reason that the MORE planets are in higher signs, the HIGHER the level human culture attains. So if two planets are high, the signs are very propitious. But imagine the effect of **all three** of the creative outer planets in the highest signs of the zodiac. Surely, these must be the greatest ages in human history!

Judge for yourself. The most recent such period was between 1490, when Columbus was preparing his voyage of discovery, and 1501, when Michelangelo carved his statue of **David** and Leonardo da Vinci was working on the **Mona Lisa**. What better example could you find! Here were our most celebrated artistic triumphs, combined with the immense opportunity of the New World. But let's not stop here! For looking back we find the other most celebrated period in history, the Golden Age of Greece, from 454 to 445 B.C., when Pericles ruled Athens as the noble philosopher king, when the sculptor Phidias and the dramatist Sophocles worked, and when Socrates first walked the streets beneath the Acropolis where the columns were rising for the Parthenon. These two moments, when Uranus, Neptune and Pluto skirted the heights of the zodiac for the longest periods so far in recorded history, are the two undisputed, unsurpassed moments of triumph for the creative spirit, the fairest days of the human adventure!

But there's more. All three planets were also high between 318-326 A.D. when the foundations of Christian culture were laid, including the first cathedral of St. Peter's, and between 809-817, when Charlemagne arose out of the Dark Ages to begin the cultural renewal which became the cornerstone of Western European civilization.

Such striking evidence is breathtaking. Now here comes the main message of this article. For yes, you guessed it. Since Pluto entered Scorpio in 1984, all three outer planets are now in high signs for the first time since 1501. This situation will last until Uranus leaves Aquarius in 2003, making it by far the longest such period so far in recorded history!

The greatest Renaissance and Golden Age in history! What a different picture Astrology gives us of our time than the usual business-as-usual, or doom and gloom. If these indications are correct, there will be no collapse, no Armageddon. We will not only survive; we will begin to fulfill those precious dreams of the 1960s and embark on the full unfoldment of human potential.

But we must be careful. The planets give us no guarantees. We must be very clear on this point. The new Golden Age is not something which will unfold by itself; it is an opportunity, and it is up to us not let it slip. Now is the time for all of us to unfold and share our potential. If you have a statement to make, now is the time to make it. If you have something inside to share, now is the time to share it. The Renaissance of today will be what we make it. Paint those paintings; write those poems. Whatever schemes you have been harboring for the advancement of humanity, or the celebration of the new springtime of peace and renewal, now is the time to act. We are here to participate and to share. If you wait much longer to make your contribution, you may miss the best chance in all of history. Within the cracks

of the dying civilization all around us, the new world is being born, emerging from the womb of Mother Earth. Let us nurture it!

Those born under the four "higher" signs of Scorpio, Sagittarius, Capricorn and Aquarius will have a special opportunity to release the creative love-energy within their hearts. Wherever these four signs are in **your** chart, and whatever planets may be there, are the areas in which you have the best chance to make your contribution to the unfolding of this golden age.

Ours shall be an age of discovery, of creativity, of increasing unification and spiritual renewal; indeed, an extraordinary golden age exceeding our wildest dreams. To enter such a golden age doesn't mean and end to all bad news, nor will a renaissance happen automatically without our efforts. But here are all the weapons Astrology needs to dispel the cynicism, the worries, the fear and the despair. For if the stars are right, the promised land awaits us. How incredible it may seem; yet somehow, somewhere, the forces are gathering that will usher in the golden moment of renewal, the dawning of the new age.

Appendix: Transits of the Outer Planets in the Higher Signs Scorpio Through Aquarius

Neptune (period of revolution, 164 years)

1136-1191 Age of Crusades and first Gothic cathedrals

1300-1355 Proto-Renaissance in Italy, age of Dante

1464-1520 High Renaissance, early Reformation

1628-1683 High Baroque, scientific revolution, Louis XIV

1792-1848 Age of romanticism and revolt

1956-2001 The age of outer and inner space

Uranus (period, 84 years)

1556-1584 Early Elizabethan age, Spanish Golden Age

1640-1668 High Baroque

1724-1752 Early enlightenment

1807-1835 Romanticism

1891-1919 Modernism

1975-2003 Dawning of "Age of Aquarius"

Periods when all three outer planets were High:

454-445 B.C., 318-326 A.D., 809-817, 996-98, 1490-1501, 1984-2003

Recent periods when two or more planets were High:

803-831 A.D., 973-1028, 1054-1063, 1138-1166, 1243-1251

1300-1334 (Uranus and Neptune) Proto-Renaissance

1473-1520 (Neptune and either Uranus or Pluto) High Renaissance

1640-1668 (Uranus and Neptune) High Baroque

1738-1752 (Uranus and Pluto) Enlightenment

1792-1799 (Neptune and Pluto) French Revolution

1807-1835 (Uranus and Neptune) Romanticism

1975-2001 (Neptune and either Uranus or Pluto) Age of Aquarius dawns

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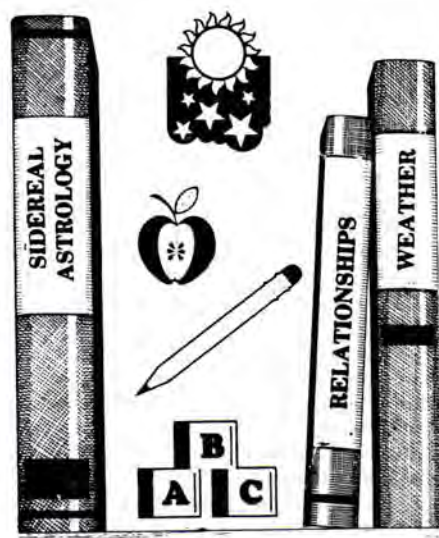
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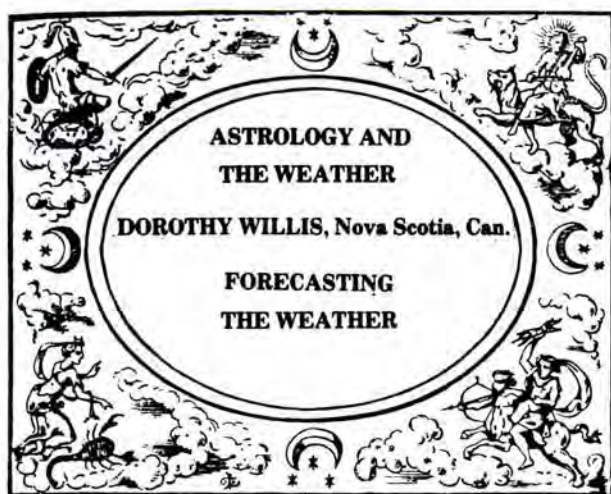
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URANUS

Uranus has an orbit of 84+ years, he crosses the earth's equator every 42 years and remains in a sign for seven years. His node is 13° Gemini 43. The Sun cojoins Uranus about 4½ days later each year, and is therefore easy to determine ahead of time. In 1986 the date is **Dec. 14**, at 8:42 p.m. in 1987 it is **Dec. 19**, at 6:45 a.m. When Uranus forms any aspect to the Sun, the temperature falls the barometer rises and cold, dry air masses flowing clockwise descend from the JET STREAM. N.W. winds sweep downslope and eastward. The higher the elevation the more intense the cold. Maximum intensity of Urnanian influence begins from the point in the last ingress chart where he occupied an angular position. In a fire sign, he is apt to bring seasonal heatwaves. When an eclipse follows the ingress, the terrestrial longitude of Uranus in the eclipse chart augments that of the Ingress and the lunation chart just prior to the conjunction refines it further. If Uranus is northing (in the bottom half of the chart) then dominating highs develop more intense cold fronts from the north. If Uranus is southing, the cold air will center over southern regions in eastward transit. If Uranus is at 90° or square the meridian, interpret it as variable, windy, storm breeding patterns moving east. Fair weather usually accompanies all aspects to the Sun. Sudden cold fronts from the N.W. following severe heat, set off thunderstorms, always down slope into valleys and eastward.

The square, semisquare, sesquare and opposition also bring sharp dips in temperature with relatively high humidity, cloudiness, erratic gusty winds and cold drizzles, or in winter, snow squalls.

Uranus on the meridian in any ingress map foreshadows erratic extremes, storm emergencies or underground troubles

as the transiting planets trigger activity. Being the strongest electrical planet, frequently electrical problems also accompany these events.

URANUS WITH NEPTUNE:

The conjunction of these two takes place once every 171 years, so is considered rare. The last was in Capricorn in 1821! Naturally, there are no records, nor are there any for the last opposition in 1906 and 1907, except that in 1906, there were eight major earthquakes (eight on the Richter scale, and over) including the San Francisco quake. Jupiter was also conjunct Neptune and opposite Uranus which added stress. In 1907, there were only four. The only records available are for the square in 1954, which have to act as a guide for the next conjunction in 1993. In 1954, abnormally cold weather dominated all of western Europe. Paris had the coldest July in 78 years. In contrast a scorching heatwave hit the western plains states. July 14 brought temperatures of 120°F. in Kansas. Uranus then was in Cancer, Neptune in Libra. Uranus sextiled Neptune in Jan. of 1967 from Virgo to Scorpio. The N.E. was very cold with heavy storms. Saturn opposed Uranus and trined Neptune that year. Saturn being in Pisces. Any Saturn/Uranus aspect invariably brings long lasting, unseasonable cold.

Uranus must be interpreted as unpredictable, erratic and sudden in action. Descending cold air flows west, leaving behind rising temperatures as south west air moves in. Summer heatwaves and winter thaws frequently develop with these southwest flows, as do droughts unless Uranus is in a water sign. The sudden windshifts and temperature drops bring thunder and severe lightning storms. In cold months the freezing temperatures with the winds accompanying them cause blowing snowstorms. The south shores of the great lakes being particularly vulnerable. Temperatures drop sharply following any major aspects to Uranus, especially where the Sun, Mercury and Saturn are involved. As temperatures **DECREASE** by 3½° for every 1000 ft. in elevation above sea level the highest elevations in a given area are the first to feel the drop.

When Uranus is in southern Declination, or in aspect to Saturn, particularly the sextile, winter cold is unseasonably intense and longer lasting. Uranus cojoined or opposing Mercury brings violent winds above hurricane force, with storm emergencies resulting, and blizzards in freezing weather. With Mars, acute storms, more turbulent in warm weather seasons. With Jupiter, sunspots, electromagnetic disturbances, very strong winds. **Feb. 13, 1988**, Saturn and Uranus cojoin within 1° of winter solstice.

Uranus acts with greatest intensity where he is angular, squaring the meridian, stationary, crossing the equator (0.00 declination), in maximum declination and when in maximum southern declination. On the nadir below normal rain/snow falls and isolated drought over northern areas, intensified at higher elevations. In the south and southeast, excessive rainfall occurs in limited areas due to cold fronts. When southing, high pressure areas veer south while lows veer north bringing drier weather south, and moisture north. In regions where the square to the meridian occurs, collisions between highs and lows bring greater storm activity. In summer heat, thunder and lightning can be vicious. Droughts are less likely in water signs but peak in fire signs.

When Uranus is stationary, all the highest elevations respond to the descending cold air, and the effects will reach the locality of a chart within three days.

Uranus crosses the equator every 42 years, i.e. enters Aries or Libra. 2010 will be the next crossing, the last was 1968-69. In 2010 (as in '68) Jupiter will be conjunct Uranus and squared to Pluto. Unusual sunspot activity, electromagnetic disturbances and extremely high winds will occur where Jupiter and Uranus occupy the meridian on the Ingress and Lunation charts. If a lunation falls on, or in major aspect to this conjunction, or to Mercury, winds will be intensified, up to 120 MPH. This next conjunction takes place at approximately **6:00 p.m. June 8, 2010** at 0 Aries 19, however, neither planets reaches 0.00 declination until a few months later in the year.

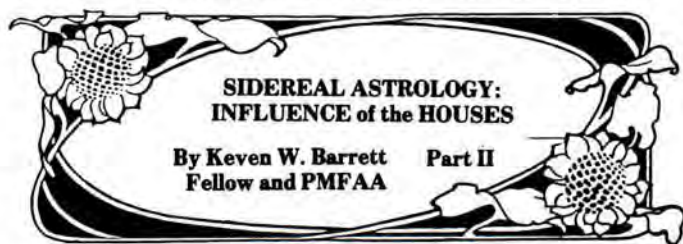
When Uranus is in maximum north declination (Cancer)

the cold intensified, and when in maximum south declination (Capricorn) it is magnified even more. **The winter of 1988 will make weather history.**

URANUS AND PLUTO:

These two join about every 124+1/2 yrs. The last was Oct. of 1965, in Virgo and will neither join nor oppose each other until the 21st century. The next square occurs in 2010, the last square was in 1932-33, the year of the dust bowls in the west, and the wettest summer on record for Europe. Pluto was in Cancer and Uranus was in Aries.

Uranus on the Nadir also can often indicate underground upheavals, such as mine disasters and seismic events, as well as postures of sudden warring and/or revolutionary uprisings, particularly when Mars adds his influence by conjunction, parallel, opposition or square.



SIXTH HOUSE

The influence of this House pertains to **injuries and life's diseases, enemies and enmity, loss of money, calamities through women, debts, accidents and loss of money.**

The 6th, 8th and 12th Houses in Astrology are deemed to be malefic Houses and this word "malefic" has been branded through medieval Astrology as doom and pestilence. However, the true meaning in plain English is "difficulties and negativity". Thus any planets in these Houses or aspecting them, especially if they are malefic, will show in the chart the areas of life that need working on to make the native a better person on the path to where-ever. So it is better to have malefic planets aspecting or in these Houses to make us get on with life. Thus saying if we have ones of benefit there we opt to be too lazy in doing anything about it.

Here I will give a few rules for sickness:

When the ruler of the Ascendant and the 6th House are with the **Sun**, that person will have accidents or fever complaints. If they are with the **Moon** then accidents involving water, flu or colds. If they are with **Mars**, danger from weapons, fire, skin eruptions and with **Mercury** then bilious complaints, vomiting or distaste of food when unhealthy. With **Venus** there is a danger from other women. If with **Saturn** danger from thieves, indigestion, irregular motions, nervous complaints etc. and if with the **Nodes**, danger from poisoning, fire and also thieves.

SEVENTH HOUSE.

The influence here is to do with **marriage, partnerships, expenditure, travelling, trade and commerce and loss of property.**

The 7th House deals with the counterpart of the self in different manifestations and is sometimes termed the **non-self** because of the close contact with others in partnership and thus you cannot always behave as the real self.

We will now have a look at what is implied by the ruler of the 7th House which of course must be considered by its aspects and signs:

If the ruler of the 7th is **Mercury** and is in conjunction with a negative planet or it occupies the sign of fall or is between two negative planets, then that person's partner will cause disruption in the family life.

If **Jupiter** happens to be ruler of 7th and is powerful, then the partner will be charitable and devoted and the union brings forth good children.

If **Venus** is ruler of the 7th and is also powerful, then the partner will be eloquent and the union blessed by children. On the other hand if Venus is weak, then the partner could be cruel-hearted and somewhat immoral.

If **Saturn** rules the 7th and does not seem to have very much power in the chart, then the partner could bring disgrace to the family and if it is powerful then the partner would be considered of high moral character, good tempered and courteous. If well aspected, then somewhat religious.

If one of the **Nodes** is in the 7th House and has malefic aspects, this indicates a troublesome partner.

If the **Sun** becomes the ruler of the 7th and has beneficial conjunctions, aspects and position, then the partner may be cruel. However, if well located and powerful then the partner will be agreeable and devoted although still having somewhat of a bad nature.

If the **Moon** is the ruler of the 7th and conjuncts a malefic or is aspected by malefic planets, then the partner will be devious and somewhat cruel-hearted, in spite of the fact that the Moon is a natural benefic.

There are many other indications that give property and wealth coming from either partner and it is to be remembered that in any marriage not only is the 7th House activated but also the 2nd House (possessions), as any marriage brings together the possessions of each other. And so the same two Houses apply in the death of a partner where the gains of these Houses become their losses.

EIGHTH HOUSE.

This House has an influence over the **condition of death and the length of life as well as chronic diseases, loss of money, extravagance, wills, legacies and inheritance.**

The only certainty in life of a mortal is death and every mortal says he is eager to know when he will die. However, Astrology advises that it is not beneficial to disclose this final end as any calculation of death is very complicated and no two astrologers can agree how this is calculated. However, it is good for students to study the charts of deceased people in order to ascertain the correct methods they are taught.

NINTH HOUSE.

This House is generally known as the **House of Fate and Faith** and it comprises nearly all the aspects of life except death and wealth. This House is connected by trine with the Ascendant and 5th, and so from this House the following influences can be ascertained: **acquired knowledge, devotional matters, fate, the pre-destined matters, voyages and according to some parts of India, the father. Also great deeds, the satisfaction of desire, all the happiness bestowed by Divine favour and governmental favours.**

The natural sign of the House is Sagittarius and its ruler Jupiter is friendly with the Sun, Moon, Mars, Mercury and the South Node and enemy of Venus and the North Node.

TENTH HOUSE.

This is a most important House as it implies the activities of one's self, distinctively apart from the 1st House self and the 7th non-self. So this House has influence over **karma or actions in this life and determines the activity in the work area of one's profession.**

Of course, having planets here is beneficial in determining the activities of this House and also if there are no planets in the 10th House and no planets are aspecting it, then the person will face various kinds of troubles in achieving their goals in life. To make matters worse, if the ruler of the 10th House is considered weak or its 9th Harmonic sign ruler is not aspecting the 10th House, then surely that native in life could be described as one who works from dawn to dusk amassing neither wealth nor knowledge!

However, it is wise to remember that everything promised in our charts does not always come to pass throughout our life and only astrological timing can indicate when we are forced to face such problems in our charts or accept their benefits.

The Effects of Planets

in the 10th House from the Ascendant

If **Sun and Moon**, the person becomes haughty and devoid of the virtues of kindness, sympathy, and so on.

If **Sun and Mars**, then the person becomes efficient in government type of organizations and will face many troubles at times.

If **Sun and Venus** are posited here or in aspect to the 10th,

then the same applies as the previous statement.

If **Sun and Jupiter** occupy or aspect the 10th, then this person has the ability to gain a high position in life from the lowest rung of the ladder.

If **Sun and North Node** occupy or aspect 10th, then fortune will smile on this person in a foreign country.

If **Venus or Saturn** occupy or aspect 10th, then the person will become an adviser in a high position.

If **Mercury and Jupiter** occupy or aspect 10th, then there is a possibility that this person will become a leader.

Mars and Jupiter will do the same for the native as well as endow them with the capacity for hard work.

Mars and Mercury makes the person very brave and of good service to their country and **Jupiter and Venus** gives the person more than one profession.

The Effects of Planets in the 10th Sign from the Moon Position.

Some astrologers may find this a strange statement. However, the ancients did take more notice of the Moon as well as the Moon's Nodes in combination with other planets to forecast concise characteristics or events. In other words, they showed the destiny in the chart.

If **Mars, Mercury, Jupiter, Saturn** occupy the 10th House from the Moon's position, this person becomes clever, shrewd and powerful.

If **Mars, Jupiter, Saturn and Venus** are there, then the person becomes wealthy and possesses much property.

If **Sun, Mercury, Venus or Saturn** or alternatively **Sun, Mars, Jupiter or Venus** be in the 10th House from the Moon, then the person will earn money from agriculture especially if Mercury is three signs away from the Node.

If **Sun, Mars, Mercury and Jupiter** are in the 10th House from Moon, then this person becomes a "jack of all trades".

Capricorn is the natural sign of the 10th House and its ruler Saturn is friendly with Mercury, Venus, North Node and Jupiter and enemy of the Sun, Moon, Mars and South Node.

ELEVENTH HOUSE.

This House activates the hopes and wishes and therefore would influence **incomes and earnings, wealth and fortune, domestic life, businesses, speculation, inter-activities with groups of people or public venues** differing from the 6th House influence of working with other people.

The **Sun** in this House brings financial gain from institutions together with honour and influence in society, the owner of property, association within high circles and the native could be not only learned but fickle minded. However, he will gain fulfillment of most desires.

The **Moon** here also brings honour from institutions, showing him to sometimes have unreliable friends but a fortunate wife, together with general happiness in life with gradual increase of wealth and prosperity.

Mars in the 11th can bring loss of honour through enemies in social life or loss of friends. However, it does help in gains if you are associated with agricultural property or business.

Mercury here will bring many acquaintances but few will be reliable and useful. However, the native will generally be free of debts and mainly the friendships he has will be with others of a scientific or arts background, showing the native to be very intelligent unless Mercury is afflicted, and thus learned and a lover of beauty and generally having all such good things. There are indications here of the loss of mental peace now and then.

Jupiter here definitely brings good health and favours from friends and if children are indicated, they will all have good positions in life, showing you to be well educated, rather high minded and idealistic.

Venus brings good positions in society and owners of wealth, thus finding pleasure in taking part in all kinds of social functions together with success in work and also brings many friends and favours especially from the opposite sex.

Saturn in the 11th House makes a person wise and held in high respect but can bring many false friends and at times obstacles in gaining an education. However, this is a good position for success in politics and the ownership of property.

Any **Mars** aspect here would make the person rather hot-tempered or a dashing prima donna.

TWELFTH HOUSE

The influence here pertains to **expenditure, accidents, travel in far off places, wastefulness, secret enemies, imprisonment or assault by thieves and confinement in places like prisons or hospitals.** To sum up the influence on a personal level, there is a tendency here for the native in self awareness to be termed "**self undoing**" and thus considerable planning is necessary for any action on which the person embarks through the influence of this House.

When the **Sun and Moon** are positioned in 12th, that person is often lacking in understanding of how to promote themselves successfully. A true combination in the meaning of self undoing. If **Mars** is here with, or aspected by, **Mercury**, the results will be loss in money or occupation. However, if **Jupiter** joins **Mars** or is associated, then this person will earn money and rise out of any confinement in life. The combination of **Moon and Mercury** in conjunction or aspect can indicate change of residence, especially to a foreign land. If the **Moon and Sun**, then generally the person does live in a foreign country and this can be backed up if the ruler of the 12th House is in its own sign.

It is advisable for students to collect as many charts as they can of people with similar events in their lives, such as residing in a country other than the birth place, where all of them do not have the Moon in the "cook-book" position of the 9th House and thus study some of the above statements which relate to travel in the various Houses to get a connection by sign, house and aspect.

Also, please do not contact me if you find any of the above statements completely wrong whilst using a Tropical chart and House Cusp system, but rather look at the chart in the manner I have described in the first part of this article in the Whole Sign system, and then I will be only too happy to discuss your problem or interpretation. For it is a well known fact that a teacher learns more from the student by questions asked than any "cook book" of Astrology. And unfortunately, Astrology does not have all the answers that most students ask when challenging the reason of why it is so in reading the ancient texts, as there is no doubt that the explanations were oral, and I can personally understand this attitude as I hate writing anything down. However, some of the above will give you food for thought in looking for influences that are not mentioned in some text books.

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In an effort to resolve this difficulty, it has been decided to make use of the locality figure for the place where the relationship exists. The figure should always be erected for the inception of the relationship under consideration. For example, a parent-child relationship begins at the birth of the child, and the locality figure should be erected as of the time of the child's birth. For persons not related by blood, the relationship is always considered as having its inception at the time of first meeting. Like any inception figure, the composite chart thus obtained must be considered to "hold good" for as long as the relationship exists. Then the progressions of the locality angles relative to natal planets indicate events common to both

parties.

When a chart is set up for the time of a couple's first meeting, the conjunction of the progressing MC or ASC. with the natal Sun, Moon, Venus or Mars of either party will coincide with the time of marriage. Should the couple move to another locality, the figure for the time of arrival at the new location supersedes the original one. However, one must remember that the interhoroscopic planetary aspects which determine the nature of the relationship, never change - only environment and external conditions, as represented by the changed planetary House positions at the new locality.

When setting up a marriage chart, the 1st House represents the man and wife themselves; the 2nd focuses on family finances and movable possessions, such as their bank balance, earnings etc.; the 3rd brings siblings, neighbours and day-to-day events into the picture, whilst the 4th accents the role of motherhood and real estate. When the focus is on the 5th House, children may be important to the couple and much of their joint efforts will probably go toward training and caring for their children's needs. It may also mean that romance continues throughout the life of the marriage. The 6th House spotlights the work both must do, as they labour jointly for the benefit of the marriage. Also, the general health of the family; the couple's employees and pets are ruled by this House. Many marriages seem to find a sort of self-fulfillment when the accent is on the 7th House, which also rules public attitude toward the couple, as well as lawsuits and divorce. The 8th House stands for all deaths having to do with the couple; joint finances, inheritance, mortgages etc. The 9th represents their religious views and any long journeys they may plan and undertake together, whilst the 10th shows the career and reputation of the family, their political connections, the fraternal groups or scientific organizations they link up with. The 11th House spotlights the friends of the couple, their social life, and the acquaintances made during the marriage. When the 12th House is accented, the marriage may have to be kept a secret, or it is one where the couple will be obliged to keep many secrets. Generally speaking, the 12th represents secret enemies, hospitalization, constructive work done in seclusion, and true wisdom gained during the life of the marriage.

A partner is described by the 7th House only after marriage, by the 5th as a lover before marriage, and before that, as an acquaintance or friend by the 11th House. Life is a never-ending search for experience, and the birth chart shows the types of experiences which the native requires to satisfy every department of his life. Those experiences which the 7th House describes can only be satisfied by an individual who possesses the required characteristics shown by this House. If such requirements are unfulfilled, it may result in marital instability, estrangement, and in some cases, eventual divorce. For example, let us suppose that a female chart has the third decanate of Gemini on the cusp of the 7th House. For an ideal partner she would require one with a Mercurial disposition, preferably with the Sun-sign or Ascendant in Gemini or Virgo. His Mercury should aspect her Jupiter, ruler of her ASC., or her Sun-sign ruler, and of course, an harmonious aspect here would be preferable. For the best results, the partner should be in a type of employment which requires mental rather than physical labour. As the third decanate of Gemini is the Aquarian decanate of this sign, the partner should believe in personal freedom, with an interest in scientific investigation, and should possess the ability to adapt himself readily to changing circumstances and to new situations. The planet Uranus should hold a place of prominence in his birth-chart, although it should not exceed Mercury in importance.

It should be pointed out that the compatibility requirements of the 7th House do not necessarily assure complete personal happiness in the union, but they do lay the foundation for such happiness. The issue of personal happiness is largely a matter of personal gratification, i.e. one considers oneself happy if one's personal wishes and desires have been satisfied. Where these wishes and desires lie in the affectional area, it is necessary that the social planets and of course the rulers of the 5th and 7th Houses find a satisfactory complement in the birth-chart of the partner. As a rule, when the 7th House

ruler is also the 7th House ruler of the other, there is a natural attraction. If Venus, Libra or the 7th House are well aspected, the attachment fulfills its promise; if not, only sorrow and disappointment result. Venus in good aspect to the ruling planet of the marriage partner assures appreciative affection and harmony in marriage, whilst a trine between Sun, Moon and Saturn denotes true affinity between the partners and maturely responsible attitude towards the marriage contract.

When the 7th House is devoid of influences, i.e. when there is an absence of solar, lunar, or planetary power, it does not signify that the native will not marry, merely that a highly individual personality is present. Married or not, the native with such a chart will retain independent views. This means that working alone is desirable, even when married or in a business partnership. It must be remembered that the 7th House is the zone of contracts, thereby concerning chiefly legal aspects in a marriage rather than romantic trends.

A well aspected 7th House and a harmonious Venus in any sign will indicate good fortune in a marriage, good relations and successful contacts with other people generally pleasant surroundings. Saturn or Uranus afflicting Venus will bring sorrow, delays or frustrations, and the ship of marriage will either flounder or be wrecked. Nevertheless, one must always take into consideration the rest of the chart and the total summation of the individual's path of life. Where the Sun is conjoined by Uranus in a man's and the Moon is conjoined by Uranus in a woman's chart, the parties are drawn together, finding each other's company interesting, but the home atmosphere is hardly restful or peaceful. This is because the vibrations of Uranus are difficult to reconcile with the close relationship necessary in the intimate association of marriage. Uranus is marked by a strong sense of individuality, eccentricity and independence, making "double harness" difficult, if not impossible. However, if the partner happens to be of the same makeup, there may be opportunities for working out an harmonious partnership, although it would be patterned differently from that of the conventional marriage.

Of course, the basic index of compatibility in all human relationships is the relation of the luminaries, both in the individual and composite charts, and the strongest sign of affinity occurs when one person's Sun or Moon is in conjunction or good aspect with the Sun or Moon of the other person. In cases of marriage, the best possible link is where the woman's Sun is in conjunction or trine with the man's Moon. This is an excellent indication to start with, since it denotes a certain similarity of mental-emotional characteristics. When his Mercury is conjunct or trine her Moon, it suggests a strongly intellectual bond between these two people, which can either be satisfied in friendship or fulfilled in marriage. If the 3rd House is involved, we may judge that there is a mutual interest in literature or that there will probably be many occasions for short trips together. The couple may have numerous neighbour contacts as well. When his Sun and her Venus are in close quadrature, it is not a malevolent influence but it does suggest the probability of emotional disappointments and wounded feelings. On the other hand, good Venus aspects make for sympathy, encouragement, helpfulness and other ways of showing love and goodwill. The sextile, trine and conjunction of Venus to Mars are strong aspects of sexual and romantic attraction and are definite assets to a marriage. The adverse aspects between Venus and Mars contain the same attraction but introduce jealousy into the picture. People whose charts show a warm, passionate nature will be more at home in a marriage where the aspects between the charts allow for sufficient expression of the feelings.

Because Venus is generally important in matters of the heart, we will consider the effect Venus has on the love nature of two people and how they respond to this human experience-the emotion of loving and being loved, for it is love that makes the world of marriage go round. The placement of Venus between the charts will indicate the pressure of the emotional nature, as it is here that each is called upon to express affection. With no response, something splendid and beautiful is missed in one of the great moments of life. It is very appropriate that Venus, the planet of love and harmony, is the

ruler of the House of marriage, for it is love that is the great leveller and uplifter and Libra is the sign of balance and partnership. The more successful a partnership is, the more each partner will profit from it.

Venus adorns the Earth with a profusion of exquisite flowers for our enjoyment. If flowers are provided with all the conditions they need, they will grow beautifully and abundantly. Similarly, the garden of marriage will produce beauty and happiness if tended attentively and with love. Neglect it and the garden will wither and die.

Of course, emergencies do arise in the best regulated household, and everyone has difficult periods, which may be spotted by the prevailing progressed aspects and transits, but it can save a couple so much future trouble and regret if they constantly remembered the three main "C" keywords of Libra: Courtesy, Consideration and Co-operation, which, when put into operation, create an atmosphere of harmony and affection. Another useful plan, whenever one feels emotionally upset, is to remember that "the quiet answer turneth away wrath" and that a sense of humour will go a long way towards preventing any situation from becoming tense.

A well-aspected Venus in the 7th House would ensure happiness and joy in marriage, unless there are some adverse features in the chart which counteract this influence. The love which is Venus-inspired tends to be gently understanding. The marriage partners will share and enjoy some artistic tastes and the ability to create a harmonious environment. A dignified and well-aspected Venus in the 7th makes marriage gratifying and creates a serenely contented state of mind. The native's ideals are the highest and the partner's attitude is mostly affectionate, even adoring. The relationship is kept secure around the native through an aura of glamour in youth and mutual understanding in later years. When, however, Venus is ill-dignified and unfavourably aspected, it could mean suffering through the affections, but this may be sublimated to a life of public service and altruism.

Another harmonious factor is when the ruler of the Ascendant in one chart is in the sign on the cusp of the 7th House of partnership in the other chart, or the sign ascending in one chart is the sign descending in another. Still another indication of a successful marriage is for one's rising planet to be the ruler of the other's 11th House cusp. Suppose Taurus is on his 11th House and Venus is rising in her chart; Sagittarius is on her 11th House and Jupiter is the rising planet in his.

The most potent factor in marriage, however, is a communion of interest. A person of refined tastes will not enjoy the activities which would appeal to an individual of a less cultured background. Of course, in any association, a certain amount of flexibility is required, and this is indicated in the chart by the number of mutable signs tenanted. Too much likeness, which leads to lack of stimulation, is as undesirable as radical differences in taste, nevertheless, it is best, as a general rule to marry someone from the same social and cultural background.

Marriage cannot be regarded as a fixture to one's nature. At intervals, planetary movements bring associations between people that affect them emotionally. Characters which clash to begin with, may be modified by experiences in which both partners share. Discordant dispositions may be attuned, differences in taste add piquancy to the union, and diverse types of intellect may still be full of interest for one another, but to change one's whole point of view, to learn to look at life through the eyes of another, to understand and sympathize even when these eyes give but a limited or distorted reflection of things that are clear and comprehensible to one's inner vision - that is impossible for any but the very highly evolved, and even they can scarcely hope to compass it, except through the discipline of sorrow. It is obvious, however, that the marriage that exists in a vacuum has no real life, and it is up to the partners to create substance around it. For example, when two people sharing a life find that they have nothing or very little in common, and that they are pulling in separate directions, the stronger of the two will have to realize that helping another to fulfil his (or her) ideals is more worth while than seeking one's

own. This realization will create a reaction in their world: a certain sympathy will arise, pulling them both towards the achievement of the goal envisaged. Their joint efforts will enhance their emotional nature, creating a mutual meeting ground for them which previously did not exist.

In the old days, there was a notion that a woman should seem fragile and helpless (the so-called "weaker" sex) in order to attract and keep the male interested. This notion is now obsolete. Men have now come to realize fully the help which women can be with their individual knowledge and talents. In this age, men require ruggedness and competence: they want to look upon women as partners in an adventure. There is a need for each person in a marriage to feel like an adult, fully sharing the adult discussions and actions to which they have a right. The partners are expected to pull their weight equally in work, talk, planning ahead, and enjoying life on a mutually friendly basis.

A similar sense of values must also be shared with regard to the material things of life. Where one is a "dreamer" and the other a "doer", friction may arise. For instance, Pisces usually does not strive for earthly possessions since Pisceans are dreamers rather than doers, and if a man with this emphasis has a wife in whose chart the accent is on Fire signs, there would be a direct conflict between the couple. A situation would probably develop where the wife, being of an aggressive nature, would prod and push the phlegmatic husband in order to stir him up. It is doubtful that she would ever succeed in reaching her objective and at the same time keeping her husband's affection. He may decide to "float" far away, out of hearing from his wife's constant goading and reprimanding, since water signs often take the easiest way out.

*** TO BE CONTINUED ***

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This October issue of M.H. is my second and I am wondering how I got along without this magazine before this! I just love all the interesting information that is being sent in! I have also purchased some of the back issues which are as equally as good! I plan on getting more for my collection.

In reference to Ted George dealing with Schizophrenia and chemical imbalances: I have recently gotten in touch with my Astro-Twin (thru your fabulous magazine!) and we were thinking that with our Mercury/Neptune conjunction we were prime candidates for the chemical imbalances in our bodies. We both have a low tolerance for drugs and alcohol, not to mention other stimulants such as the caffeine products. I have a one cup limit on coffee if I drink it at all. My stomach will not tolerate the cola products at all. I, by the way, have a Pisces Ascendant with that conj. posited in the 7th House. My twin's is in her 3rd. I also pick up a lot of negativity from other people. Saturn is in conj., but in the 8th House. Both of us feel that Saturn has a grounding affect on us. With Mercury ruling the nervous system and Neptune ruling drugs and alcohol, I can relate to this very well. I also have found out that I have particle asthma. With Mercury ruling the lungs and Neptune ruling oxygen deficiency there is an imbalance again. My twin has similar problems. I would like to hear more feedback on this, please.

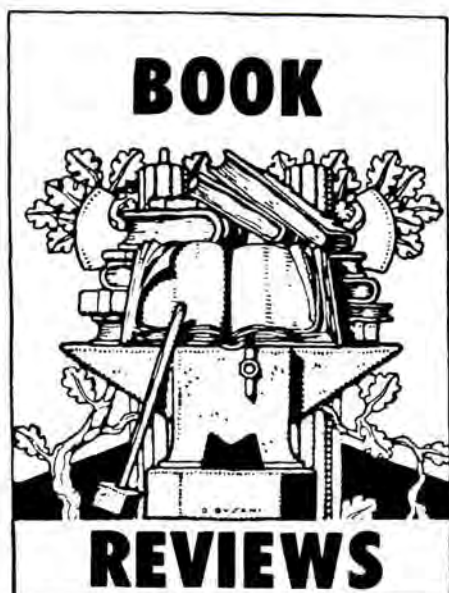
There has been no voices in my head, just a lot of pick up negatively from other people where I thought that it was me and it wasn't. My birth data if you are interested is 9/29/53, 5:15 p.m., St. Cloud, FL. 81W17 28N15.

OLIVIA BARCLAY, Kent, England Aug. 4, 1986

URGENT! I am so sorry I have typed the wrong date on the horary chart I sent you for publication. "Shall I go to Gibraltar"? I have put 28th February, 1986, but it should be 27th February, 1986.

I would be very grateful if you would change this for me, and I do apologize for my carelessness.

We have had good photographs of the Titanic on our T.V. and it looks as if Penfield is correct that they will not attempt to lift it.



YOUR FERTILE HOURS by Emily Faugno; publ. by the AFA, Tempe, AZ; pp. 236; price \$17.95.

This is a book whose time has come. With so many women over 30 wanting children, yet having trouble conceiving, an astrological method was long overdue. I am personally very familiar with Dr. Jonas "fertility" research and use it extensively and quite successfully in my own practice. Emily Faugno has done a very good and very thorough job in explaining the how and why of the astrological fertility cycle. She also offers a separate chapter on the "physical aspects of reproduction" which can be very helpful.

Faugno writes well, which always makes reading more pleasurable. She doesn't propose that she or Astrology have all the answers, and she has woven a charming little story into the otherwise cold facts of the subject. Sixty pages of the book are devoted to a very clever table which gives women the Sun/Moon fertility angle if born between 1940 and 2000.

The author may be a bit naive in assuming that the one example intercourse chart she has really proves that the Sun of that chart is always the Ascendant of the baby - unfortunately I can disprove her with many intercourse charts I have. But all in all, this is a book I can recommend, with one warning.

Faugno writes that this method can be used for conception as well as birth control; she gives the usual vague instructions "if you wish to avoid pregnancy, abstain from sexual relations a few days before and a few days after the critical day." First of all, you do not need to abstain from sexual relations, just from intercourse, secondly "a few days" is a very dangerous phrase that can get many of her clients in trouble. Since the sperm can stay alive up to 48 hours, four days before and three days after is a minimum. And even then it's a dangerous territory. I would recommend that the reader use this method only for conception, not birth control.

THE BOOK OF HOUSES By Robert Cole; publ. Entwistle Books, Glen Ellen, CA; pp. 127; price \$6.95.

Robert Cole has tried to bring more depth to the usual Sun Sign Astrology, by devising a way to explain the meaning of houses without knowing Astrology or using an astrologer. All you need to have is a copy of your horoscope, which he tells you where to get. He even explains how you can obtain your birthtime in the United States. (What about all those foreign born? Maybe in the next printing.)

Cole's very clever "Transition Key" gives you the month and day when a specific house becomes activated by the Sun's transit. If your 9th House cusp is 12 Cancer and your 10th House 17 Leo, then your 9th House will be activated each year from July 4th to August 10th. According to Cole, this is the "House of Fruition - what you have worked for all year is about to come to fruition; your dreams are about to come true." He

calls the 9th House "The Believer," describes how you might feel and lists suggestions as to what to do during this time. The same procedure is used for each house.

This is a well written and useful book for non-astrologers, but everyone can profit by Cole's thought provoking keywords and good attitudes on the houses.

LIFE CLOCK - Volume II by Bruno & Louise Huber; publ. Samuel Weiser, Inc.; pp. 234, Price \$12.50.

The main thrust of this book is to give new techniques and counseling on how to use the "Age Progression" method. In Volume I the authors presented details of structure, mode of action, phases and cycles. Now they go into more depth including Age Point aspects as well as aspects to the planets and Lunar nodes, Age Point through the 12 Houses, quite a few example horoscopes and the Age Point progression applied to C.G. Jung's chart. They put us on early notice that they do not use such "ill conceived" divisions as good and bad, or soft and hard when analyzing aspects - they feel that such concepts do not apply when dealing with inner developments.

This is an excellent book written by two excellent astrologers, who by now are so well versed in English, that they have translated their own book, and admirable feat! The Hubers, nicely enough, have given us a brief overview of Volume I at the beginning of the book, and in the appendix, their son Michael explains how to figure the Age Point mathematically. Throughout the book different astrological approaches can be found, such as Saturn being considered feminine, or their great color coding for aspects (I love orange - for power - for conjunction, red - energy for square and opposition, etc.)

For those of you who have never tried to work with the Age Point, you might be in for an exciting adventure. It may not replace your way of progressing a horoscope but it is another symbolic way of advancing the chart, and it works uncannily well, as the Jung biography demonstrates.

THE TWELVE HEALERS of the ZODIAC - The Astrology Handbook of the BACH FLOWER REMEDIES by Peter Damian; publ. Samuel Weiser, Inc.; pp. 78; price \$5.95.

This slim little book introduces the reader to Dr. Bach and his "Flower Remedies," a natural method of healing or re-establishing equilibrium through the use of wild flowers. Peter Damian tries to establish the astrological correlation between 12 of the flower remedies and the 12 signs of the Zodiac, and he does so quite convincingly.

Dr. Bach apparently did not treat "disease" but his patients' personalities, character and moods which he divided into 12 states of mind whose weaknesses could be helped or overcome through the 12 flower healers. Damian shows the remarkable similarity of Dr. Bach's 12 states of mind to our 12 Sun signs and with it, our weak points and how to possibly outgrow them.

The author also spends some time in explaining how to fix a "maintenance remedy" based on the astrological chart. He also tries to translate some of Dr. Bach's other disease theories into a language compatible with Astrology and in the last chapter he cites 38 other flower remedies. This book is of particular interest to the readers specializing in medical Astrology, but it is good learning for everybody.

THE ART OF CHART INTERPRETATION by Tracy Marks; CRCS Publications, Reno, NV; pp. 176; price \$6.95.

This is basically an excellent book. Its subtitle "A Step-by-Step Method of Analyzing, Synthesizing and Understanding the Birth chart" says it all. Marks is a degreed psychotherapist and a well-rounded, well trained astrologer, a wonderful combination for writing a book on how to interpret a chart, since with that kind of a background she won't tell you about astrological absolutes (which of course don't exist) nor push her opinion on you or any of her clients.

Instead she teaches you how to gently ask questions, understand where the client is at a given point in time, and so on. In Part One Marks discusses the chart as a whole,

determines planetary strengths and weaknesses, some of it reminiscent of March/McEvers "Only Way to...Learn Astrology" Volume II. But it's all very important and valid stuff that needs looking at.

In Part Two she gives actual sample delineations of five charts, and in Part Three she gives very helpful dos and don'ts of counseling. This latter part is so very important, and so often neglected in the astrological literature.

I have only two criticisms of the book, one of them rather serious. 1) Nowhere did I find a mention of the fact that this is a reprint of "The Art of Chart Synthesis" published by Sagittarius Rising (Tracy's company) in 1979, with only Part Three being new.

2) When a book is reissued all known mistakes should be corrected. Marks herself remarks that Lois Rodden gives other data on Muhammed Ali (based on the birth certificate) than the old one she uses, yet she does not bother to redo her delineation, which is one whole day off! That's bad teaching, and poor judgment. But it's still a very worthwhile book.

ASTROLOGICAL MEGATRENDS 1996 by Edward J. Kluska; publ. New World Books, Cincinnati, OH; pp. 194; price \$9.95.

Author Edward Kluska starts this book with a brief introduction to some basic astrological concepts, in hopes that this book will serve the layman reader as well as the serious student. There are no real predictions here, but, just as the title indicates, possible trends.

For the student there is a lot of learning in these pages, as Kluska astrologically justifies everything he says: "We will be compelled (Pluto) to look deep within ourselves (Scorpio) to understand our most unconscious (Pluto) needs, motivations and fears."

Kluska discusses Pluto as it might affect us in Scorpio (1984-1995), Neptune in Capricorn, Uranus in Sagittarius and Capricorn. He breaks his forecasts into many areas, such as sex, birth, death to cite a few of the Pluto topics, drinking, religion, disinflation and more for Neptune. He also goes into some general topics such as health, natural resources and so on. His wide range of interest takes him into "the lax immigration laws of Neptune in Sagittarius will be tightened with Neptune in Capricorn."

Though there are no pat sentences or definite dates, this book offers interesting ideas and projections, and all trends are based on good astrological knowledge and common sense.

YOUR GREATEST STRENGTH by Grant Lewi; Samuel Weiser, Inc., pub.; 135 pp.; price \$6.95.

Just about every astrologer knows Grant Lewi, author of "Astrology for the Millions" and "Heaven Knows What." This little book is a series of articles which he first wrote for Horoscope Magazine in 1940.

As Lewi states in the introduction: "It is the purpose of these essays to examine the chief strength, and the corresponding weakness, of each sign of the Zodiac, to show how the weakness grows out of the strength, how it may be transmuted back into strength again, for greater happiness and success in living and dealing with people."

And that is how Lewi approaches each of the 12 signs, by first giving the positive, then the negative side, using many examples of famous people to make his case and at the end always summarizing how each person can find strength by using the best of the sign. Don't let the Sun sign emphasis scare you away. Lewi can teach all of us archetypal knowledge and new "keywords."

All of the above reviewed by MARION D. MARCH

"A GRAPHIC EPHEMERIS OF SENSITIVE DEGREES" [Planet Stations and Eclipses from 1900 to 2000, Author - Eleanor Bach. Approx. 186 pages [100 or so pages are numbered by years.] Published by Planet Watch Publications, N.Y.C., N.Y. Price \$14.95 post paid.

I would like to highly recommend a book which was advertised in M.H. It is Eleanor Bach's "Graphic Ephemeris of Sensitive Degrees" (Planet Stations and Eclipses). It lists

yearly charts of the stations of the planets, eight asteroids, chiron and the eclipses, along with the duration of sensitivity of the station degrees. I ordered this book as I have always worked with the stations, and their degrees as sensitive points, and eclipses as the key factors in my predictive work. I am also doing research on prenatal eclipses, so I thought this book would save me time in looking up the data.

Eleanor states in her book things that I have been saying for years. Mainly, Mercury retrograde is not BAD; and neither are the retrograde stations of any of the other planets. The stations bring the action to your chart. I look forward to all of the retrograde stations, ESPECIALLY MERCURY. This business of it being a time not to sign contracts, etc. is nothing more than an old wife's tale, as far as I am concerned. I remember, about ten years ago, at a lecture in NYC, Rob Hand said: "Why is it that Mercury retrograde only seems to cause problems for astrologers, while the rest of the world goes along just fine?" When a letter gets lost, or your tape recorder brakes at any other time, you figure the post office messed up, and the tape recorder really was on its last leg. But during a Mercury retrograde period, we blame it all on Mercury. Give me a break!

In her ad in M.H. Eleanor states: "Here is a full and clear explanation of her revolutionary perception of the significance and use of the stations, and of the phenomenon of Hidden Aspects attendant on those stations...." I have been using the degrees at which the stations occur as sensitive points for further transit watch in my predictive work. This is part of what Ellie discusses. What was revolutionary to me, was the idea that the stations occurring prior to birth, can also be used as sensitive degrees or hidden aspects in a chart. This certainly is a thought well worth researching.

In my own work, I have found that the point at which a transiting station becomes active, is not at the degree when it first turns retrograde, but at the degree when it first reaches the point at which it will turn direct after the retrograde station. This is when you will first notice events that start to lead up to the occurrences taking place at the retrograde station and the direct station of the planet. In the case of Mercury, this is about three weeks prior to the retrograde date; with Mars, it is about three months.

I really enjoyed reading the material presented in this graphic ephemeris because it was straight forward, to the point, no nonsense, and filled with information culled from experience. We need more books of this nature, as well as more practical astrologers writing and speaking.

I do not know Ellie Bach personally, having attended only one of her lectures. My words on her book were unsolicited. I just feel that what she is saying is so important for all of us to hear.

Reviewed by Rochelle Gordon

DELINEATION OF PROGRESSION by Sophia Mason; publ. by AFA; pp. 303; price \$17.95.

This is a difficult book to review. A good book on progressions is sorely needed, yet very difficult to write, because the natal chart will make all the difference in the interpretation of the progressed horoscope. Therefore, it is nearly impossible to write the so-called "cook-book" type of interpretation.

Yet Sophia Mason has written a real cook-book, and as a result there are a myriad of misleading statements without any qualifying sentences. As anyone knows who has read one of Mason's many books, she is not a psychologically oriented astrologer, but believes in many of the traditional interpretations - a square, semi-square or sesqui-quadrate always brings difficulties, whereas a sextile or trine is always beneficial. Mason also indulges in some antiquated keywords such as: "When someone has progressed into the sign of Aries, they have just emerged from the negative sign of Pisces." My heart goes out to all those unsuspecting Pisces...

This is part of the negative review of the book. There is a positive side: Mason is thorough and truly gives a lot of necessary details on progressions including important features and indicators to look for, the Ascendant's progression into the next sign, planetary aspects, the Moon in sign and houses and

house connotations. Approximately 40 of her client's charts help illustrate some of her statements. The mathematics of chart progression is briefly covered in the back of the book.

Reviewed by JORJA BRENTWOOD

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January 5, 1987

John H. Roth, Jr., wrote two articles for the 52nd Edition that I thought were quite thought-provoking, as probably many of you thought so, too. "Reinterpreting the Basics" -- now, there's something that really goes over like sandpaper on some people's skin. Maybe it's in the method of presentation. Will he really get the flak I would if I challenged the same pet theories of traditional Astrology?

Now, when we all learned these basics, we were taught the rubrics which are the patinas that were so easy to remember, such as Fire = Spirit, Air = Intellect, Water = Emotion (or Sentimentality,) and Earth = Practicality or Utility. John Roth says that Fire Signs are interested in learning about things. They are not particularly interested in doing anything with the knowledge. But, turn to p. 45, and get all of it in his own words. I dispute that water signs live the experience. (A lot of them just dream about the experience.) I thought it was Earth signs that organized and analyzed experience, but he says that Air signs do that, instead of just talking about it, like we all thought. I do agree with his statement that Earth signs are interested in applying what they have learned.

You see, what happens when you begin thinking about what you have learned is that the pap and pabulum of Astrology just isn't convincing anymore. One of the most simplistic articles I have ever read which didn't appear in *MH*, but in a bulletin a lot of you receive every month, is called, "Neptune Uncomfortably in Capricorn," starting on p. 425. I refrain from naming the author. Listen to this: "Long before this era is over we will be finding ourselves physically comfortable with our Taurus possessions around us, and wondering what is missing in our lives." Sure we will. The last time Neptune was in an Earth sign, the Great Depression was on. Neptune in Virgo was notable for bringing junk food into the market, prettily packaged in cardboard boxes or wrapped in paper. Going through an era of junk politics and phoney social issues would be a negative aspect of Neptune in Capricorn. But, we must remember that 10% of the time, Neptune produces something worth remembering or commemorating.

How about this description of what people born recently with Neptune in Capricorn will be like when they grow up: "Their passage from birth to maturity will be marked by a distinct lack of the imaginative faculty which transcends the material." Not to be outdone by this sage observation by this budding prophetess: "This could be a dark age for those whose spirituality needs free expression. There may well be a low spirited climate in the world, overt or within individuals, amounting to depression as the necessary spiritual faculty is oppressed and suppressed."

Incredible. I could think of a four-letter word to describe what I think of the above, or I could use an eight-letter word that H. L. Mencken made famous in one of the titles of his books, but I don't think it would be appropriate here in this magazine. They both begin with "b" but they're still not what you think I think. Neither word is really vulgar.

Anybody can think of at least one good thing that has happened since Neptune went in Capricorn. The Bagwan Rajneesh is no longer with us. But, then, the space shuttle "Challenger" isn't either -- the result of defective engineering.

O.K. If the Earth signs are so lousy for the "sacred" "spiritual" planet Neptune to transit, then what about the Fire signs? Well what happened when Neptune was in Aries? That was from 1861 to 1875. What happened when Neptune was in Leo? That was from 1915 to 1928. Or when it was last in Sagittarius, from 1971 to 1985? What was so spiritual about those times? You tell me. Forget the word "spiritual." That is not what Neptune is about. The word to describe those unforgettable eras was "disillusionment." In other words, simply the result of when ideas, ideologies, pet theories, hallucinations, and ideals come colliding with reality. It all

unravels. But that is the true purpose of Neptune. Babies have to grow up. It's uncomfortable when we insist on being wrapped up in baby-like religions like a tight little cocoon. The purpose of these religions is to make you trust and to keep you from analyzing and thinking. How else can the various clergy keep up their racket and make a living from it? So the Neptune in Capricorn period produces a time when the population of dipoids and freakouts are a little less apparent or publicized. How can that be bad?

John Roth's other article was on the Tarot. Yes, he's quite original, but some of it just doesn't make sense to me. "The Tower is Venus." (p. 47) You've got to be kidding! But then he says, "You can also make a good case for reversing the last two cards. The Tower being destroyed by a lightning bolt makes an excellent Mars symbol..." O.K. Yes. That's what it always used to mean. You say that the Ascendant and Midheaven can be used to symbolize two of the major arcana. Well, those particular points individualize a particular time and place of a single horoscope. They are not general enough to serve as symbols or ideas. If you can go beyond the bounds of previous practice that way, why not say that the Tower (Arcanum XVI) is symbolized by the aspect of Mars opposition Uranus? When you read up on that aspect in one of the popular "cookbooks," it really fits. Why is the Hanged Man (Arcanum XII) represented by the north node (of the Moon, I assume) rather than the south node, "as a symbol of inescapable fate."?

You don't need a zero in the deck. Start with 1 as the Magician (or the Juggler) and end up with 22 instead of 21 cards in the Major Arcana series. Number 22 becomes the Fool. You have 12 signs, 8 planets, and the Sun and the Moon = 22 cards. No problem. They don't have to be all the planets first and then the signs of the zodiac. Nor do they have to be planet followed by its ruler, or vice versa. They can be mixed up. The way I learned it the Magician was Mercury, followed by the High Priestess, symbolizing Virgo. Mercury is exalted in Virgo, but only co-rules it. Gemini is The Star, No. 17, a long ways from Nos. 1 and 2. Number 3 is Libra symbolizing the Empress, or in some French decks, Juno, who was the goddess of marriage. That all fits. Whereas the No. 6 card, The Lovers, is ruled by Venus. That also fits. Saturn was always the Old Devil, but maybe it could be better expressed as the conjunction of Mars and Saturn. Certainly, that is frustrating. I think the Wheel of Fortune is better expressed as being ruled by Uranus rather than Aquarius. The truth Seeker, Diogenes, (Sage, Hermit, Card No.9) is more natural to Aquarius. And certainly, Justice ought to be ruled by Capricorn rather than Neptune. The Hermit is a medieval concoction, and confuses the real meaning of the card.

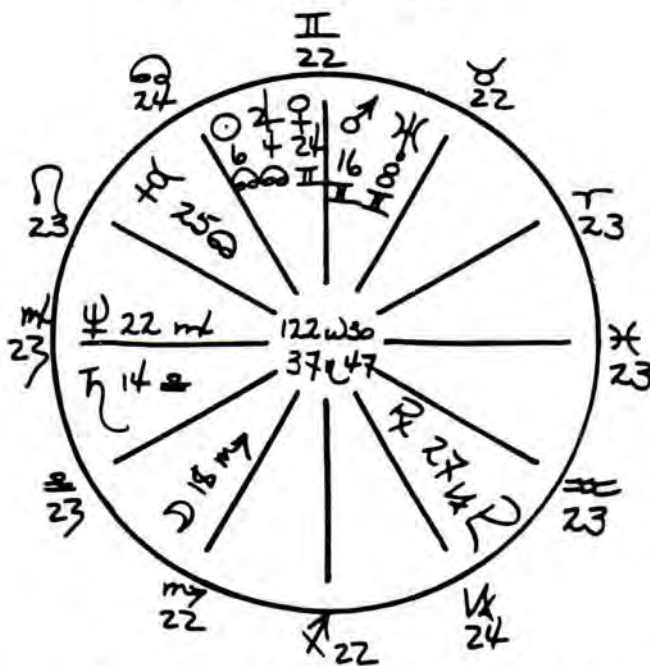
How can Force or Fortitude be represented by Pisces, which is such a weak, unsure sign? Pisces crumbles under criticism, weeps over many things, and is not courageous except in a foolhardy way. Pisces is a romantic and an optimist when it swings to the opposite end of the pendulum of its emotions. It always used to symbolize the Hanged Man or The Martyr, but it could perhaps be better represented by the Fool, and Pisces is the last zodiac sign. The Emperor as Scorpio represents strength and force, political power, etc. The Chariot is a speedy vehicle, the fastest one the ancients knew about, and so should be represented, perhaps, by a travel sign, the Fire sign of Sagittarius being appropriate. Mars in Sagittarius, maybe. I never could see the XVIIIth Arcanum, which is supposed to be white and black magic, as being appropriately represented by either the Moon or Cancer. It should be the Neptune card, in my opinion. I don't see the connection between the Moon or Cancer and the Judgment card, either. Resurrection, I mean, as you well perceived. Pluto, maybe. The only Moon connection I can visualize is growth, such as the renewal of vegetation in the spring.

I thought Wendy Hawks' article, "Comments on Our Marvelous Solar System," was exceptional. We should all be more familiar with the subject she wrote about. How easily we forget the real things about the planets, and we get too bogged down with the mythological attributes.

TRAGEDIES IN SAN FRANCISCO By MARC PENFIELD Hollywood, CA December 30, 1986

In a recent LA Times article (12-13-86), a grim picture was painted of this beautiful city with respect to the AIDS crisis. To date, over 2,700 cases of this dreaded disease have been reported, and over half of them have perished. About 5% of the city's population has probably developed AIDS-related disorders (ARC) and 20% of IV drug users have the disease as well. About 15% of the entire population is currently estimated to be infected with the virus, largely among the homosexual community where the rate of infection is about 55%. Homosexuals make up about 12% of the population of San Francisco. However, within the next six months, the number of cases living and dead is expected to soar 70% and the death rate is expected to double. ARC cases are also expected to double, despite the decrease in "unsafe sex" and multiple sexual liaisons.

Name SAN FRANCISCO
Birthplace CALIF.
Birthdate JUNE 27, 1976
Birthtime 11 am LMT



Looking at the chart for San Francisco, this city has always lived on the edge. The Sun/Moon midpoint also equals Mars/Uranus, and the ruler of both the Asc. and M.C. (Mercury) is opposite Pluto in the 5th House. To boot, the Asc. and M.C. also aspect Neptune, ruler of the 7th and placed in the 12th. From this, we can safely state that San Francisco is a place which knew how to have fun, even if the end result might have resulted in violence. Neptune on the Asc. not only points to the fog which consistently shrouds this city in mystery, but also to the ever-presently high drug-addiction and alcoholism that has always been a part of their culture. And when you think of the 60's flower children and the 50's beatniks, San Francisco has always been tolerant of divergent lifestyles and somehow has managed to survive its eccentricities. Until now, that is. Somewhere there's a message in all that's currently occurring in San Francisco that maybe it's time to stop and

view the price of this hedonism. Sex ain't no fun when it may be the last orgasm you ever have!

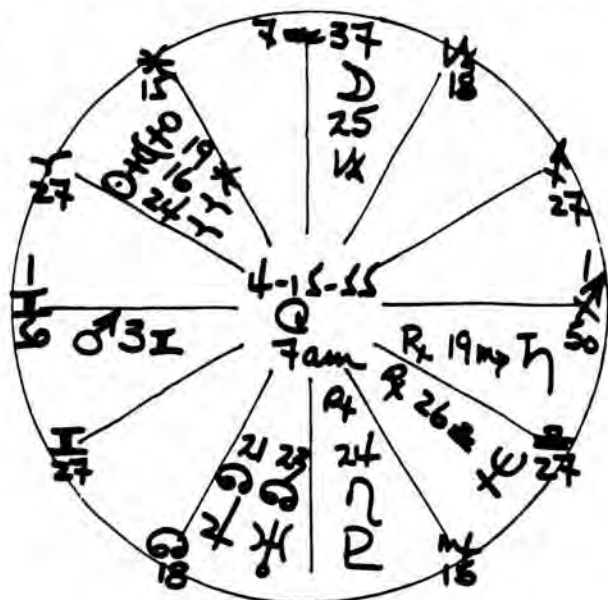
When the AIDS virus was first diagnosed back in 1981, Saturn at 3 Libra was square Jupiter and sesquare to the Moon, ruler of the city's Sun. Pluto at 21 Libra was trine to the M.C., so the time was ripe for transformation, especially when Uranus at 27 Scorpio was sextiling Pluto in the 5th House. Neptune at 23 Sagittarius was opposite the M.C. square the Asc. and opposing Venus as well. Mars at 0 Gemini was sesquare to Saturn, ruler of the 5th, and Mercury, ruler of the angles, at 4 Cancer was aspecting Jupiter and the Moon just like Saturn.

Six years ago, the progressed Sun was conjunct Pluto in the 5th House, and the prog. Asc. at 23 Aries had just entered the 8th House of death and renewal. To make matters even worse, Mars (ruler of the 8th) has been within orb of a conjunction to natal Saturn (ruler of the 5th) for the past decade or so. The reason the disease was ignored for so long before this is the long prog. trine of Neptune (ruler of the 7th) to Pluto (in the 5th). Six years ago, the prog. M.C. at 14 Capricorn was also square Saturn (ruler of the 5th) just as the prog. Asc. squared Mercury and semi-squared Uranus (ruler of the 6th). By the end of 1987, the prog. Moon will be entering the natal 12th House, so my feelings are that the crisis is only beginning to show itself, and more death will surface, irrespective of whether the entire population remains celibate for the remainder of the century. Combining kinky, unsafe sex with alcohol abuse, drug addiction (whether by needle or pill) is akin to driving your car off a cliff just for the thrill one thinks they might encounter. When so many people have burned the candle at both ends for so many years, what does one expect? The catalyst, in my opinion, seems to be those room deodorizers, affectionately called poppers, which seems to be a prevalent source of enjoyment for the homosexual community. With the exception of the virus being passed by sharing drug needles and women infecting their unborn children, the overwhelming number of cases involving homosexuals seems to be connected to the use of "poppers" or kinky sex. Heterosexuals drink excessively, they take too many drugs, just like the gays, but to date they have been spared the ravages of this disease in great numbers. After all, straights "play around" and with hookers as well, so one can't state that promiscuity is the main culprit. If any readers out there have any opinions on this subject, I would appreciate hearing of them.

From the chart of San Francisco, I don't think the crisis will tend to abate until after the prog. M.C. passes a conjunction of natal and prog. Pluto in the middle of 1996, and definitely not until the prog. Asc. gets out of the 8th House which shall be in the year 2000. At that time, the prog. Sun of San Francisco will be 18 Aquarius, square the Moon, but still inconjunct progressed Jupiter. There's no easy solution or explanation for why this crisis hit San Francisco as devastatingly as it did. New York might have more cases in the long run, but it's 10 times as big as San Francisco. In sheer percentages, the numbers are startling. But then this fascinating city has survived earthquakes, fires and vigilante committees, so possibly it will come out of this one as well. But the scars will remain long after the AIDS crisis has passed, unlike earthquakes where all you have to do is build another structure. The transits of Neptune in Capricorn aspecting every planet and angle in the chart will make sure that life in "Baghdad by the Bay" will never again be the same, even if you manage to escape the virus entirely.

DAVID DOZIER, San Antonio, TX November 15, 1986
To Jim Haynes: (MH Oct. 1980, 27th Ed., p. 54-55, & MH July 1985, 46th Ed., p. 20). Please tell us what time of day was used to arrive at the Ronald Reagan natal positions. You gave the sidereal positions as - Uranus 3 Cap, Sun 23 Cap, Moon 19 Aries, MC 7 Leo, Jupiter 20 Libra, and ASC 25 Libra. Raul Davila listed you as using 1:07 a.m. for the natal positions. Your sidereal positions look like they are very close to 1:07 a.m. What say you??

THE WORLD'S BIGGEST FRANCHISE By MARC PENFIELD



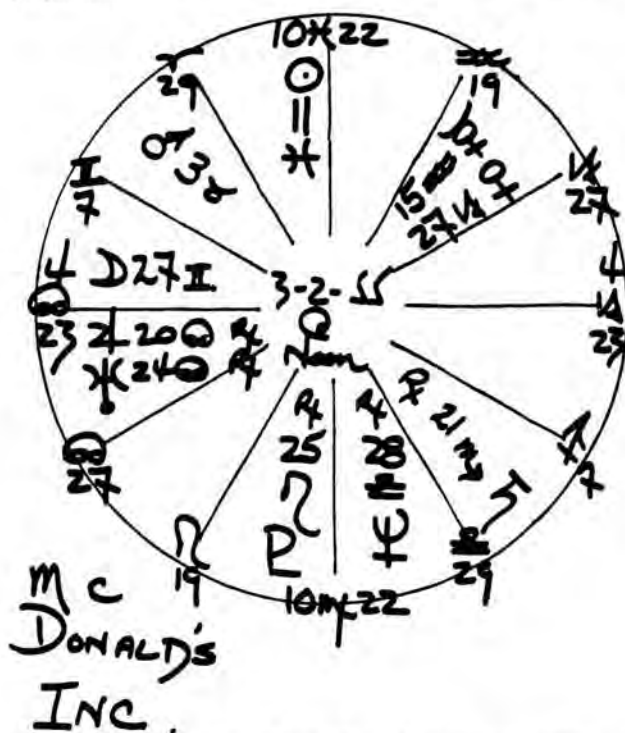
MCDONALD'S OPENS

When Ray Kroc opened the first McDonald's hamburger stand in Des Plaines, Illinois on April 15, 1955, at 7 a.m. CST, little did he dream that one day his business would be the largest of its kind in the world. It's estimated that between 30-40% of all young people get their first start in the business world from McDonald's, the organization being the largest employer of young people in the nation. I remember when I first went to the original place some 30 years ago (having been raised in a nearby suburb), the cost of a burger was 15 cents, shakes were a quarter and fries were a dime. Every month or so the sign above the golden arches was changed to read "over 100 million served" or more as the years progressed.

Looking at the chart for the opening of the first McDonald's, we find that Mars is rising in Gemini, but making no other aspects whatsoever. To me, this indicates that through sheer energy, ingenuity and salesmanship, this business would survive. Initially, there was no initial support from the outside. Of course, the Sun in Aries square both Jupiter and Uranus in Cancer (the sign of food) didn't hurt one bit either, nor did the trine to Pluto (mass appeal) in the 4th House deter the ambitions of Ray Kroc. Neptune rules franchises of all kinds, those branch offices and stores that seem to proliferate across this land in the past two or three decades. The Moon in Capricorn having just made a square to the Sun, and its final aspect to Neptune (ruler of the hopes and wishes 11th House) points to the "branching out" that this hamburger stand has done, covering most corners of the globe, and like Coca-Cola and movies, one of the most-recognized symbols of America.

Jupiter and Uranus in the 3rd point to the radical and unusual type of business that was first McDonald's. Back in the late 1940s, when Ray Kroc was visiting southern California on a sales trip, he met the original McDonald brother, thought their idea of a fast, cheap and efficient drive-in restaurant might be the wave of the future, and took a gamble. The conj. of Uranus to Jupiter, despite the squares and opposition to the Moon,

indicated the future venture would be unique and appeal to the masses. Pluto in the 4th indicates the transformation surrounding the restaurant industry that was the outgrowth of McDonald's. Others like Burger King, Jack in the Box, Carl's Jr. and Arby's owe their existence to Ray Kroc. Through the idea of Ray Kroc (symbolized by Neptune in the 5th), fast food (despite what you may think of it) has literally transformed the food industry and it's often cheaper now to eat out than it is to entertain at home. From the soda fountains of the 40's to the drive-ins of the 50s to the indoor cafes of the 80's, the restaurant industry has become more competitive in its desire to give variety to the heretofore rather bland American diet. Saturn in the 6th (along with the Moon in Capricorn) assures that the products sold will be the same, regardless of where they are sold. Standardization of each burger, shake or chicken nugget, is the same in Tokyo as it is in New York. Saturn in this house also points to the vast number (a burden sometimes?) of people who work at McDonald's and the fact that most of them are paid minimum wage. Venus in Pisces trine Jupiter and Uranus indicate the attractive packaging that surrounds most of the products sold. Do you realize that McDonald's is the biggest user of paper products in the world? Again, Neptune and Pisces tends to blow everything up, sometimes way out of proportion.



Looking at the chart for the incorporation of McDonald's (March 2, 1955), presumably in Illinois, we note many of the same trends that would transpire in the previous chart. The Moon's last aspect was a sextile to Pluto having last passed over Mars, and its final aspect is a trine to Neptune. Despite Neptune being squared in the previous chart, the incorporation chart shows success through franchizing. Jupiter and Uranus in the 1st House trine Saturn in the 5th aren't bad for business either, and Pluto in the 3rd House of "Word of mouth advertising" ain't bad either. The Moon rising in the incorporation chart is very important, for the success of this enterprise will depend not only on food (Gemini likes to eat fast) but the good will of the people. Since Gemini governs youth, no wonder McDonald's became as big as it did. Its youth and adolescence took place during the time the "baby boomers" were coming of age, and the population as a result exploded, and retailers sought the ever-increasing income of the young. And by coincidence, the sign rising is Cancer, the sign of food. Wonder how many other companies "incorporation" charts blend so nicely with the product or service they're presenting to the public?

IN SEARCH OF ASTRO-MORSELS!

By ED DEARBORN
Norwood, PA
January 9, 1987

This is an urgent appeal for your help. We are compiling a history of astrological endeavors which we have tentatively titled "Our Astrological Heritage and What We Are Doing With It." Each astrologer and student astrologer can contribute to the ongoing story of the growth and development of Astrology in the U.S. and Canada.

We want to know something about you, from whom you gained your astrological background (teacher and/or texts), and about those astrological groups and personages whom you respect.

More complete details of the project are found on page 42 in the 52nd Edition of *Mercury Hour* (Jan. '87). Each contributor of an Astro-Morsel will be included by name (unless anonymity is desired) within the appropriate portion of the compiled materials, as an astrological participant and/or in a footnote reference.

Send your "Astro-Morsel" to Edward L. Dearborn, 310 Trites Avenue, Norwood, PA 19074-1631. Possibly you can provide several pieces to the big picture of which you are a vital part.

The Astro-Morseles are beginning to come in. The first included those from Edith Custer, Dorothy B. Hughes, Al H. Morrison, and Ann Fiedler.

There are many yet untold stories out there in *Mercury Hour* world. I look forward to hearing from you *Mercury Hour* readers.

Best wishes for 1987, and may your light shine brightly.

CAMILLE L. ADAMS, Bowie, MD January 8, 1987

To Mark Penfield and T. Patrick Davis, 16th Extra Edition. There are two (maybe more) Stavropol cities, but one political unit (political unit in our terms means state or province). Center of political unit, Stavropol, is 44°N38' long. and 43°E30' Lat. Stavropol covers immense territory. The town of Privolnoye in Stavropol Territory is 47°N29' long. and 32°E30'. T. Pat Davis is correct. Incidentally, there are several towns by the name of Privolnoye. My source - Library of Congress - Reference Room. The gentleman there stated that many Russians guess where they were born, because cities, towns, territories changed a great deal during and after the communist take over. He did state that Gorbachev was born in Privolnoye of peasants on March 2, 1931, joined communist party 1952. Was at one time machine operator, became 1st Secretary of Stavropol Political Unit, Party organizer. Head of the Dept. of propaganda. Incidentally, you will find in "The New International Atlas" published by Rand McNally 1981, and written up in five languages the town of Privolnoye on page 78. I find that Atlas indispensable to me, I have clients from many foreign countries. If I can ever get through to the Russian Embassy without them putting me on hold for 30 to 40 minutes I will try to get the birth time of Mikhail Sergeyevich Gorbachev. Incidentally, could the embassy be checking on my phone?

Now for the horses (naturally I have Sagittarius rising and I love those nags.) On October 18, 1986, at Laurel Race Course, Maryland, 76°W51 Longitude and 39°N06' latitude, the race called the Maryland Million was run. Jim McKay, ABC Sportscaster championed this race, which will be well known in the future as a yearly race. Start of the days races was 1:30 p.m. D.S.T. The Maryland Million went off at 5:17 p.m. D.S.T. The horse that won was Herat, owned by a Louisianian, trained by a Nebraskan, ridden by a New Yorker, Jerry Bailer. (He is not on my list of jockeys so I do not have his data, anyone wish

to share? Herat is out of Northern Dancer, the great stallion, who now resides, where else, Chesapeake, Maryland.

Have obtained the following data, pertinent to the Iran-Arms-Contra Scandal. Source "Officials of the U.S. Government". Sorry, birth times were not listed. Am still trying, through other channels.

Donald T. Regan, December 21, 1918, Cambridge, Mass.

Edwin Meese, December 2, 1931, Oakland, CA.

John Poindexter, August 12, 1936, (no city listed) Indiana.

Robert McFarlane, July 12, 1937, Washington, D.C.

George Schultz, December 13, 1920, Stanford, CA.

William J. Casey, March 13, 1913, (No city or state listed.)

Casper W. Weinberger, August 18, 1917, San Francisco, Ca.

Oliver C. North. North was not listed in above book. Could not obtain information from certain agencies - I will keep trying.

To Marc Penfield, Re: January, 1987, page 51, Her Royal Highness Princess Sarah, the Duchess of York, was born in a private nursing home on busy Welbeck Street, London, October 15, 1959. She grew up on Dummer Down Farm, nearest town is Basingstoke, 1°W05' longitude, 51°N15' latitude. Do not confuse this with the town of Dummer at 8°E19' longitude, and 52°N31' latitude. No time given.

To Rose Sansone, Re: January 1987, p. 64, and to Zane Stein, here is data of client, manic depressive, taking lithium. Female born January 8, 1966, St. Paul, Minn. at 8:28 a.m.

Except for a small blurb last issue, it has been quite some time since I wrote. You will be pleased to know I am surviving the second Saturn return, double by-pass, loss of both parents, nutra-sweet poisoning, eye problems and degeneration of right hip that was broken in a fall. ALL data was recorded, even to the surgeons birth data in full and there has been quite a number of surgeons. Fortunately I still managed to lecture and do charts and go to a few horse races.

T. PATRICK DAVIS, Orlando, FL January 6, 1987

ELI COHEN - ISRAELI SPY

I was delighted to see that the use of heliocentric has spread to Israel through Isaac Starkman's contribution of data on master spy, Eli Cohen (MH Jan. 1987; p. 11).

Somewhere between Tel-Aviv and Lynchburg, the N and E of the coordinates for Eli Cohen's birth place in Alexandria, Egypt got mixed up. Those calculating the chart, or recording the data, need to switch things around. Alexandria is 31°N11 and 29°E54, according to Rand McNally's Atlas. This correction changes the angles of the chart presented. The Midheaven becomes 14° 56 Sagittarius and the Ascendant 6° 13 Pisces, using the time given by Starkman.

This particular chart of Eli Cohen gives me a chance to explain an important observation on using heliocentric which I have not gotten into print, as yet, although I have mentioned it in my lectures. When either the natal or progressed Sun is involved in a major aspect with helio planet, the normally used 1° rule must be stretched to nearly 2° as a potentially effective range of influence. This observation has been made so often that I feel quite confident in suggesting others consider it a reliable rule.

Master spy, Eli Cohen, was hanged publicly in the Damascus city square as a convicted spy when his progressed Sun reached 5° 20 Aquarius. His natal helio Saturn (the public career Saturn) was 6° 42 Scorpio in the 8th House. Here we have a separation of 1° 22' from exactness. Appropriate for the event? Yes. Simultaneously, the progressed Sun was semi-square helio Uranus, natally at 20° 33 Pisces in the 1st House, ruling the 12th. Of course, his discovery, trial, and imprisonment preceded his hanging. For both Saturn and Uranus, the progressed Sun was approaching exactness. The approaching aspect seems to be far more potent than the time period after culmination.

This chart of Cohen also presents one of those intriguing mixes between geo and helio I find so often. While it is possible that it is no more than a coincidence, as I have explained in my lectures, the appropriateness of the mix for the event never fails to impress me. Look at this line-up for the hanging.

Progressed geo Saturn 13° 40 Scorpio, progressed South Node of Moon 13° 42 Aquarius, and progressed helio Mercury 13° 46 Scorpio. And when his radio operation was discovered, transit helio Mercury was 13° 05 Scorpio. A Mercury-Saturn conjunction in Scorpio is not a light-hearted fun and games signature; it is deadly serious. Appropriate? Yes. Espionage is a deadly serious occupation; getting caught is even more serious.

Cohen's progressed helio Mercury entered Scorpio around his 1960 birthday, and it coincided with his progressed Sun entering Aquarius. There was a progressed square. Given the circumstances of his life, I could guess that this time period was very challenging and that he was given quite a "disagreeable" assignment to test his dedication and fitness. He must have passed with flying colors for he was later sent to Syria as an espionage agent.

Thank you, Isaac Starkman, for a most interesting contribution of data to the astrological community. Welcome aboard the helio movement.



It starts as a tic -- blinking and squeezing of the eyelids; twitching of the nose; raising of the brow; teeth-grinding; jaw-dropping; snapping of the head; violent shrugging of the shoulders and arms; arching of the back and pulling at the sex organs. Then it is the noises -- shouting; sniffling; grunting; throat-clearing; hissing; barking; humming; panting; gurgling, and ear-splitting shrieks. Later, the vocal obscenities erupt -- the most foul, insulting words directed to anyone nearby and more often than not at an inappropriate time and place.

Tourette Syndrome is a mysterious and humiliating disorder that has only recently been diagnosed as being organic. The disease was named after a French physician who first detailed the disease in 1885. The disease starts simply as an obscure tic, a term doctors use to describe an involuntary contraction of a muscle group. Many persons experience a tic of some kind and at one time or another, but with Tourette disease, the tics come in multiple fashion. Once started, the number of tics, type and intensity increase and decrease with periods of anxiety, solitude, or stress. Along the way there are learning problems; a short attention span; hyperactivity and compulsions. Some individuals can stop the tics through sheer force of will, or through increased activity and concentration, yet, for some unknown reason, the tics disappear during sleep.

The most disturbing tic is the vocal one that consists of the uncontrollable uttering of obscenity -- vulgar, blasphemous and socially unacceptable tirades with obscene gestures and touching of their own, or another's genitals. Not everyone with Tourette has all the symptoms, and those with the nervous type of tics rarely display the vocal type of tic with its utterances of obscenity. However, those persons who do not display one symptom or another cannot be sure they will not get the others also.

With the recent diagnosis of Tourette as being organic, some measure of treatment has been attempted by the Mt. Sinai School of Medicine in New York where they have been prescribing the drug haloperidol, a strong tranquilizer that is given schizophrenic patients. However, this drug does not help some patients, and it often produces devastating side effects, such as muscle spasms, shuffling of the feet, drooling and zombie-like loss of expression all similar to Parkinson's disease. In some cases, the drug causes the patient to experience restlessness, mild depression or an inability to concentrate.

It was in the 15th Century that the first documented case

of Tourette appeared. The disease was diagnosed as being a possession of the individual by the devil, and the treatment was exorcism by the Catholic Church. When exorcism failed, these persons were simply burned to death as witches. Even in our century, doctors inflicted treatments that were more harrowing than the disease, such as insulin coma, carbon dioxide inhalation, lobotomy and electroshock.

Studies of the disease at Yale University indicated that it afflicts four times as many males as it does females, and that in 90% of the cases studied, other family members had Tourette Syndrome or some kind of tic.

TOURETTE SYNDROME can be predicted astrologically!

Those with the most serious problem involving Tourette Syndrome would have the planets Mercury, Mars and Neptune in conjunction and opposition. The most noticeable would be Neptune in a fiery energy with both Mercury and Mars in opposition. The worst would be those who have Mercury conjunct Mars in opposition to Neptune in Sagittarius (1971-1985). We will be hearing more of Tourette as these children begin to mature. This configuration would produce the multiple tics and the uncontrollable obscenity, including the touching of their own, and another's genitals.

The second most active energy would be Mercury conjunct Mars in opposition to Neptune in Aries. There are no persons living with this configuration at this time. This is similar to Neptune in Sagittarius, except that the individual would touch only their own genitals.

Next would be Mercury conjunct Mars in opposition to Neptune in Leo (1914-1928). This would be similar to Neptune in Sagittarius also, except that the uncontrollable obscenity would be directed to those close to these individuals, including the demonstration of crude and filthy jokes to minor children.

There are other planetary combinations that can bring about a lesser type of Tourette Syndrome, such as Mercury conjunct Mars in a fire sign in opposition to Neptune. This can be one, for example, who recites disgusting poetry. Other planetary combinations can bring on the tics, the vocal obscenity, or both, such as Neptune and Mars in Gemini that brings on the heavy breathers, or the throat-clearing with those with Mercury and Mars in Taurus.

Tourette Syndrome is an animal trait brought from the past. It is not a karmic phenomenon, nor is it curable. These individuals have simply not seen fit to release this imbalance from the past. Although this problem is embarrassing and socially unacceptable, it is not physically harming anyone. If these persons can be turned into comedians where they can appear on stage in a night club, their socially disgusting energies can be directed to entertaining people who enjoy this type of amusement.

Drugs add to the misery of those who are unfortunate to have this problem, and are no better than the attempted cures of the past.

SUSAN MANUEL, Kaneohe, HI January 2, 1987

The thought-provoking article by Ann Kreilkamp in the Jan. '87 edition gave us some valuable insights into the powerful complexities of the Uranus/Pluto in Virgo generation. Ann, I hope you'll write more on the subject.

Marion March, thanks for reporting on the UAC evaluations. Looks like all we need is a little more space and a few good restaurants for the next one to be even better. At the end of your letter you asked Dorothy Willis about predicting the weather for the Southern Hemisphere, where it's hot under Capricorn, etc. That's a good question, so I hope Dorothy will write a reply. And let's hope all the readers in Peru and Buenos Aires write and tell us what their weather is like. Better still, if the next UAC were scheduled for Rio or Montevideo, we could all find out first hand.

When I used to do a lot of weather forecasting, I gave the same question some thought, so I'll throw in my two cents worth. It's interesting to note that most of the world's land mass lies north of the equator, and only the southern tips of Africa and South America, and the southern half of Australia lie below the Tropic of Capricorn. Much of these extreme southern regions are covered by deserts or mountains, and except for

parts of Australia, these areas are not heavily populated. (Knowing that, the chances of attracting clients in need of forecasts for these regions is slim, so maybe we'll have time to answer our questions before they call us!)

Some of our traditional sign symbolism might apply. Here's a possibility: because much of this region is quite arid, the Capricorn summer might signify the most harsh and barren time of year. In mountainous regions, even summer would be cooler, and perhaps cloudier than summer in some other climate. Such conditions are Saturnian, and might describe the weather in parts of these regions.

Perhaps the similarities between opposite signs could also guide weather forecasts for the Southern Hemisphere. Both Cancer and Capricorn can be wet; both Leo and Aquarius can be dry. Taking an extreme case, the Aquarian summer in Antarctica is still very cold, but there may be less snow than in winter.

Like all the symbolic systems man creates, Astrology is the expression of a particular culture conditioned by a specific environment. The Western Astrology most of us practice draws its zodiacal interpretations from the seasonal changes known in the temperate zones of the Northern Hemisphere. But those symbols don't always apply to different cultures or environments. For example, while we exalt the Sun, many African cultures living near the equator view the Sun as a malevolent force whose intense heat is a threat to life. There, they revere the cooling, protective rays of the Moon.

I used to live in Michigan, and was often asked for weather forecasts because the "lake effect" caused very changeable weather patterns. By knowing the normal range of conditions expected for a given season, I could use the traditional symbols of Western Astrology and come up with accurate forecasts. Now, I'm living in Hawaii where my trusty old interpretations rarely apply in the same way. (More to the point, they're really not needed. They don't even have weather forecasters on the local TV news! Everyone knows what tomorrow's weather will bring--more of the same. We only have two seasons--summer, and just like summer. Actually, our seasons are "wet" and "dry", but that never gets a laugh.)

I'm sure that our traditional interpretations of the signs and planets cannot be strictly applied to weather in the Southern Hemisphere. Perhaps the problem is similar to that of differences between languages, and the difficulties of translating certain idioms. While the native Hawaiians had little need for a word like "snow", the Eskimo's needed a number of words to describe the variety of snowy conditions they experienced. We originate symbolic systems which express the possibilities of experience within the world we know.

The first rule of astrological weather forecasting in "Manuel's Manual" has always been this: know the normal range of temperature, precipitation and air movement for the place in question, and keep your predictions within that range. So, when the December Sun conjuncts Saturn over Hawaii, I don't expect to freeze, but I'm not surprised to see the brilliant blue Pacific turn a dull slate grey, and I know the temperature that night may fall as low as 68°. (We're suffering out here--get me off this rock!)

On a different topic, belated thanks, **MH**, for printing my "Ephemeris of U.S. History for 1775". I was surprised to see it, until it dawned on me that I'd sent a copy to **Edie** as part of a survey back in 1985. But I never meant for anyone to have to hand-copy all those horoscopes. **Jewell**, please thank the diligent soul who did that! And, **Dianne Williams**, it meant a lot to me that you found the history interesting. I remember asking my "dear husband" to proof-read it, and he immediately fell asleep in his chair! (Fortunately, he's since made amends, and now has the good sense to mutter, "well done", before dozing off with my work in his hands.)

Finally, to my friend **Lois Prytula**; I enjoyed your long letter at Christmas. Since I never write when there's a phone at hand, expect a call in reply. (I would have called already, but our raccoon is moulting, and you know how preoccupied I get when that happens!)

JERRY T. ARBOGAST, Lawson, MO

January 10, 1987

Several of you addressed me a few editions ago. I failed to respond due to general wretchedness and apathy, for which I apologize. Coupla months back the gear on my own aircraft collapsed at touchdown. Things like that cause instant stress followed by severe depression when the repair bill arrives.

Also, some have written me asking about my chart interpretation program. I'll briefly describe it:

The program runs on a TRS-80 Model III/IV under NEWDOS 80. It requires 1.4 megabytes storage, 48K RAM and a 64K printer buffer. Written in BASIC modules with some Z-80 sub-routines, it requires an operator input for each sign, aspect, house or whatever. It's very fast but only the most depraved hacker would consider it "user friendly." If any of you want to write your own I'd be glad to show you how I did it.

To **Margaret Meister**: Yes, the cockpit can be a strange place. After getting my wings I found myself in the weirdest situations. Like being locked up in a compound, waiting for World War III. Or hauling bodies, kerosene, high explosives and nuclear weapons around. I'd always thought flying was supposed to be fun. Yes, pilots are conservative and we often discuss that. We're not sure if we're pilots because we're conservative or vice-versa. I see the same trend among physicians. Part may be because there is often a narrow margin between fly and die. Part may be due to our tax bracket. I like the old Oriental bit about giving a hungry man a hook and line and teaching him to fish instead of just giving him a fish. Most politicians want to take my fish from me and give it to someone who will vote for them. I object to that and if it makes me a right-winger, so be it!

To **Charlotte Cicale**: I don't think I'd worry much about where your husband's Uranus falls in your chart unless you're both very flaky and the overall comparison stinks. Most of us, after we discover some discipline like Astrology, which works well a lot of the time, tend to seize upon it and cling to it for answers to all our fears and problems. Instead, I think we should try to relax and just observe what's happening, for the clinging only causes more anxiety and problems. If you send me the data, I'll be most happy to run off an interpreted composite and synastry on my computer. Best of luck, and keep the faith.

Finally, it seems to me that astrologers could use their own computer network via landlines. Ham radio operators have been doing this on the air for some time. One of my computers is wholly dedicated to running Morse code and teletype on the air. Think about it! You could exchange charts and data in minutes instead of weeks or months.

CHARLOTTE ANN TUTON, Wellesley, MA **June 22, 1986**

May I add this to my former protest RE: The mix-up about **Frank Jakubowski's** remarks to **Don Borkowski**, attributed erroneously to me by **Carolyn Cauffman** in the 50th edition? I have received a very kind apology from Carolyn and I would like to acknowledge it in the pages of **MH**. Everyone makes mistakes. Most of us make quite a few during Mercury Retro. periods, which is what happened to Carolyn. I appreciate Carolyn's swift action in correcting the error. She is a courteous lady and should have credit for her honesty.

DOROTHY B. MAASS, Portland, OR

January 5, 1987

In regard to the letter exchange between **Marion March** and me, concerning an article in the **AFA Bulletin**.

There is some confusion which should be cleared up on this. I had referred to page 37 in her book and she corrected me, saying it was page 40. March obviously forgets her book had several printings and the book size was changed in later printings. I have the second printing, which was still the larger page size. Obviously, in the change to smaller page format, page content was also changed.

Enclosed are copies of pages 37 and 40 from my copy of the book. The correct page number was 37 for that printing. Since various people will have different printings, thought it should be pointed out. Hope you can slip it in, at least briefly.

All good wishes in 1987--we could certainly use some improvement over 1986!

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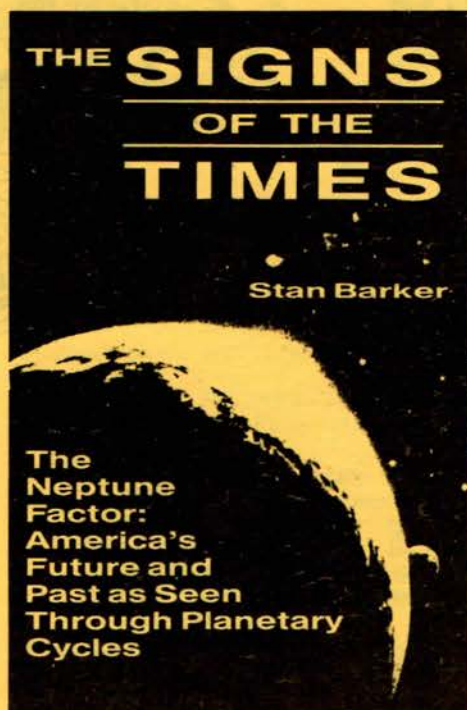
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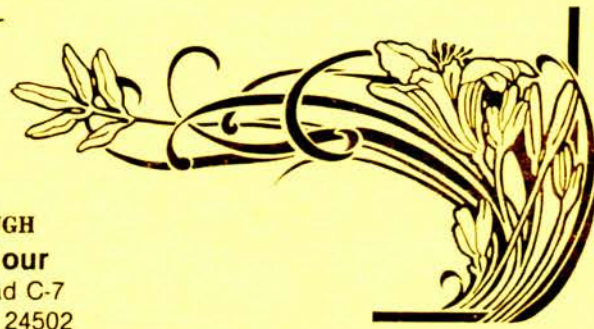
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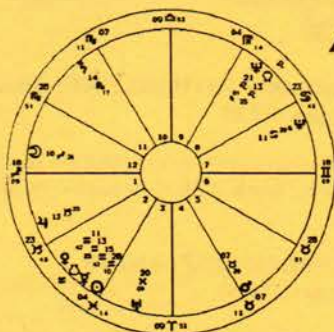


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Astrological research is encumbered by a lack of books correlating Astrology with accepted Psychological Personality Theories. Several books have been written on this topic, but a recent addition by Henry Niemann and Judith Cooper are worth taking the time to read. Over 24 different personality theories are correlated to different astrological symbols including midpoints. Using this book as a reference guide will help researchers trying to establish the relationship between Astrology and Psychology. The book is called "Astrology Conjoint Psychology" and is published by the A.F.A.

Perhaps the greatest limitation on astrological research is the lack of clear information on how to apply statistics to the particular needs of Astrology. A few books offer some information, but it tends to be highly technical and the average astrologer I've spoken with finds these books boring or confusing. Starting with this installment of my **Mercury Hour** column, I will try to give a mini-course in statistics geared toward astrologers. One of the advantages of writing a technical column for the **Mercury Hour** is that you have an opportunity to write and ask questions if there is any detail you need additional clarification upon. This ability to have your questions answered should enable me to make some of the technical information on statistics more understandable. If you should have any questions—please write! The chances are someone else has a similar question but won't take the time to write to me so you will be doing both of you a favor.

What is the likelihood that an event will or will not occur? This fundamental question of statistics can be defined in one word: **probability**. In fact, one of the most important things a researcher can accomplish is to demonstrate that a particular event is linked to a particular cause in a manner that is highly unlikely to occur due to chance causes alone. Many different formulas exist to measure different relationships between causes and responses. Before attempting any research a basic understanding of these formulas is essential. You must know what they can and cannot prove.

Statistical analysis can be performed on either a sample or a population. Statistics performed on a sample are descriptive of the qualities of that sample. For example, if we measured the average height of all students in a class and found it to equal five feet eight inches, then we would have an accurate measurement of that population. However, we may want to hazard an intelligent guess on the average size of all students in all classes in a school based upon one class as a representative sample. The difference between statistics describing a sample and the insights given on an entire population is critical for all researching astrologers. All too often an astrologer observes a condition in 20 or 30 charts and presents it as proof that his idea on an astrological principal is valid. Actually only the condition of the sample has been proven. Before any generalization on the entire population can be made important statistical tests need

to be performed.

Let's begin our study of statistics by examining some elementary statistical formulas that many of you will probably find familiar. The measurement of height of students in a hypothetical classroom will provide us with the raw data on which we can practice our calculations. In a class of 10 Junior High students the following heights were found to exist:

HEIGHT	FREQUENCY OF OCCURRENCE
5' 0"	1
5' 1"	1
5' 2"	1
5' 3"	4
5' 4"	1
5' 5"	1
5' 6"	1

The purpose of descriptive statistics is to give important information about raw data. Often it is important to determine which is the most frequently occurring item. Looking at this list we can easily see that the majority of students were between 5' 3" and 5' 4". This group represents the **mode** for this set of data. The mode does not always lie at the middle of a sample of data. In certain cases it may exist somewhere else. Sometimes more than one mode exists. This can occur when one sample contains representatives from different populations. For example, if our class height contained five American and five Japanese children two modes might have occurred because of the difference in the average height of people born in these two countries.

Knowing which is the middle term of a group of data can also be very important and helpful. The middle term in this set of data happens to also lie between 5' 3" and 5' 4". Out of the 10 students measured three are shorter and three are taller than this group. This middle term is called the **median**. It exists precisely halfway between all the elements of a group. Often it can provide a more accurate picture than just the mode alone. For example, if the most frequently occurring height was not the middle term it might imply that our sample was not taken at random or other pertinent information requiring further testing.

Knowing the **average term** of a sample is another way of describing it. The average is defined as the sum of a group of terms divided by the number of terms in a group. The formula is very easy to use:

$$\bar{X} = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + X_3 + \dots + X_N}{N}$$

N

$\bar{X}$ = THE AVERAGE

X_1 = ELEMENT ONE

X_2 = ELEMENT TWO

X_3 = ELEMENT THREE

X_N = ALL ADDITIONAL ELEMENTS OF X

N = TOTAL NUMBER OF ELEMENTS IN A GROUP

LET'S APPLY THIS FORMULA TO THE DATA WE ALREADY CREATED DESCRIBING THE AVERAGE HEIGHT OF A GROUP OF JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS.

$$\bar{X} = \frac{5' 0" + 5' 1" + 5' 2" + 5' 3" + 5' 3" + 5' 3" + 5' 3" + 5' 4" + 5' 5" + 5' 6"}{10}$$

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AFTER CONVERTING INCHES TO A FRACTION OF A FOOT THE FOLLOWING IS OBTAINED:

$$\bar{X} = 52.5'$$

10

$$\bar{X} = 5.25' \text{ BY CONVERTING}$$

$$.25' \text{ INTO INCHES WE GET } 5' \text{ } 3''$$

$$(.25' \times 12''/\text{FT} = 3'')$$

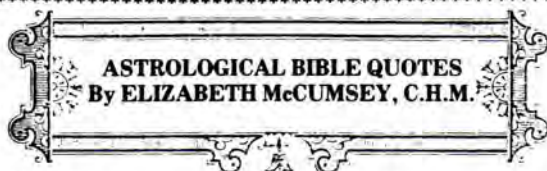
Our answer as 5'3" should come as no surprise. This simple example raw data makes it almost easy to find the average in our heads. We can see that the middle term of 5'3" is also the mode or most frequent term and the average term as well. This is not an uncommon occurrence in a normal population. The same term in a normal population will be its **mean**, **median**, and **mode**. A drawing of the data of a normal population will take the appearance of a bell curve:



The central value (**median**), its most common term (the **mode**) and the average all will be equal. Interestingly even if these terms are not exactly equal most of the statistical formulas which assume a normal population will still be valid mathematically.

In the next issue of the Mercury Hour, I will describe some important mathematical qualities of this bell curve and introduce some other statistical formulas that are useful to researching astrologers. Once these formulas have been introduced I will describe how to incorporate them into astrological research.

If any of you have any information on astrological research you feel would benefit other astrologers and want to share it with them please forward it to me. I will try to use it in future columns and mention who sent it to me.



"And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be **for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years;**" Genesis 1.V.14.

Right from the very beginning of the Bible Astrology is mentioned. In fact this entire first chapter of Genesis has deeper astrological implications throughout. This one quote however, stands out blatantly. The reference is not only to the seasons but to the **SIGNS** of the heavens (or the Zodiac).

The next verse Genesis 1.V.15 continues, "And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven **to give light upon the earth:** and it was so". This giving of light upon the earth does not imply the exclusive scientific concept of light. Rather it suggests a light by which our lives can be directed and our consciousness elevated. It intimates here, that the lights in the heaven are guiding lights for life on earth. This is something that astrologers and wise men are aware of. Let me ask you a question. Is it not possible that these quotes refer to our personal development and state of existence on earth and our

personal subjective connection to the light of life and love?

Now let us look at a quote from Job, C.38,V.33, "Knowest thou the ordinances of heaven? Canst thou set the dominion thereof in the earth?". This quote is part of the Lord's answer to Job's questions about life, justice, and the nature of existence. Does this not seem like an affirmation of Astrology and its value in learning to pattern our lives after higher values, and to live in harmony with the decrees of heaven. It seems to challenge us to live according to the ordinances of heaven and to integrate such knowledge into our earthly lives. Should not our lives be guided by the ordinances of heaven? By something higher than our pretty wordly concerns? It also intimates that love is the reason by which the worldly states enter into subservient relationship to the heavenly ordinances.

INSIGHTS INTO SYMBOLISM:

MORE BIBLICAL REFERENCES: "The temple path consists of 12 steps or degrees corresponding to the 12 zodiacal signs. David, the Initiate-King of Israel, describes these steps in the beautiful musical parable of "The Good Shepherd and His Sheep":

1. Aries: "THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD, I SHALL NOT WANT." The Resurrection Morn wherein the spirit rises triumphant above matter.

2. Taurus: "HE MAKETH ME TO LIE DOWN IN GREEN PASTURES." Nourishment, rest, security, girded about with the everlasting Arms of the Father-Mother God.

3. Gemini: "HE LEADETH ME BESIDE THE STILL WATERS." The waters of quietness, calm, peace, equilibrium; learning to be still within.

4. Cancer: "HE RESTORETH MY SOUL." The building of soul qualities through high and holy living.

5. Leo: "HE LEADETH ME IN THE PATHS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS FOR HIS NAME'S SAKE." The signal of victory; the power of over-coming. (I am the Way, the Truth, and the Light.)

6. Virgo: "YEA, THOUGH I WALK THROUGH THE VALLEY OF THE SHADOW OF DEATH." Blessed are the pure, for theirs is the aura of a complete protection and guidance.

7. Libra: "THY ROD AND THY STAFF, THEY COMFORT ME." The spiritual powers of discrimination and wisdom which know the comfort of perfect balance.

8. Scorpio: "THOU PREPAREST A TABLE BEFORE ME IN THE PRESENCE OF MY ENEMIES." The great work of the regenerative processes within, subjugating the enemy of lower man.

9. Sagittarius: "THOU ANOINTEST MY HEAD WITH OIL." The awakening of the higher mind; glory of spiritual realization.

10. Capricorn: "MY CUP RUNNETH OVER." Through the Christed consciousness the waters of eternal life are found.

11. Aquarius: "SURELY GOODNESS AND MERCY SHALL FOLLOW ME ALL THE DAYS OF MY LIFE." The polarity of head and heart when centered only in goodness and mercy bring into manifestation the corresponding consciousness in life.

12. Pisces: "AND I WILL DWELL IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD FOREVER." A complete at-one-ment with the truths of conscious immortality. Such a one truly dwells in the house of Spiritual Law, the body of the Illumined One, forever.

This reference to the above parable of the Good Shepherd can be found in "The Bible and the Stars" by Corinne Helene, New Age Press, California, 1971.

MYSTICAL SILENCE:

"We learn silence from the gods, speech from men," Plutarch observed. Isaac the Syrian (late seventh century) agreed: "Speech is the organ of this present world. Silence is the mystery of the world to come." The one who has patiently struggled through the dry, tiresome stages of forced silence comes at last into a radiant peace, a blessed stillness that is too beautiful for words, too full for speech.

It does not seem to matter greatly whether the silent one believes that he is experiencing union with the Holy Trinity or with brahman; in all religious traditions the blissful silence appears to be the same. Nor does it seem to matter whether one

tries to talk about the experience of silence in the context of Islam or that of Buddhism: in all traditions it appears to be equally impossible. Here the maxim "He who speaks does not know, he who knows does not speak" necessarily holds true.

Of the mystical value of silence, Abu Yazid al-Bis-tami, the ninth century founder of the ecstatic school of Sufism, once said, "No lamp I saw brighter than silence, no speech I heard better than speechlessness." This is, perhaps, all that can be said.

Written by Elizabeth McCumsey, C.H.M., in the Encyclopedia of Religion, Published by Collier Macmillan Publishing Company, 1987.

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Thank you Robin Armstrong for sharing this with us.

JOHN S. WILLIAMSON, Ontario, Canada January 15, 1987

Here is my contribution to the on-going debates in the pages of the Mercury Hour.

I recently saw an article in the Mercury Hour magazine in which the author, Howard Stephen Berg, who claims to be an astrologer, related how he had told a client that she would meet a man. Mr. Berg tells us that he jokingly said that the man would be older, weigh 156 pounds, have brown hair and that an unusual complication would arise making the relationship difficult. The client duly met the man who had been described, but the author uses this, not as an example of the reliability of astrological methods, but as an example of intuition at work! This is fairly typical of what is happening in astrological circles today. No one wants to actually study Astrology, and when it works, the credit goes elsewhere.

What ever happened to ASTROLOGY? Has Mr. Berg never heard of William Lilly, Henry Coley, Simmonite, Blagrave, Sepharial, Robson, Wordsale? All of these students of Astrology give information that enables one to piece together a description of, for instance, someone who is or will be important in one's life. Saturn rules older men, Mars rules younger men, Mercury rules teenagers, and so on and the signs give different statures and form of body; a consideration of decanates, duads and degree meanings will give refinements. Put the different factors together and you have a description of a person. This is all quite straightforward and basic and is the sort of thing that can be done by anyone with a degree of intelligence, but it can't be done by modern "astrologers".

You find the planet that represents the person in question - if it is a marriage partner, it could be a planet in the 7th House or the ruler of the sign on the cusp and this is called the "significator". Consider that planet's sign and house position and its aspects and the house or houses it rules and you have a description of the person in question. This should not be difficult for anyone who has taken a basic course.

One problem is that people nowadays do not want to have to use what intelligence they possess and so traditional systems of chart reading, which give straight answers to straight questions, are dismissed by current practitioners who have not the wits to understand the old methods.

The other problem is psychology, the red herring which has done more damage to Astrology in 20 years than several centuries of government and establishment-sponsored opposition and repression. Carl Jung and other psychologists turned to Astrology when they found that their psychology was not working and then relegated the science which had given them the answers so that they could claim the credit for themselves.

I did not always think this way. I started my studies with S. Arroyo and Liz Greene and other psychologists masquerading as astrologers. I read the complete works of C.G. Jung and made extensive notes as I tried to learn this difficult psychology and commit it to memory. I should have known better, for Astrology speaks the truth in a simple way so that a child can understand, but I had been many years of "education" behind me.

Doing charts for people seemed, once upon a time, like a good way of making a living so I used to have people make

appointments with me. (Why did I not look at my own chart to see if I was qualified to do this? I didn't know how to read charts!) If the person had a background in therapy, there was no problem. I could quote findings about the animus and the anima and the shadow and feel that I had given at least some psychological understanding. Some people, on the other hand, would ask questions about how many children they would have, or when they would get a job, or if they would be moving house and I'd do what I could to steer the reading back to what I'd learned. I could not answer the questions which were important to the client. The books I had, told me how to analyze character in terms of different behavior models, but they didn't show how to discover actual facts about someone's life from the horoscope. Mr. Arroyo said that this can't be done anyway, but that is more an indication of his inadequacies than a statement of fact.

I saved up my money in 1978, and travelled from Glasgow to London to see the Queen, in this case Liz Greene. She spoke to me for two hours with her budgie on her shoulder and a king size Silk Cut in her mouth. She told me about my Saturn, exclusively, which was quite interesting from an academic point of view, but I wanted answers. I wanted facts and times and dates and places to set my life in order so that I could stop drifting - a reasonable request from the Sun and Moon in Cancer. She told me about paying homage to the anima mundi. Liz and I, it seemed, were living on different planets at that time, not just in different cities. I left disappointed and somewhat disgusted.

I went in search of Astrology and once I got started, I found that I had to unlearn all the nonsense I'd forced into my mind, in order to create some space for substance. The older books contained the information I'd been looking for and it's a matter of applying the rules and activating one's brain cells. Not many students are interested in this approach, however, and if the recent Astrology Toronto Conference is anything to go by, not many instructors are interested either. It is a sad state of affairs.

Let us give Astrology back to the serious students and take it out of the hands of the psychologists and the masses who have only abused this sacred science.

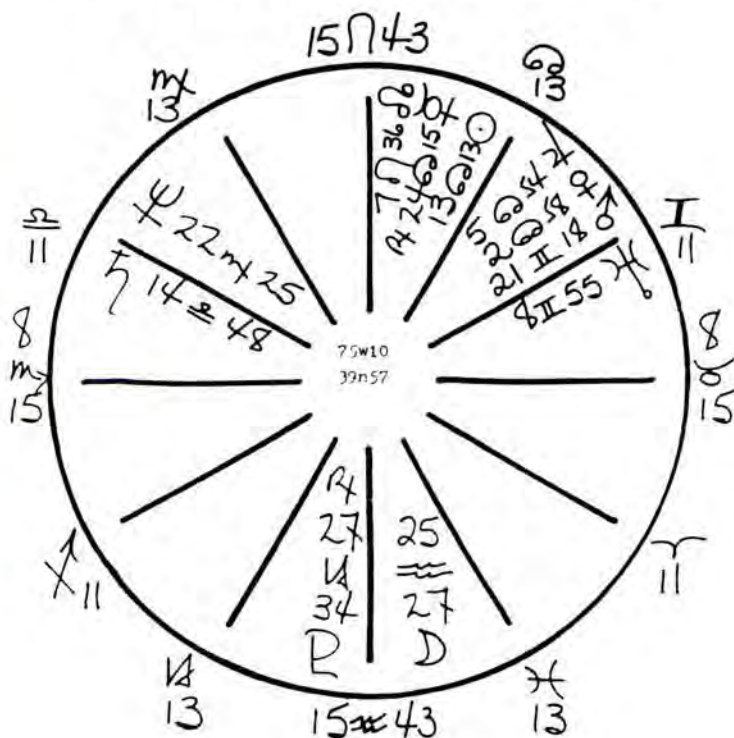
MARGUERITE Jar BOGGIA, Santa Paula, CA Jan. 15, 1987

I really believe that a valid Declaration Chart for the U.S. is the 11 Virgo rising. Zip Dobyns had been using it and believed that when Progressed Moon aspected Saturn which was sometime in either Nov. or Dec., 1986, that we would have an economic problem. While the interpretation of the event was incorrect, the timing was correct for an important event: the Irangate scandal that surfaced in Nov. 1986. She has written extensively on this chart in her quarterly publication of MUTABLE DILEMMA. Incidentally, Maritha Pottenger who is co-editor of that publication has a new book out called "Complete Horoscope Interpretation" which to date is the best (cookbook type) book for delineation. I highly recommend it. It causes the astrological juices to flow in me when needed. Maritha who works for Neil Michelsen, wrote the astrological delineation for the Planetary Profile (except for the interpretation of sex and 8th House). Astro Computing Services, Box 16430, San Diego, CA 92116, sells it for \$20. It can amount to 40-50 pages. When Hans Eysenck was in the U.S. for the Gauquelin conference and when he read his Planetary Profile, he was amazed and astounded. It was very good, except that the page on sex did not apply.

GWEN C. QUICKEL, Lake Jackson, TX Jan. 8, 1987

I enjoy reading what the transits are doing "to" (others) charts. How others deal with a 12th House natal Saturn or Sun conjunct Jupiter and Neptune intercepted in Virgo in the 4th, square Moon in the 12th and also inconjunct Saturn in the 8th, also S. Node in the 4th. Or all planets above the horizon with a stellium near the M.C. in Scorpio. Or Sun (2nd) square Neptune in the 6th with a splash pattern. Or a stellium (including Sun) intercepted in the 6th in Scorpio.

Are there any out there with some of these configurations?



Name UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
 Birthplace Philadelphia, Penna.
 Birthdate July 4, 1776
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Many years ago when I was first working with the natal chart of our nation, I chose only a dozen events to illustrate the destiny of our country in my book, "America: An Astrological Portrait". Most of those were repeated in "Horoscopes of the Western Hemisphere", published two years ago by ACS in San Diego. Charts for the Louisiana Purchase, War of 1812, Monroe Doctrine, Mexican War, Civil War, Spanish-American War, World War I, the Stock Market Crash, World War II, Korean War, Kennedy's Assassination, the Moon Landing, Nixon's Resignation and the Iranian Hostage Crisis appear in my latest book.

The additional progressed charts will appear in four installments during 1987, due to the massive nature of this project.

The Declaration of Independence (see chart) was signed in Philadelphia on July 4, 1776. According to the book "Patriot in Purple" by Herbert Allan, that document was out of committee about 2 p.m., whereupon John Hancock and his secretary, Charles Thomson, affixed their signatures shortly thereafter. The time of 2 p.m. is also verified by the US State Department, and was used in Paul Foster Case's book on the Great Seal of the United States. I've rectified the time to 2:20 p.m., giving a chart with Scorpio rising and Leo MC. These charts are drawn according to the Porphyry House system. You may get slightly different meanings for each chart if you use Placidus or Koch. The main activity, however, is to the angles, which is the same in all three.

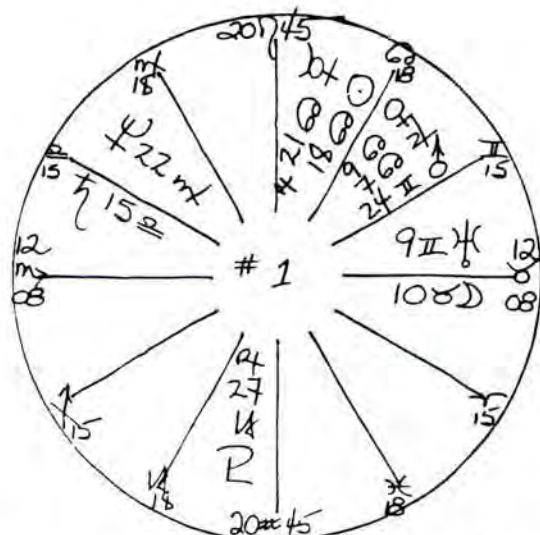


Chart #1 - Revolutionary War Ends - Oct. 19, 1781

Ever since Lexington and Concord 6½ years earlier, American colonists had been fighting the British in their quest for independence. With the help of the French, Washington finally forced Cornwallis to surrender at Yorktown, VA. thus ending the Revolution. American independence was assured (Venus and Jupiter trine ASC, MC sex. Mars). Two years later with the signing of the Treaty of Paris (ASC trine Sun), the war was officially ended.

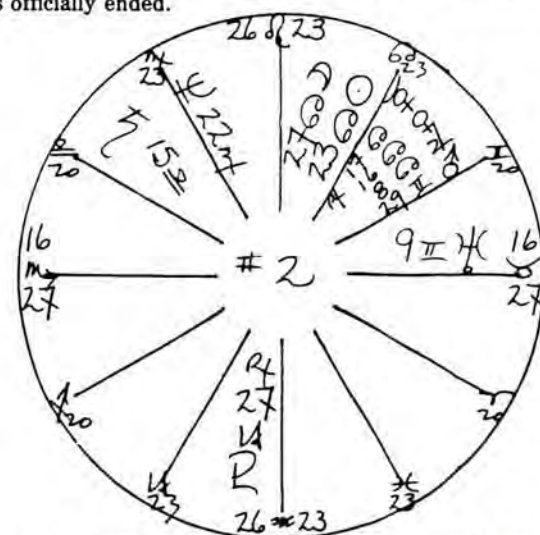


Chart #2 - Signing of the Constitution - Sept. 17, 1787

A convention was called in May 1787 (under a prog. New Moon) to frame a Constitution, as the Articles of Confederation gave too much autonomy to the colonies. Opposition arose between the Jeffersonians and the Hamiltonians who differed on the degree of power the new government would assume. After four months of heated debate, the document was finally signed (Moon opp. Pluto, Sun conj. Mercury semisq. Uranus). Some wondered if the document would actually be ratified by the states, but nine months later, New Hampshire became the ninth state to ratify, and the Constitution was in force (Jupiter trine ASC, ASC trine Venus).

Chart #3 - The Bill of Rights - Dec. 15, 1791

During the months after the Constitution was signed, many states expressed concern that a Bill of Rights should be inserted into the document to protect the liberties of all citizens. Most signed under the proviso that these rights would be forthcoming; four years later, the first ten amendments to the Constitution took force (Sun opp. Pluto, Moon sex. ASC). Americans would now be protected from harassment (MC semisq. Saturn) and interference into the lives of its citizens was severely curbed.

most lived out their lives in dire poverty, victims of famine and disease (ASC inconj. Jupiter).

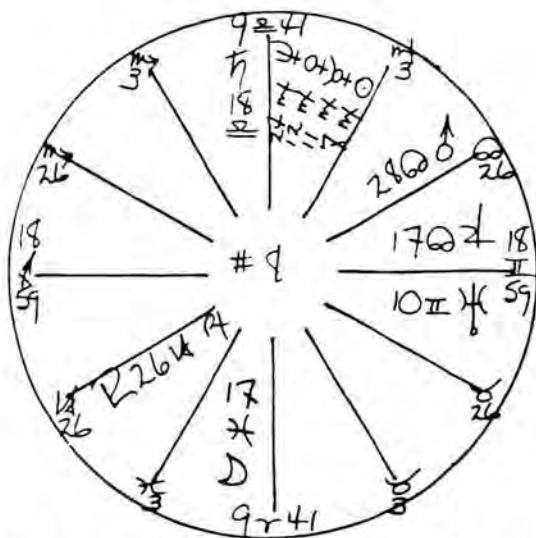
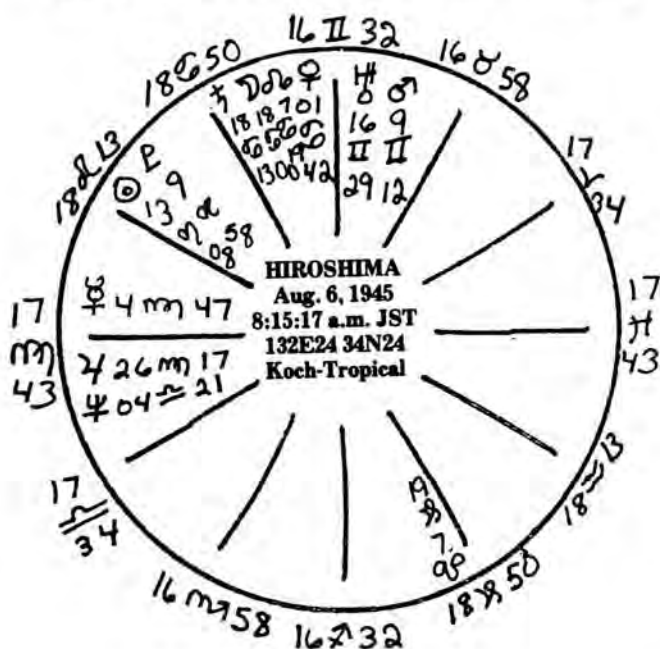
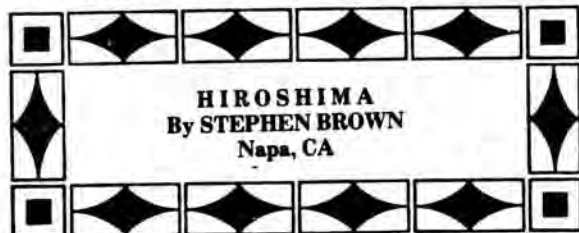


Chart #8 - Nullification Proclamation - Dec. 10, 1832

States felt that they had the right to protest any law passed by Congress, so when the Tariffs of 1828 and 1832 were passed, some states threatened secession. John Calhoun of South Carolina rose in anger warning any attempt to force his state to abide by the tariffs would result in violence (Mars opp. Pluto). Jackson's edict put an end to talk of secession and rebellion was staved off for another 28 years (Sun sex. ASC) despite the unpopularity of the law (Moon sq. ASC). The nation remained united for a while longer (MC trine Uranus) but the seeds for the Civil War were being sown.

*** TO BE CONTINUED ***



This author subscribes to no cause and effect theory operational in Astrology. To the contrary, the synchronicity principle is maintained. In short, the author's version of that can be very simply stated: what goes around, comes around. Conversely, what comes around got on the wheel somewhere, in another time in history and is being reactivated or realigned in synchronistic symbolism. The Hiroshima Incident will clarify that very speedily, but first there was an important eclipse to consider. It told of bad things to come down off the wheel.

The total solar eclipse fell into the 4th House when viewed from the Tokyo meridian. Both luminaries triggered Saturn in Cancer in the 4th House ruling the people and food. By this time, Japan had lost all but approximately 30 of her original merchant fleet of 300. For months, there were scarcely enough supplies to feed the army. The people were depraved, suggestive on Saturn's influence in Cancer, the sign ruling the stomach and food, touched by the planet sometimes of great scarcity, in direct contrast to Jupiter whose influence is to multiply statistics. Hunger was widespread throughout the land and Japanese women and children were mobilized (R-5 and R-6 posited in the 4th House) to defend the homeland with no more than bamboo sticks to be used against any invading Allied troops.

Pisces fell across the ASC. to reflect the condition of the country and its attitude. R-1 Neptune was posited in the 7th House under separating sesquisquare to Neptune. Mars was ruler of the intercepted 1st House and the disastrous nature of the sesquisquare was witnessed by history: the tiny island (Pisces) nation had little capability to make war. Its war supplies were depleted and the government was pleading for a merciful, face-saving, Venus trine Neptune peace with the Allies. When the feelers were sent through the Soviet Union, they were never relayed to the Allies. As a result, worse things came down.

Japan's principal enemy now was the United States which would have been ruled by the 7th House cusp, occupied by Virgo, the sign of armed forces. With Jupiter nearby in Virgo, the United States had mobilized no small number of troops, ships and aircraft. Moreover, it had a secret weapon that was capable of creating a very high effect in the local environment as suggested by R-1 (intercepted) Mars trine R-9 Jupiter. It suggested that the enemy had long range air strike capabilities.

Both rulers of the 1st House, Mars and Neptune, were in sesquisquare aspect, reflecting the inability of the defensive arm of the Ascendant to ward off an air strike while the ASC. was sesquisquare the 7th House ruler Mercury, which was conjunct Pluto in Leo. There would be a stunning display of power, an awesome display of the enemy's capability to eradicate or simply erase a city or two along with 100,000 Japanese citizens.

A similar viewpoint can be gained from yet another perspective of this eclipse chart. Aquarius occupied the 12th House cusp. When inverted, this would rule the enemy armed forces and/or its ships and bases. From a secret base (Tinian Island), the enemy would launch an air strike (Uranus) and drop a nuclear bomb that would devastate local targeted neighborhoods under the Jupiter square Uranus aspect from the 6th to 3rd Houses. It was an action designed to halt Japan's war action and stop military expansion of her troops (R-10 in the 6th House square Uranus, R-12) deployed all over the Western Pacific Ocean.

Japan didn't have long to wait to discover what was coming down off the wheel subsequent to the eclipse of 9 July, 1945.

Astrologers have maintained that eclipse degrees were very powerful and sensitive points of the zodiac but there has been much controversy over how long such points remain polarized. This author makes no statements to justify or invalidate the claims of his peers. He merely will point out the long range effects of this particular eclipse and the incident that followed it.

The next planet and/or astrological factor to trigger off the eclipse point of 17 Cancer (rounded off to the nearest degree) was the Moon conjunct Saturn aspect activated in the Hiroshima chart in the 10th House of government. Saturn was the luminant planet in the eclipse chart. Although past the

eclipse degree of 17 Cancer, it was being triggered for the first time by a conjunction by the Moon in the sign Cancer which rules the people and in the 10th House which rules the government. There would have to be capitulation on behalf of the government if the people were to survive as a race. Nobody realized this as deeply or voiced it except for Emperor Hirohito, a figurehead only and ruled by the 5th House of figureheads in government. With R-5 posited in the 10th House, conjunct Moon, the sensitivity of the eclipse fell on his shoulders. When reports of Hiroshima came to him, Emperor Hirohito was deeply grief stricken. Whatever comes down from Saturn does so with heaviness of feeling when water signs are activated and the area was in concern for the people.

The military government was ruled by the 10th House and the planets contained therein signified issues they had to confront. R-10 was Mercury, posited in the 12th House which ruled enemy troops, for one item. It was applying to a square to Mars (R-8 and bringer of death and destruction) the culmination of which would mark the end of Japan's military actions in World War II. Venus was posited in the 10th House. It ruled the 2nd House which referred to government owned property and otherwise signified the need for serious, grave adjustments on behalf of the government to contend with or negotiate peace with the 7th House ruled, Neptune signified enemy. Venus was applying to a square to Neptune and the government of itself would not easily give up their fanatical idealism nor would the Jupiter (R-4) ruled people yield with Jupiter posited close to R-7 Neptune. The people would support their government's stance to their death had not the Emperor intervened.

Mercury square Mars is not a good symbol for a decision making. The government could not accept the "unconditional surrender" terms offered by the Allies. Finally, the Emperor was asked for his viewpoint. This was a departure from normal policy and was shown in the chart by R-5 and its ominous activation in the 10th House close to the eclipse degree. It was the Emperor who stated that the only sensitive thing to do was to accept the rigid terms of surrender offered by the Allies if the Japanese race was to survive.

With a signifier activating an eclipse degree, the Emperor's life was in grave danger from officers of his own cabinet. After an assassination attempt was thwarted, aides of the Emperor recorded a statement made by him stating that the war was over and the country would accept Allied peace terms.

What occurred at Hiroshima came down from R-6, the inverted 12th House for the Japanese enemy. A secret weapon was indicated, one that would mark sudden endings just as Jupiter opened the action at Pearl Harbor in 16 Gemini 30; only now it was Uranus, signifier of the nuclear weapon used then. If there are 21,600 minutes of arc to the zodiac, then some indication of the synchronization between planetary cycles and events was shown by comparison. Moreover, if we can go as far as to allow two minutes orb, then MC was also conjunct Uranus and doubly emphasizing the importance of the degree and minute of 16 Gemini 30. (These can vary by a minute of arc, depending upon which computer program one uses.) This would extend the odds against coincidental placement by 21,600 X 21,600!

Just as any conjunction with the ASC. is a very personal experience in a natal chart, so too is a conjunction of the MC with a planet very personally felt by the government in a mundane chart. Uranus delivered that message and true to form, it was with an explosive mechanism. Much more can be made of this chart but before passing, the curious 11th House placements should be mentioned. Sun was just past conjunction to Pluto, signifier of the Axis plan during World War II. Enemy armed forces ruled by the 12th House and the Sun now wrecked that plan and government officials ruled by Mercury were to come under control of the enemy forces (R-10 in the 12th House). But a curious, lasting, 11th House ruled alliance was to develop between the two. Japan would adopt the form of government of her sworn enemy during the war and historians would wonder just how General Douglas MacArthur managed to win them over to Democracy. This would be the

greatest feat ever credited to the famous general by some historians.

The Hiroshima chart is another master chart of a sort. It marks the first time in the current cycle of recorded history where nuclear weapons were used against another nation. It marked the end of World War II...basically...and perhaps set the underlying factors for what could be known someday as World War III. If so, watch 16 Gemini 30. What goes on the wheel is on the wheel for all time. The wheel spins and as it does, it gets synchronized from time to time, bringing events long since thought dead or inactive, and reactivates them. What goes around indeed comes around! It did between Pearl Harbor and Hiroshima.

CONCLUSION



It is getting progressively harder to understand ourselves in this modern society. Astrology and Psychology are two disciplines that are trying to give us an edge on this understanding. Often the concepts of the two overlap. For instance, in Astrology we talk about the four elements or motivations. There is:

1) **Fire** - which represents the qualities of enthusiasm and inspiration.

2) **Earth** - which stands for practicality and pragmatism.

3) **Air** - or intellect, the ability to use logic.

4) **Water** - which stands for emotion and reflection.

The 12 Zodiacal signs are divided neatly into four sets of three signs in the above modes of expression. They are as follows:

Fire Signs: Aires, Leo, Sagittarius

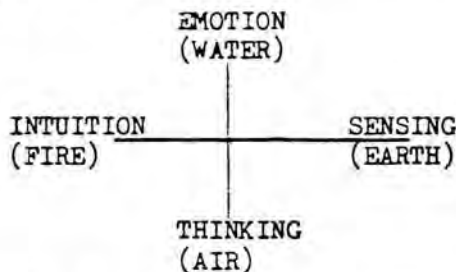
Earth Signs: Taurus, Virgo, Capricorn

Air Signs: Gemini, Libra, Aquarius

Water Signs: Cancer, Scorpio, Pisces

Carl Jung used a set of four types of human behaviors. He called them Intuitive, Sensing, Thinking, and Emotional. One can even take a psychological test to determine how one scores in the above categories (i.e.: Isabel Meyers - Briggs Test). It is generally accepted by Psychologists studying Astrology and Astrologers studying Psychology that the intuitive function corresponds to fire, sensing to earth, thinking to air, and emotion to water.

Depending on one's personality, each person has one major function with an opposite minor function and two sub-functions. This can be envisioned in the diagram below if one takes any one point as the major function.



Jung's theory follows that one's major function is how one best perceives and relates in the world and that the opposite function is a quality that is not readily accessible to the individual. The other two functions back up the major function. Astrologers count the number of planets in each element and determine the personality type from the results. For instance,

if one had a majority of planets in air signs in one's natal or birth chart, they would be a thinking type, who was not really in touch with or sure of their emotions. The intuitive and sensing sub-functions would both be active. When it came to dealing with emotional issues, the person could be at a loss.

Of course, one's planets progress and change as we go through life. Usually one's testing type does correspond with their chart type. When discrepancies occur, there is more to be looked into.

Elements (Fire, Earth, Air, Water) are basic to Astrology. As my teacher, Harriet Friedlander always says, one can always count on the basic principles of Astrology. There are a lot of fancy things one can do with a chart, but it is the basics that the professional always comes back to.

CHARLOTTE TUTON, Wellesley, MA Oct. 23, 1986

Re: Jessica Savitch birth data:

On the third anniversary of this remarkable woman's tragic accident, I finally did what I certainly should have done before submitting my original article on Jessica Savitch. I went straight to the **source**, her own autobiography - **ANCHORWOMAN**, Putnam, 1982. In it, on page 11, Ms. Savitch says that she is 34 years old in 1982, the date of the completion and publication of the book. Later, on page 176, she states that in January, 1980, when she married for the first time, she was still 31. Two or three weeks later, on Feb. 1, 1980, she would turn 32. Hence, year of birth was 1948 and not 1947, as **Ms. McGinnis** recalls.

The national networks NBC, ABC and CBS, plus **PEOPLE MAGAZINE** and local/national newspapers all stated Feb. 1, 1948. Ms. Savitch verifies it in her own book. If the time given me over the phone by the **PEOPLE MAG.** employee, of "between 9 and 9:30 a.m. - or around nine" is also right, then my rectified chart has a high probability of being right, giving Ms. Savitch a Pisces Asc. If Ms. McGinnis's recollection about the specific time of 11:30 a.m. is more accurate than her remembrances as to which year Jessica was born and which year she died, then she would have a Taurus Asc. Predictably, Jessica didn't mention in her book what her horoscope Asc. was. However, with at least the day and year correct, and with either 9 to 9:30, up to 11 to 11:30 to work with on 2/1/48 (Wilmington, DE. is 75W33 - 39N45, while Kennett Square, PA is 75W43 - 39N51) perhaps some **Mercury Hour** readers would be interested in trying both times, or somewhere in between, as an exercise in chart rectification.

Note that Kennet Square is where the Savitch family lived, but it had no major hospital. I have been told by resident acquaintances from that area, that K. Sq. mothers generally travel the short distance to Wilmington, DE. to deliver their babies, so most probably Jessica Savitch was born at the hospital in Wilmington, which wouldn't change the Asc./MC. or cusps a great deal in any case.

Finally, I would like to quote from the front inside jacket summary of Jessica's book, **ANCHORWOMAN**.

"When America's foremost anchorwoman joined the network in 1977 as a Senate correspondent and weekend anchor, she was **capping a meteoric rise to stardom.**" (underlining mine) "Meteoric." If I am not mistaken, Helen McGinnis objected to my own use of the word "meteoric" but I doubt very much that Ms. Savitch would have allowed it on the jacket blurb of her autobiography, if she had disapproved. She was 29 years old in 1977, and already on the top. Connie Chung is 40 years old now, and only became "big" in a national visibility sense, when she was 37.

BARBARA MAY, Tucson, AZ October 23, 1986

In view of the recent confusion about time changes in Illinois in the pages of **MH**, I thought maybe you might like to reprint this article in our local paper for students and anyone else who likes to keep informed of time changes that are on-going as well as historically. Many of my colleagues are surprised when they realize Arizona **doesn't** go on DST with the rest of the country each year. I know I was surprised about it when we moved here from California in 1972. The headline

indicates the Arizona & Hawaiian view, as AZ is always on MST and Hawaii is always on HST, +7 and +10 respectively.

**U.S. TO GET BACK
 IN STEP WITH ARIZONA,
 HAWAII ON SUNDAY
 Tucson, Thurs. Oct. 23, 1986**

The Arizona Daily Star

WASHINGTON (AP) - Starting Sunday, America will be on time again.

Standard time returns for most Americans at 2 a.m., when clocks should be set back an hour.

While many people find the annual changes confusing, today's system is much simpler than timekeeping in the 19th century.

Standard time began on Nov. 18, 1883, providing the first uniform national system of time.

Before that, time was a local commodity, with each city and town setting its public clock according to the passage of the Sun at noontime.

Thus, each hour was marked in Albany, N.Y., 61 seconds before it occurred in New York City. And the same hour would be marked in Baltimore 10 minutes and 27 seconds later.

Sacramento, Calif., was 3 hours, 9 minutes and 51 seconds earlier than New York City, but 3 minutes and 56 seconds later than San Francisco.

At one point, the state of Connecticut had five time regions.

It was the railroads, trying to make sense out of their timetables, that organized the current system of uniform time zones.

Standard time won't last as long this season as it has in the past, though, thanks to some tinkering done by Congress.

Under a bill signed by President Reagan in July, daylight saving time will begin on the first Sunday of next April, instead of the last Sunday. The switch back to standard time remains the same - the last Sunday in October.

The semiannual clock changes - first used during World War I - affect the majority of Americans, although a few avoid the switch.

Hawaii opted out in 1967, and Arizona in 1968 - although Indian reservations in Arizona, which are under federal jurisdiction, observe the summer switch to daylight time.

Indiana, however, has perhaps become the most complex case, with parts of the state in differing time zones, and parts of the state observing the summer time change to daylight reckoning while other areas do not.

Also want to thank the **MH** respondents to the Sex Survey **Lee Lehman** and I are conducting. The response has been gratifying, and many of you have put "**MH**" on the sheets. As in most surveys, we have received back the expected 10% of the total surveys handed out, so if you haven't sent yours in yet, please do so before the end of the year. First results will be shared at the **Seven Hills Conference** in June of 1987 in a joint lecture by **Lee** and me.

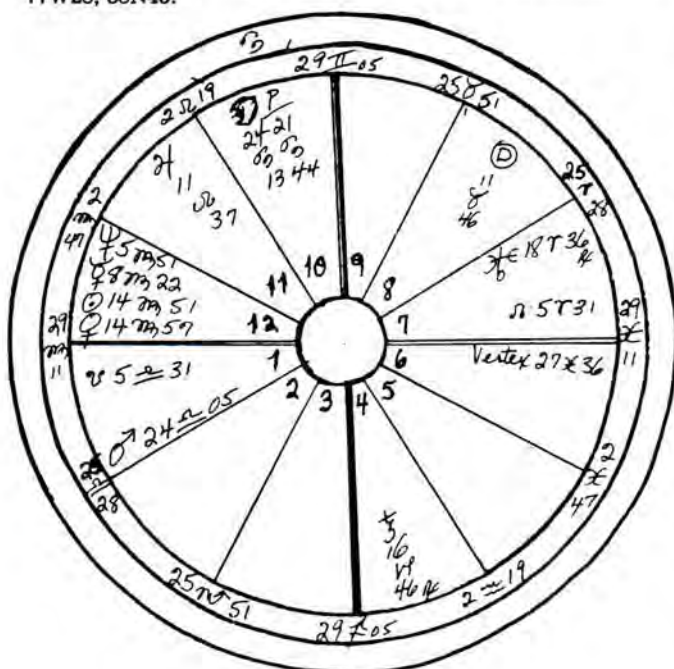
MARC PENFIELD, Hollywood, CA October 3, 1986

In the article I wrote for you last month on "Cities and their Numerology", I would like to substitute the following in place of what was previously stated. I don't remember the exact wording of the original (I've seemed to have misplaced my original), so if you can find the section where I talk about the Numbers and their Planetary correspondences, I would appreciate you putting in the following and throwing away the original paragraph, etc. Thanks.

Over the years, I've read books which differ on the numbers and their planetary correspondences. Most agree on three or four, but the others remain a mystery. I've found the following to work best: 1 - Sun, 2 - Moon, 3 - Jupiter, 4 - Saturn, 5 - Mercury, 6 - Venus, 7 - Uranus, 8 - Mars & Pluto, 9 - Neptune. I find this system works quite well when reading cards; otherwise, the correlation doesn't seem to be all that important.

SUNNY VON BULOW'S CHART -
A Modest Speculative Proposal
 and
The WYNN KEY CYCLE Formula -
a valuable predictive tool
 By **CHARLOTTE TUTION**
 Wellesley, MA

Proceeding on a tentative assumption that Sept. 8, 1931, was the d.o.b. of Martha "Sunny" Crawford, and realizing that all that follows is **purely speculative** until authenticated proof is obtained, I feel that a likely natal chart has a Sidereal time of 5h56m, corresponding to 6:09 a.m. EST at Manassas, VA. 77W28, 38N45.



*Speculative
Natal Chart*

Sunny von Bulow
 9-8-1931
 6:59 a.m. EST
 Manassas, VA.
 77W28; 38N45
 GMT: 11h 59m.

S.T. 5h56m 0s

Volumes have been written, and thousands of lines of journalistic copy, covering every aspect of her life. However, the **least biased**, most rigorously, disciplined research was done by William Wright in **THE VON BULOW AFFAIR** (Delacorte, 1983). All of Mr. Wright's meticulous investigations seem to fit my speculative chart, while they led him to the "reluctant" conclusion that Sunny was neither the pampered, self-indulgent, "lush" and "junkie" depicted by her husband and his defense team during his two trials; nor did she cause her own final, terminal coma by mishandling drugs and alcohol.

Like many others, nationally as well as the world over, I was at first (and for three years!) vehemently pro-Claus. I refused to listen to any disparaging comments or theories about this stylish, aristocratic, cultured Dane who walked with his head held high, nobly and alone, to and from his court appearances each day of each trial.

However, **also like many former pro-Claus** advocates, and observers of this sad, naked drama, I too began to have doubts. The doubts led to extensive research over roughly a six month

period at my college library, the town library and from books, periodicals and news clippings sent to me by friends who were aware of my research.

Now, with the advantage of the highly technical work on Martha Crawford's conception chart, made available to me by an expert in that field, I feel strongly that Sunny has a 29 Virgo Ascendant with her meridian angles forming an exact grand mutable cross with the horizon. Her 4th cusp coincides closely with the degrees of the transiting Sun at the presumed time of her conception, just as her Saturn natally occupies 16 Capricorn, precisely where Venus was in her conception chart.

While this article's focus is not upon a defense or justification of my rectified birth chart, it warrants mentioning that the logic of the configuration includes the fact that her father, George Crawford, a self-made multi-millionaire with a fortune in oil, gas and utilities conglomerates, was born in 1861. He was 66 years old when he met 28 year old Annie Laurie Warmack, (daughter of a wealthy St. Louis shoe manufacturer. They were married in 1927, and their only child was born when her father was 70 years old. She hardly knew him, for he died when she was four.

Saturn is the prominent handle to her bucket chart, and it is doubly, powerful, as it occupies the 4th alone, in its own sign, while forming the 4th leg of Sunny's grand cardinal square to Uranus in Aries in the hidden side of her 7th of marriage, to Mars conjunct the 2nd cusp, and to her powerful Pluto-Moon conjunction in the mother's 10th. Sunny, in fact, had two mothers, for she was raised exclusively and extremely protectively, by mother and grandmother in the luxurious town house at 990 Fifth Avenue.

Her upbringing was strict. She was continually under surveillance, lest she fall prey to the ubiquitous fortune hunters, of which the worldly maternal "guards" were all too well aware. Her friends and associates were so carefully screened that she wound up retreating to the solace and companionship of books, reading a book a day more often than not.

The older Sunny became, the more shy and reclusive her habits were, to the point where she eschewed college because she felt so "different" that she feared ridicule as much as she was almost abnormally paranoid about crowds. The heavy stellium in Virgo, in her 12th suggests her lifelong reclusiveness as well as a well-known phobia about her health, weight and diet. The Virgo stellium in the 12th of "final hospitalization and/or confinement" certainly fits her situation as well. Mercury ruling the 12th as well as disposing Neptune and conjunct it tells the sad story. She is in an irreversible coma in a hospital room.

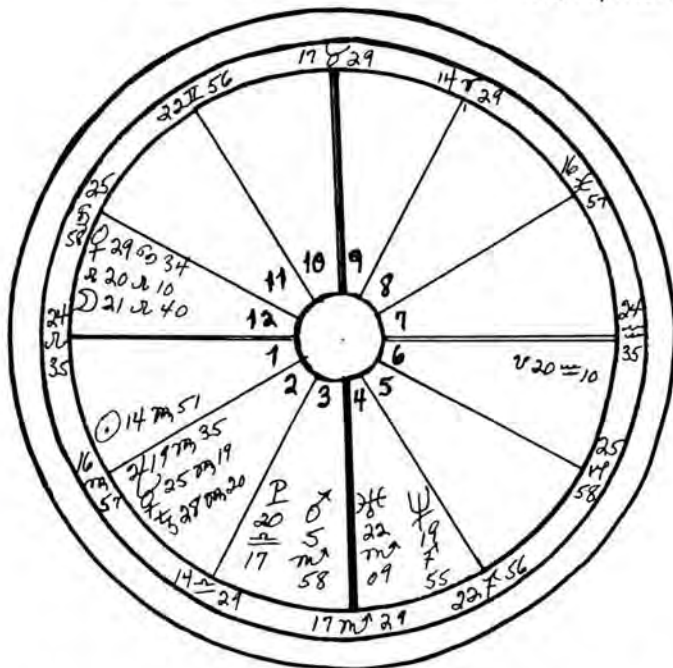
The south lunar node occupying her 1st suggests the feeling of serious lack, as it is saturnian in nature, and many natives whose 1st Houses hold the south node experience some sense of lack, real or imagined - a kind of inferiority complex. Since Libra is the 7th House, socializing sign, Sunny felt inferior among her peers who went on to college, and often spoke about it to others. Yet, she desired to reach out to friends. This is evidenced by her Jupiter in Leo in the Sun-ruled 11th, and it is true that her only friends were other wealthy heiresses whom she had known at the Chapin School, then later at St. Timothy's in Maryland. Her guardian mothers saw to it that her friends were acceptable to **them**.

When a first romance with a Russian diplomat at the U.N. began to blossom, so did Annie Laurie's sense of alarm. She envisioned and deliberately planned a traditional, high society **American** husband for her daughter. Seeking to disprove the adage that absence makes the heart grow fonder, Annie Laurie whisked Sunny off to a European Grand Tour in the mid 50's, but the plan went in direct opposition to Mrs. Crawford's intentions, for Sunny met and married Prince "Alfie" von Auersperg on July 20, 1957. She bore her two children who were later to figure so prominently in the tragic turn of events resulting from Sunny's marriage to Claus von Bulow. Then, because of what would now be called "irreconcilable differences" Sunny's first marriage ended in divorce, and on June 18, 1966, she married von Bulow.

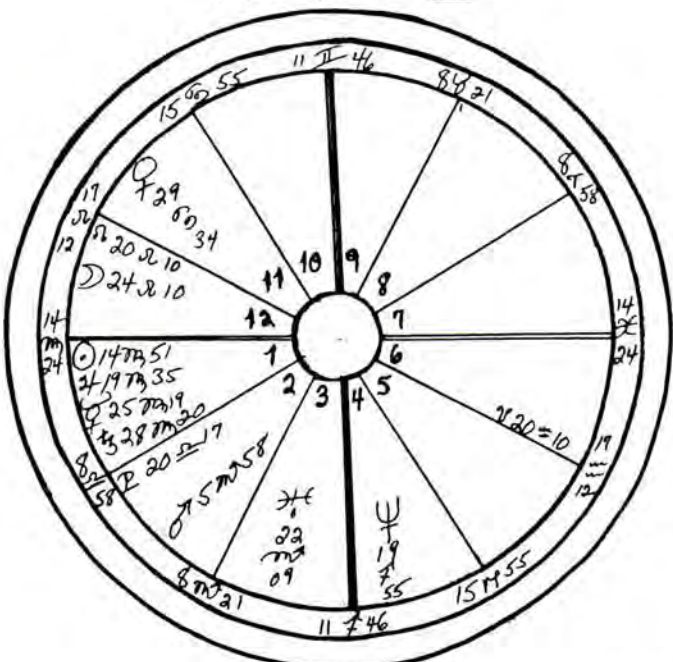
The rest is now both mystery and legend. Briefly, she loved her Newport home, her by-then **three** children. She especially gloried in her lush gardens full of a splendor of flowers; and she had a genuine passion for her pet dogs, for whom she cared and nurtured as if they too were her children. That too is an expression of the Virgo stellium in the 12th House.

On national television, in hundreds of interviews, her two older children as well as her daughter by Claus repeat without contradiction that their mother was almost obsessively a homebody, retiring, shy of the limelight - a mother and family woman first and foremost. Surely the 10th angular Moon conjunct Pluto illustrates this tendency and preference of life style. So does Saturn in her 4th, among a multitude of other connotations.

S.T. 3^h 0^m 45^s Solar Return Sept 8, 1980 Sunny on Bular
(Based upon Speculative natal chart) Newport, R.I.
71W 17; 41N 19



S.T. 4^h 41^m 30^s Solar Return Progressed Sunny on Bular
to Dec 21, 1980 - Come



Sunny's solar return for what would be her final three months of her conscious life has her 11th House rising with 24 Leo on the Ascendant. It is a modified bowl pattern with only the 12th through 4th Houses occupied by s.r. planets. There is an ominous augury for her health, and perhaps her life. The nodal axis with the north node conjunct the Moon, for a T-square to her 4th cusp and Uranus, which in turn disposes the south node in her 6th. Neptune is also in the s.r. 4th, square her natal Sun and Jupiter, in a split conjunction over the 2nd cusp. Pluto squares itself and the natal Moon, while Mars - also in the 3rd with Pluto - is inconjunct the lone north natal lunar node in aggressive Aries in the s.r. 8th of death.

Now, employing the Wynn Key Cycle formula for advancing the solar return chart to the fatal day of Dec. 21, 1980, we count the number of solar degrees between her natal Sun (14 Virgo 51 = 164 51) and 29 Sagittarius 16, when she fell into her permanent coma (269 16):

$$\begin{array}{r} 268 \ 76 \\ - 164 \ 51 \\ \hline 104 \ 25 \end{array}$$

Using the KEY CYCLE SIDEREAL TIME INCREMENTS from Wynn's book, published by AFA (shown below) we look down the line under Sun degrees until we find 104°.

Table from THE KEY CYCLE, by Wynn. AFA.

KEY CYCLE SIDEREAL TIME INCREMENTS

Add the amount of Sidereal Time (S. T.) indicated in this table for the distance travelled by the Sun in degrees. See text. Add 1 minute to obtain midpoint between any two consecutive S. T.'s in this table.

Sun Deg.	S. T.	Sun Deg.	S. T.	Sun Deg.	S. T.	Sun Deg.	S. T.
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2-01 56		92-1 29 08		182-2 56 19		272-4 23 31	
4-03 53		94-1 31 04		184-2 58 15		274-4 25 27	
6-05 49		96-1 33 00		186-3 00 12		276-4 27 23	
8-07 45		98-1 34 57		188-3 02 08		278-4 29 20	
10-09 41		100-1 36 53		190-3 04 04		280-4 31 16	
12-11 38		102-1 38 49		192-3 06 01		282-4 33 12	
14-13 34		104-1 40 45		194-3 07 57		284-4 35 08	
16-15 30		106-1 42 42		196-3 09 53		286-4 37 05	
18-17 26		108-1 44 38		198-3 11 49		288-4 39 01	
20-19 23		110-1 46 34		200-3 13 46		290-4 40 57	
22-21 19		112-1 48 30		202-3 15 42		292-4 42 53	
24-23 15		114-1 50 27		204-3 17 38		294-4 44 50	
26-25 11		116-1 52 23		206-3 19 34		296-4 46 46	
28-27 08		118-1 54 19		208-3 21 31		298-4 48 42	
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36-34 53		126-2 02 04		216-3 29 16		306-4 56 27	
38-36 49		128-2 04 00		218-3 31 12		308-4 58 23	
40-38 45		130-2 05 57		220-3 33 08		310-5 00 20	
42-40 41		132-2 07 53		222-3 35 04		312-5 02 16	
44-42 38		134-2 09 49		224-3 37 01		314-5 04 12	
46-44 34		136-2 11 45		226-3 38 57		316-5 06 08	
48-46 30		138-2 13 42		228-3 40 53		318-5 08 05	
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56-54 15		146-2 21 27		236-3 48 38		326-5 15 50	
58-56 11		148-2 23 23		238-3 50 34		328-5 17 46	
60-58 08		150-2 25 19		240-3 52 31		330-5 19 42	
62-59 04		152-2 27 15		242-3 54 27		332-5 21 38	
64-61 00		154-2 29 12		244-3 56 23		334-5 23 35	
66-63 56		156-2 31 08		246-3 58 19		336-5 25 31	
68-65 53		158-2 33 04		248-4 00 16		338-5 27 27	
70-67 49		160-2 35 00		250-4 02 12		340-5 29 23	
72-69 45		162-2 36 57		252-4 04 08		342-5 31 20	
74-71 41		164-2 38 53		254-4 06 04		344-5 33 16	
76-73 38		166-2 40 49		256-4 08 01		346-5 35 12	
78-75 34		168-2 42 45		258-4 09 57		348-5 37 08	
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The table (for which credit should go to David J. Lloyd) is based on Sun motion for one year. Each block represents thirty degrees, the twelve blocks corresponding to the complete circle of 360 degrees.

This corresponds to a Sidereal increment of 1h40m 45s. Now, we add 1h40m 45s to the Sidereal time of the solar return - 3h0m 45s. The product of this addition gives us a new Sidereal time of 4h41m 30s. Looking **forward** in the Table of Houses to this Sidereal time, we set up Sunny's progressed solar return key cycle chart which now coincides with Dec. 21, 1980.

The resulting chart is astonishing, for it has an Ascendant of 14 Virgo 24, conjunct her natal Sun and Venus, followed by Jupiter at 19 Virgo, Mercury at 25 Virgo and Saturn at 28 Virgo. Pluto and Mars have now moved into the 2nd House of Sunny's money and possessions. Neptune is now alone in the 4th of end-of-life, square 1st House Jupiter, co-rulers **both** of her natal 7th of husband.

Natal Saturn has now come to a conjunction to the 5th cusp, opposite the 11th. Note that for this final solar return of her active, conscious life, solar return Saturn was conjunct her natal Ascendant at 28 Virgo. When Sunny married Claus von Bulow, Saturn was at 28 Pisces, conjunct her natal 7th cusp; hence a "fatal" Saturnian half-cycle.

Astrologers who pay serious attention to transits throughout the year, to the progressed (1° per month) solar return Moon, will notice that by Dec. 21, 1980, Sunny's original s.r. Moon had come to 24 Leo 10 and a conjunction to the birthday s.r. Ascendant. When the s.r. began, her Moon for the year was at 21 Leo, square Claus' Asc/Desc.

Transits to the Wynn Key Cycle progressed chart show Jupiter and Saturn at 8 and 9 Libra respectively, conjunct the 2nd cusp, opposing her husband's 2nd (her 8th - and his money.) Vindamatrix, is called the "Widomaker" and is at 8 Libra. Transiting Mars was at 23 Capricorn quincunx Sunny's progressed s.r. Moon, still in her 12th. Other striking aspects to the solar return and progressed solar return chart can easily be seen.

Taking the Moon transit at 9 p.m. Dec. 21, 1980, the time reported by Maria Shralhammer, Sunny's personal maid, as the onset of the coma, it was at 5 Cancer, square Sunny's natal nodes. Pluto was 23 Libra, conjunct the natal 2nd cusp and Mars. This would indicate violence, and since the 2nd House is so heavily-accented by transits as well as by solar return and Key Cycle progressions, it would appear that violence, drugs (Pluto-Neptune-Mars) were elements connected with money or inheritance at that time.

Wynn's Key Cycle method has been of unfailing assistance to me in calculating yearly predictions, or as in this case, in attempting to establish the dynamics of an occurrence at a specific time. If you try it for yourselves, using the table printed here, you may find it helpful also, in your practice and research.

An excellent exercise would be to test this formula with Claus von Bulow's solar return for Aug. 11, 1980, which has a Sidereal time of 6h56m 53s, yielding an M.C. of critical cardinal 13 Cancer, with 11 Libra on the Asc. - drawn for Newport, RI. Not surprisingly, his solar return Fortuna was at 8 Libra, conjunct Vindamatrix in his 12th of clandestine affairs, while his progressed Sun (to the natal chart) was at 10 Libra 59.

The Wynn Key Cycle formula, applied to Claus von Bulow's 1980 solar return, progressing it to Dec. 21, is just as "telling" as is Sunny's. The Sun degree difference between 18 Leo 05 and 29 Sagittarius 16 is a motion of 131 11. Looking down the Wynn Key Cycle tables to 131 Sun degrees, we see that this corresponds to a Sidereal increment of 2h 13m 42s. Added to Claus' solar return S.R., we obtain an S.T. of 9h10m 35s.

The resulting KEY CYCLE solar return chart has 15 Leo 11 on the M.C. and an Asc. of 7 Scorpio 28. Now, the picture is startling indeed, for Claus' prog. M.C. is conjunct the Key Cycle Asc., while his prog. Moon is combust the 11th cusp at 18 Virgo. The original s.r. Venus, which began at 3 Cancer in his 9th, has now moved into the 8th of death, conjunct his natal Vertex, also at 3 Cancer. Note that at 7 p.m., the time when Ala and Alexander reported that Claus went alone to the bar, to mix Sunny's last egg nog, the transiting Moon was precisely at 3 Cancer. Her older children reported to William Wright (THE VON BULOW AFFAIR) that shortly after Sunny had sipped that last egg nog, she began to appear groggy, to slur her words, and at last said that she wanted to retire for the evening.

Of course, it may certainly have been a mere coincidence. However, a woman who was so groggy and simply **sleepy and tired** that she only wanted to go to bed for the night would hardly have rushed to her bathroom, thrashed around wildly, bumping against the fixtures enough to give herself massive bruises and abrasions, then given herself multiple, deep scratches either before or after rushing into her husband's private bedroom closet to take out a syringe, fill it with insulin, inject herself **through the scalp**: no needle marks were found on any part of the body, yet there was an excessively high level of insulin in her blood; then - THEN! - carefully replaced the

empty syringe into the black bag, back into the closet, then run (or stumble) back to her own bathroom to drape herself around the base of her own toilet and drop off into a terminal coma!

This was the contention of the C.v.B. defense. But Sunny's older children were **present** during the simple, cheerful, quiet egg nog family gathering. Theirs is not a story of a distraught, wildly-drugged mother. To the contrary, they have now told millions that their mother was happy, calm, enjoying the quiet evening until after that last egg nog when she seemed only to want to go to sleep. Ironically, she did indeed - presumably forever.

Claus' original Aug. 11th solar return Moon was at 15 Leo. Now, by progression, it is conjunct the Key Cycle M.C., while the **progressed** s.r. Moon has passed over Claus' 18 Leo Sun, and on 12/21/80 is at 19 Leo applying to the s.r. north lunar node in the Key Cycle chart 10th. At the same time, it is partile square Claus' natal Saturn, which is now in the prog. 1st House s.r. chart at 19 Scorpio.

Time and space do not permit further discussion of the awesome synastry between the natal, progressed, solar return and Key Cycle prog. s.r. charts of these two natives, but I hope that the Wynn Key Cycle method has been helpful and interesting, regardless of whether or not the chart for Sunny is correct or not. It is, at present, **only speculative**.

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October 9, 1986

Victoria L. Stephens, 51st ed. p. 2: From what you say, **Tony Joseph** must have a lot of talent and much compassion. I've heard much about him, but never got to meet him. But someone sent me a tape of one of his lectures for which I'm glad. Is that birth time 0:35 EST 12:30 a.m. or 12:30 p.m.? I must have been out to lunch when the rules were laid down. For one using a midnight ephemeris this is 12:35 a.m., but for one using a noon ephemeris, it's 12:30 p.m. **Jewell**, is there an iron-clad rule here? I'd hate to go to the trouble of making a chart and then find that it's 12 hours off. **People using computers are often asked to enter zeros instead of 12 and also people using military time use zeros for 12 a.m. when people denote time with zeros, we use them as a.m. time. Jewell.**

Another thing, is it too much to ask to clarify the spot where a thing, birth, event took place, rather than just the coordinates? A town, a city, state, a "farm near Nickerson, Kansas"?

At the same time, let me extend a posie to **Jacqueline Delacroix** and her birth data on her brother. This is what I call complete and it is a pleasure to work with data like this. The only possible "extra" she might have put in would be the source, but to work a chart right I can use her data nicely, thank you. Oh, this was 51st ed. p. 60.

Carol Devine-Carroll, 16th ex. p. 17: Bravo! You're "leaning toward the birth certificate time as life goes on." I'm with you. I'm one of those rare astrologers who believes that the B.C. is of real value. I get so tired of charts that are speculated, guessed at, rectified, pendulumed, crystal-balled, etc., etc., etc., that I'm just about at the point where if I get anything with anything of the above I will just quietly toss it into file 13.

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June 19, 1986

Talk about being embarrassed! **Charlotte Tuton** was NOT the writer of the letter I lambasted in the July issue of **M.H.** I'm sure Charlotte is upset to have been blamed for a letter she didn't write. I hope she will accept my apology for the distress it caused her.

In writing my letter I checked to see who had written the letter I was responding to and seeing Charlotte's name at the top of the letter I mistook it for the writer's name. Actually it was written by **Frank Jakubowsky**.

In case other astrologers are curious, my ruling planet - Mercury - was retrograde in my 7th House square natal Mars in the 10th when I wrote the offending (or should I say "offensive") letter.

the chart of the city in question as well as the numerological correspondences, or you may live to regret your decision.

As my Destiny number is 8, any city which falls into that category would have compatible interests. Los Angeles falls right in there, regardless of which name is used.

When I changed my name legally to Marc Heeren Penfield, I then took on a Heart or Soul vibration of 8, a Personality vibration of 9 and a Destiny number of 8, which coincided with my birthpath number. It's also interesting to note that I was born on the 8th of the month and at 8 in the evening.

If you live in a city, like Los Angeles or parts of New York, that use a postal code that relates to your specific neighborhood, you must always use the corporate city name, not the postal name. I live in Hollywood (which used to be an independent city, but since 1915 has been part of L.A.) The same would apply to places like Encino, Woodland Hills, Sherman Oaks in the San Fernando Valley part of our city, and to places like Flushing, Jamaica and Forest Hills in the Queens section of New York City.

Remember, that if you desire to do numerology for a foreign country, you must use the correct name of that country, and not the one we use here in America. For example, Germany is Deutschland, Italy is Italia, Spain is Espana and Finland is Suomi. Hungary has a real mouthful: Magyarorszag. the list goes on and on, so remember to take this into consideration. The same applies to cities as well. Munich is Muchen, Cologne is Koln, Rome is Roma.

#1 Heart or Soul - You want to be the center of things and assume the role of leader. You think your ideas are the most original and creative around and are happiest when in control. You want things done quickly, but are prone to leave things unfinished. Independence is important to you, so you prefer to work alone. Sometimes you abuse others by your impatience and lack of understanding.

Cities: Phoenix, Ft. Lauderdale, Indianapolis, New Orleans, St. Louis, Dayton, Providence, Austin, Spokane, Cheyenne.

#2 Heart or Soul - You want a peaceful and tranquil existence with all the basic comforts of life, complete with loving companionship. You want your life free of drastic change. Being a homebody, your view of the world is limited to your immediate environment. You need someone to be the center of your life and to make important decisions for you. Marriage and family life are important, for you like to cooperate, being patient and tactful.

Cities: San Diego, San Jose, Long Beach, Denver, Orlando, Honolulu, Albany [N.Y.], Toledo, Charleston [S.C.], San Antonio, Milwaukee.

#3 Heart or Soul - You want to lead an exciting and glamorous existence centered around things of beauty and pleasure. You desire lots of action coupled with many friends to occupy your time. You love to talk, for to you life is a stage and you can perform at a moment's notice. You love romance and are an incorrigible flirt. You desire to be admired for your wit and charm.

Cities: Hartford, St. Petersburg, Baltimore, Detroit, Buffalo, Houston, Philadelphia, Ottawa.

#4 Heart or Soul - You desire a carefully-planned agenda, for you're a very practical individual. Disciplined and hard-working, you love order and system. Motivated by a sense of duty and responsibility, you strive for honesty and respectability. Many loyal friends surround you, despite your infrequent displays of overt emotion. You despise your infrequent displays of overt emotion. You despise frivolity and pretention. You feel you must maintain the status quo at all costs and can be miserly.

Cities: Chicago, Portland [ME.], Boston, New York, Cincinnati, Norfolk, Madison, Winnipeg, Toronto.

#5 Heart or Soul - You want freedom, change and variety in your life. All forms of sensual stimuli are important to you like sex, food and drink. You can be accused of being irresponsible, for you thrive on anything new. You love to travel and experience new thrills and adventures. You will learn more by doing than through books. You detest boredom and inactivity.

Cities: Birmingham, Miami Beach, Des Moines, Las Vegas, Cleveland, Regina, Washington.

#6 Heart or Soul - Your main objective is harmony, both socially and artistically. You have a strong sense of justice and fair play as well as a deep responsibility for others. You want to aid and assist people, often negating your own desires in the process. You love domestic life and enjoy having others depend on you. You enjoy all that is beautiful and colorful.

Cities: Mobile, Atlanta, Minneapolis, Omaha, Columbus [Ohio], Tacoma, Portland [Ore.], Edmonton.

#7 Heart or Soul - You would like to live in an ivory tower, high above the world contemplating and meditating in undisturbed peace and quiet. You need privacy more than most people and aren't afraid of being alone. You communicate through your superior mind, leaving the emotions at the front door. You strive for refinement and simplicity, and love nature and animals. Fond of the occult and metaphysics, you're often eccentric and unusual, for the conventional doesn't appeal to you at all.

Cities: San Francisco, Oakland, Los Angeles, Memphis, Richmond, San Juan, Vancouver, Montreal, Halifax.

#8 Heart or Soul - Motivated by a desire for money and power, you want to have control over others. Ambitious for authority and material success, you want your business as well as your friendships to show a profit. You love to take charge and are often thought of as being bossy. You demand organization and efficiency in everything and never lose control or show any emotion. You pride yourself on your physical stamina. Your life is one of work hard and play hard. You expect allegiance and respect from others.

Cities: Miami, Louisville, St. Paul, Charlotte, Oklahoma City, Pittsburgh, Nashville, Dallas, Victoria, Quebec.

#9 Heart or Soul - You desire to expand your consciousness to encompass all things. Being interested in philosophies and concepts that have a universal appeal, you're the humanitarian who desires to make this a better place in which to live. Sympathetic, understanding and compassionate, you believe in the brotherhood of man and respond to things in a very emotional manner. An ardent romantic idealist, music and art appeal to your sense of harmony. You think of others first and are often generous to a fault.

Cities: Tampa, Kansas City, Reno, Albuquerque, Rochester [NY], Tulsa, Ft. Worth, El Paso, Salt Lake City, Seattle, Calgary.

#1 Expression - You're a creative and independent thinker with the energy to put them into practice. Also a non-conformist and pioneer, you're a true leader, self-centered and self-reliant. You function best when working alone in a position of leadership and authority. Decisive and direct, you won't allow others to interfere with your mission. Learn to be more cooperative and to control your big ego. Your lack of patience can be frustrating.

Cities: Hartford, Chicago, Boston, St. Louis, Omaha, Toledo, Philadelphia, Nashville, Dallas, Houston, Salt Lake City, Charleston [SC], Winnipeg, Ottawa.

#2 Expression - Extremely sensitive to other's opinions, you're overly understanding trying to create harmony wherever you go. Not the leader or rebel, you prefer to cooperate with others than to act independently. You love homelife and have a keen ear for music and eye for beauty. Don't be so willing to settle for peace at any price because you're very vulnerable to those in strong positions of power. Don't let the details get you down, and look on the bright side of life more often.

Cities: Oakland, Long Beach, Miami, New Orleans, Detroit, Kansas City, Oklahoma City, San Antonio, El Paso, Norfolk, Madison, Toronto.

#3 Expression - You live life by the pleasure principle with abundant verve and optimism. Your high degree of ambition won't let things get you down. Most people can't resist your charm or gift of gab. You command attention and can get along well with many differing types of people. You possess many talents and your interests are wide-ranging. Often you're too extravagant and tend to exaggerate too much. Don't become

too superficial.

Cities: San Francisco, Miami Beach, Louisville, Baltimore, Minneapolis, Buffalo, Portland (Ore.), Tacoma, Vancouver.

#4 Expression - Very disciplined and practical with ability to organize things for peak efficiency. You work well with your hands and have a strong mechanical bent. Responsible and loyal to family and friends, you surround yourself with established ideas and people. So conservative by nature, you are naturally domestic. Curb your tendency to be dogmatic and self-satisfied. Caution and fear of the unknown can get you into a rut. Broaden your viewpoint and be a little less stubborn. You have great physical stamina.

Cities: Phoenix, Indianapolis, Albany [NY], Pittsburgh, Providence, Richmond, Spokane, San Juan.

#5 Expression - Your greatest talent is the ability to cope with the unexpected, for you thrive on change and variety. Adapting to new situations with great ease, you fear nothing and discard the old and outdated with impunity. You tend to live in your senses, and have an abundant physical appetite for sex. You love people and hate to be left alone. Not always dependable, you're on the go much of the time. Learn to relax and meditate more.

Cities: Tucson, Atlanta, Tulsa, Ft. Worth, Seattle, Cheyenne, Washington.

#6 Expression - Your main ability is the talent to create harmony wherever you go. Peaceful by nature, you will nevertheless fight for what you believe. Honest and reliable, you rebel at anything underhanded or shoddy. You can always see both sides of a question, and make a natural arbiter or go-between. You work well with people, especially in the arts. But you have the habit of meddling in the affairs of others, thinking you have all the answers.

Cities: Mobile, New York, Rochester, Victoria, Edmonton.

#7 Expression - You have the potential to develop your mind to superior heights. You search for the deeper meaning of life and are attracted to the occult and science. Intuitive by nature, you think in the abstract and create utopian states where all is in perfect peace and harmony. You should work alone, for you hate being interrupted or bothered by stupid questions. You tend to be overly aloof and aristocratic, thus being mis-understood by most. Don't let depression or loneliness get you down or cynicism will result.

Cities: Denver, St. Petersburg, Honolulu, Des Moines, Portland [Me.], St. Paul, Las Vegas, Charlotte, Montreal, Quebec.

#8 Expression - You have the potential to reach great heights in business and finance. Organized and intensely practical, you know how to handle others through your strong sense of power and control. You get most things through sheer determination and will-power, mowing down the competition. Possessing great physical stamina, you love sports and sex. Overcome your tendency to be ruthless, letting greed and vengeance get in the way of advancement.

Cities: Birmingham, Los Angeles, Tampa, Albuquerque, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Regina.

#9 Expression - Your highly-developed mental capacity and artistic ability may be used to benefit humanity at large, being compassionate and understanding to the extreme. You inspire others to reach their greatest potential and get results because you create trust instead of fear. Work in any philanthropic or humanitarian enterprise appeals to you, along with music and the arts. Curb your tendency to be all things to all people, thus draining your emotional and financial resources in extravagant displays of love and generosity.

Cities: San Diego, San Jose, Ft. Lauderdale, Orlando, Reno, Columbus [Ohio], Dayton, Memphis, Austin, Milwaukee, Calgary, Halifax.

Obviously I couldn't list all the cities in the country, but with the basic numerical equivalents you can do this with relative ease. Here's happy hunting to those who wish for a better life, and for those who for one reason or another choose not to relocate, I wish you understanding and the ability to adapt to the desires and destiny of the city in which you live. If all else fails, change your name or re-marry.

REAGAN'S REAL ASCENDANT? PART II

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Reagan is 22 years old, less than a year out of college when he lands a job as a rookie announcer at WOC in Davenport, Iowa. The job pays \$100 a month which in early 1933 must be regarded as a very good salary for a 22 year old man. Saturn is in Aquarius, conjunct his natal Sun at 16 1/2° Aquarius.

By 1927, already a known sports announcer in the mid-west, Reagan packs up and takes a trip to Hollywood in his newly purchased Nash car. Saturn in Pisces, near the MC of his chart (assuming a Cancer Asc.). He moves rapidly now.

He signs his first movie contract on June 1, 1937. Saturn is then in Reagan's 10th House of profession, at 3° of Aries.

Reagan marries Jane Wyman, a fellow actress, in Glendale in January 1940. Saturn is 25° of Aries. Jane Wyman is a January 4th, 1914 Capricorn native. Her Asc. is 18° and 33 minutes of Libra and her MC is 21° and 28 minutes of Cancer (Profiles of Women, by Lois M. Rodden). Her Sun falls into Reagan's 7th House of partnerships if a Cancer Asc. is assumed for Reagan, and it falls into his 1st House, near his Ascendant, a Karmic connection, if a Capricorn Ascendant is assumed for Reagan.

On January 4, 1941, Jane Wyman's 27th birthday, a baby daughter they named Maureen is born to the Reagan's. Saturn goes retrograde at 8° of Taurus on January 2, 1941, on the cusp of the 11th if a Cancer Asc. is assumed, and on the cusp of the 4th if a Capricorn Asc. is assumed.

Reagan plays in what critics generally regard as "B" grade movies. Most of these roles are stereotypes in which Reagan plays a male lead who tries hard, is often credulous and usually not too bright. Saturn is descending in his chart, approaching his 12th House, assuming a Cancer Asc.

In contrast, Jane Wyman, whose MC is 22° Cancer, is ascending career-wise, as Saturn transits Gemini during the WW II years on its way into Cancer during the mid-1940's.

By mid-1947, Reagan contracts viral pneumonia and spent time in the Cedars of Lebanon Hospital where he now believes he would have died had it not been for a nurse who kept urging him to breathe. Saturn forms a 4th House square to its natal position and enters Leo. The next three years plague him with career set-backs and health problems.

Meanwhile, as Saturn ascends to the top of Jane Wyman's chart (MC of 21° Cancer), she is riding the crest of her career as an actress in such movies as "Lost Weekend", "The Yearling" and achieves an Oscar for "Johnny Belinda". Reagan plays a role in a movie "Bedtime For Bonzo". It is rumored that Wyman is distracted by Reagan's incessant pre-occupation with and constant talk of left and right wing politics. Saturn, now in Leo, has not yet finished with Reagan.

In February of 1948, Jane, wife now of eight years, announces that she is suing for a divorce from Roanld Reagan, an action she put off while he was sick and still recovering. Saturn retrogrades, forms a lower square to Reagan's Moon at 18° Taurus and opposes Reagan's Sun at 16° Aquarius. It is a most unpleasant aspect.

In a divorce decree granted initially on June 28, 1948, and made final a year later on July 18, 1949, Jane Wyman is awarded custody of the two children. Saturn is now at 4° of Virgo, approaching the Nadir of Reagan's chart, if we assume a Cancer Asc. Reagan, who did not want a divorce, retreats into a shell-much as he had done when "Mugs" Cleaver sent him back his engagement ring 15 years earlier, a half Saturn cycle ago.

The pain of Reagan's "obscure period" though deep and intense, seems to have been short-lived. Unlike most charts

which usually contain as their lower eastern quadrant three full signs, Reagan's first quadrant, due to the obliquity of the ecliptic, is short, extending from approximately 7° of Cancer to 14° of Virgo. Though his marriage to Jane Wyman was shattered, he ends his second Saturn cycle just as the new decade of the 1950's begins. It appears that Reagan lasts about one quarter of a Saturn cycle, or seven and a half years at one given calling or vocation, before he discovers his own or his job's limitations and moves on, in the manner of the Peter Principle to the next level of incompetence.

By 1952 things are looking up. Saturn is well past the Nadir point, well into Libra, climbing upward in his chart. Reagan's marriage to the present Mrs. Reagan, Nancy, a Cancer native, occurred March 4, 1952. Assuming a Cancer Ascendant for Reagan, this puts her Sun in his 1st House of personal affairs. Assuming a Capricorn Ascendant it puts her Sun in his 7th of partnerships.

In 1954, at age 43, Reagan receives a commission to host the "General Electric Theater". At this time Saturn is posited in mid-Scorpio, in trine to his birth chart MC in mid-Pisces. Assuming a Capricorn Ascendant, Saturn is conjunct his Scorpio MC.

The speech that launched Reagan's political career is given on October 27, 1965, with Saturn at 26° of Aquarius, nearing the point of his mid-Pisces MC. It appears that Reagan invariably leap-frogs from one career to a next as Saturn moves toward the 10th sector of his chart (assuming a Cancer Ascendant), in his two tier advance upward. During his youth (mid-1930's) he advanced from sports announcer to the role of a movie actor, as Saturn approached his midheaven, and now 29½ years later, as Saturn again approaches his 10th sector he advances from movie actor, movie making, into politics. Assuming a Capricorn Ascendant it would appear that this new inner introspective, gestation and growth period as Saturn conjuncts his Aquarius Sun in the lower eastern quadrant provides a new impetus to leap forward.

He is elected governor of California in November 1966, with Saturn now at 23° of Pisces, posited in 10th (assuming a Cancer Asc.). He is re-elected as governor on November 4, 1970. Saturn is at 19° of Taurus, conjunct his Moon and the North Node. If Reagan's Ascendant is in Cancer, there is no reason to believe that history should not repeat itself, once Saturn approaches his Ascendant in Cancer. Assuming a Capricorn ASC., Reagan's DES. would be in Cancer.

Following the aftermath of President Nixon's resignation in August 9, 1974, with Saturn at 14° of Cancer, we find Reagan leaving office in January 1975, but faced with bleak prospects, much the same as 29 years earlier in the 1940's when he was having to reconstruct (due to the advent of television) the direction and aim of his professional career and (due to his wife's divorcing him) his personal life. He leaves the office as governor of California at a time when the Republican party has sunk to its lowest point. His fondest dream, of one day becoming President, seems shattered. Most Americans consider the party to be untrustworthy and corrupt. It is a situation which demands that Reagan display a facade of optimism in the future of the GOP.

During the Republican party's convention in Kansas City in August 1976, Reagan finds himself losing out to the then incumbent President Ford. Saturn is in Leo, in Reagan's "unlucky" sector. It is about to oppose his Sun at 16° Aquarius and to form a lower square to his natal Moon in Taurus, one of the nastiest and most depressing of Saturn transits. In its last such passage Reagan lost his first wife, Jane Wyman. Now he loses the Republican nomination for the Presidency. He wants above all else to be President. He is in his mid-sixties, the normal retirement age. Time is of the essence, and it is fast running out. It will be another four years before there is another Republican convention and another chance to try for the Presidential nomination, and he is not regarded as his party's favorite at this time. The eight year tenure as governor (one quarter Saturn cycle) left something to be desired.

In July 1980, Ronald Reagan is nominated as the Republican's choice to run for the Presidency. Saturn has past

the Nadir (15° Virgo) of his chart and is now about to make its ingress into Libra—where it will be by the time he wins the election for the Presidency on November 4, 1980.

This concludes the material in behalf of the Cancer (and Capricorn) Ascendant for Reagan.

Considering that the Cancer Ascendant works remarkably well when applied to various high-lights and set-backs in Reagan's career it might be the correct Ascendant, although it would require the testing of various other pivotal and turning points in his life and career. Sooner or later, through a process of elimination the proper Ascendant would make itself evident—whether Cancer or Capricorn.

There is an aside to this, however. The picture of the Cancer Asc. for Reagan is complicated by the position of Reagan's natal Saturn which is posited at 1° of Taurus. What makes it complicated is that each time transiting Saturn approaches 1° of Leo it forms a lower square to the natal Saturn. This configuration alone has been known to coincide with a down turn in the lives of some subjects.

Another element which complicates the picture is the natal "T" square in Reagan's chart—the Taurus Moon opposing the Scorpio Jupiter and both square the Aquarius Sun. As transiting Saturn approaches the second decan. of Leo it entraps this "T" square, by opposing the Sun and squaring both the Moon and Jupiter. This combination of squares and oppositions is very capable of coinciding with a major "down" period of other dire adversity. Due to this Sun, Moon and Jupiter "T" square it is more than probable that Reagan would have suffered more adversity regardless of where his Ascendant might be. But because most of Reagan's "adversity" seems to stem from others denying him what he wants—i.e., his first wife, Jane Wyman, who divorces him in 1948, and later the Republican delegates who in 1976, deny him the Presidential nomination—is cause to believe he has a Capricorn Ascendant. It is Saturn—others—who are the malfactors in his 7th of open partnerships who are denying him what he feels is his own due.

Thus, whether Reagan has a Cancer or Capricorn Asc., he would have experienced much adversity during each of those times when Saturn transited Leo. In this regard the application of the Grant Lewi theory of "obscurity" really doesn't yield the results one might have hoped for. And as for Reagan's always making a two tier advance in his career, once Saturn conjuncts his Aquarius Sun and moves toward Pisces, this too is explainable. It is explainable by the simple astrological principle that it is a new phase following a period of introspection and gestation which the subject experienced as Saturn transited his Sun, and this regardless of whether his is a Cancer or Capricorn Asc.

One final point. To deny the negative connotations of a Neptunian Mercury (1st-7th House opposition) affliction as delineated in Reagan's chart, with its predilection of the nativity to create his own fantasy world, or version of the truth, and to eulogize such a man's transparent "virtues" is difficult to comprehend or to justify.

At some date it might be appropriate to analyze Reagan's persona from an astrological point of view.

*** CONCLUSION ***



Let's use this to do a quick delineation of Ronald Reagan's chart. The data is from the **American Book of Charts**, by **Lois Rodden**, who classifies it as DD (dirty data). I am using **T. Pat Davis's** speculative Ascendant from the July 1986 **Mercury Hour**. This at least has the advantage that it is consistent with

the President's and his family's statements. I am also using equal houses, on the basis that using a more specific house system is silly with an unrectified chart.

The first observation is that there are no fire signs, so his own connection with the Earth as a whole has no mechanism for exploring new experience. He will simply process whatever experience comes to him from his significant relationships, without very much exploration. Another way of putting it is that he will be vulnerable to prepackaged opinions and beliefs, and will not have much capability of exploring their implications on his own. This is ideal for an actor, who is supposed to present other people's ideas to the public. It is not very good for someone in a policy making position, since they will usually wind up the captive of a political machine or an ideology. In Mr. Reagan's case, notice the complete political turnaround between his first marriage, when he was a political liberal (even radical) and his second, when he is a radical conservative.

He has Moon and Saturn in Taurus, in the equal 6th House. Moon in Taurus would give him an unconscious drive (Moon) toward applying someone's ideas (Taurus) to other people (6th.) The Saturn placement here means that he would have to learn how to do this the hard way. This is an excellent placement for any variety of manager or counselor, although they would have to work quite hard at it before they were successful. This is also a good placement for an actor (especially one doing commercials or training.) It is likewise excellent for a demagogic politician, but has little meaning for a statesman. Mr. Reagan has probably the highest general approval rating of any recent President, but the public is beginning to catch on that his policies are not equally high quality.

Next, he has Pluto retrograde in Gemini in the equal 8th House. Pluto is the transformer, but it can either transform self or others. In this case, with Pluto in the 8th, following the Taurus planets in the 6th, he could either be transforming his own conscience understanding (Gemini) of how to affect people emotionally (8th House), or he could be transforming the public's understanding of how he affects them. Again, an acting career is an excellent forum to learn these lessons. Note also that other people's values (money) is one of the derived meanings of the 8th House, and he has been very active in economic matters, both as a union organizer and as President.

Neptune in Cancer is close enough to the equal 9th House cusp so it could be in the 8th or 9th. Neptune represents idealism, not necessarily grounded in practical reality. Neptune in Cancer in the 9th would indicate very idealistic personal feelings expressed either to other people (8th,) or feelings about how people should relate to each other (in terms of social roles, not as individuals (9th).) I prefer the 9th House interpretation. Reagan, throughout his life, has been attracted to organizational (as opposed to individualistic) ideologies. He studied political science in college, and became enough of a leftist that he was a union organizer in the film industry. Although he has changed to being a "conservative", he still firmly believes that people should be controlled for their own good, that is, that they should fit into social roles.

He has Jupiter rising in Scorpio in the 12th House. Some people would probably put it in the 1st, but I prefer the 12th. Jupiter is the principle of attraction, that is, what is attracted to the person, as opposed to what the person is attracted to, which is Venus. Jupiter in the 12th in Scorpio indicates that he will attract experiences (Jupiter) which allow growth in unconscious emotional rapport with other people (Scorpio) in an organizational setting (12th House). People will have a personal, emotional attraction for him, and will be willing to play relatively self effacing roles in his organization. For an actor, this placement would attract audiences, which surely pleased his studios and the manufacturers of the products for which he did commercials. As a politician, he attracts loyal followers. However, not that this is a personal attraction, not to the Republican party or to the cause of conservatism which he espouses. Politically, he has notoriously short coattails. More than one politician has gone down to defeat trying to get elected as a "Reagan man."

We now come to Mars in Capricorn in the equal 2nd House, with Mercury and Uranus in the equal 3rd. Mars in Capricorn in the 2nd means he will play an active role (Mars) in any organization (Capricorn) he is associated with, and will place his own ideas and values into action (2nd House), regardless of other people or the organization's formal purposes. In other words, he is either going to find an organization that agrees with him, or he will make the organization agree with him. Note that he was instrumental in setting up the Screen Actors Guild (imposing his ideas on the film industry) and is not a docile follower in the Republican party, but has reshaped it to his own ideas of "conservatism."

Mercury and Uranus in the equal 3rd in Capricorn indicate that the role he takes in an organization is an intellectual change agent (Uranus), communicating his own understandings about change. Although he holds a high executive position, he doesn't manage the government at all. He operates by communicating his desires to people he picked to carry them out, and then sits back and watches them do so. He has a reputation of spending less time at the job than any president in living memory. He simply doesn't inform himself of the actual operations of the government unless he has to which explains his miserable performance in press conferences, and his dislike of them.

The next to the last placement is Sun in Aquarius, also in the 3rd House. This indicates a soul urge to analyze the social organization around him, and manifest a personal understanding of it. This placement makes him an unusually effective President, since he works at understanding the political structures he finds himself in.

Finally, we come to Venus in Pisces in the 4th House. This indicates an attraction (Venus) to building unconscious, intuitive feelings (Cancer) in organizations (12th House). He's not interested in what he's doing for self aggrandizement at all. He feels that he is a public servant.

To put it all together: Mr. Reagan's primary learning goal in this lifetime is to learn to understand organizations (Sun in Aquarius). To do this, he has had to focus on his relationships with other people (Saturn in Taurus in the 6th,) and has become very persuasive in his ability to manipulate the people around him on a very basic, instinctive level. He has been very successful at this, both in his career as an actor, and in his career as a politician. Whether he has been good for the organizations he has redirected and reshaped is another question. There is an interesting possibility, still open, that he is playing a role designed to eventually bring the public to its senses about political manipulation. This is the retrograde Pluto placement.

In the above delineation, I have stuck to the absolute basics of Astrology, using a minimum of key words. Still, the delineation clearly describes the President, and nobody else. I have not used aspects, midpoints, planetary pictures, etc., etc., etc., to keep the picture clear. These additional tools would undoubtedly add to the picture of this fascinating person. Without using other tools, we could not look at this chart and say that he would be an actor and a high government official. We would be on firm ground saying that he would not play a follower role in any organization he was associated with, he would impress his own ideas on it, probably from a leadership, although not managerial role.

*** CONCLUSION ***

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Oct. 25, 1986

My compliments on the progressive upgrading of your magazine and the practical information it supplies.



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I've been having a great time re-settling in Australia after my 30 wonderful years in the U.S. It's good to see old friends and make new ones in the astrological world down here. I am hard at work on my murder book, but couldn't resist taking time off to do the following piece.

Bravo **Marc Penfield**! Thanks for presenting the official data on Josef Mengele and for filling us in on the elusive years of his life and death in South America. (Oct. '86 Edition)

While I admire Marc's perspicacity in some of his statements, I must challenge others. Perhaps Mercury was retrograde at the time because Marc is usually more thorough in his Scorpionic investigations. Some of the mid-points don't exist; (Sun=Mer/Jup, and Pluto=Mars/Jup,) while others allow an orb of more than $3\frac{1}{2}^\circ$. But let us not be picky. (I myself, made a mistake once, although the memory of it is dim!)

The enigma that presents itself in the study of mass/serial (m/s) killers lies in accepting the paradox of the divergent traits one finds. Marc has presented some of them in Mengele but left others.

The (m/s) murderer has too long been explained or excused because of too strict/lenient parents, the company or influence of bad companions, the times or environs in which he lives, or society's denial of extending sufficient understanding or the chance to practice his particular talents.

We are all victims of our environment, our families, our relationships, the propaganda of our times. We each however, have a choice in how we use these experiences.

We can agree that Mengele was an inhibited, lonely, brooding, super-sensitive, intelligent man. So were Fritz Smidt, Wilhelm Frick, Albert Speer, Adolph Eichmann and Reinhard Heydrich. Nazi Pisces all, lovers of art, music and undoubtedly, their cats and dogs, but they were also arrogant, self-serving butchers! All fit perfectly the specialized character outline of the m/s murderer.

To suggest that Mengele would not have committed his

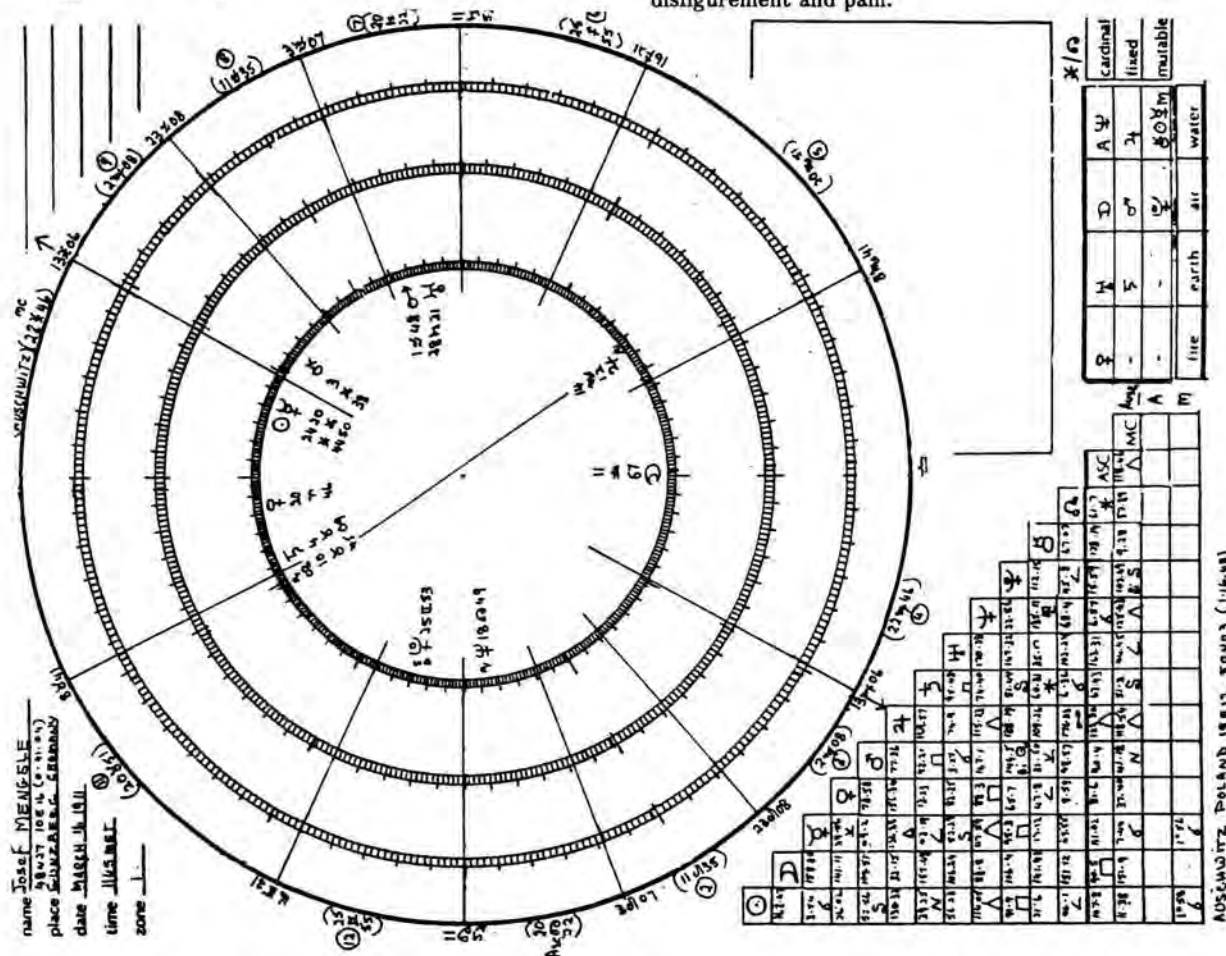
atrocities in Dachau or Treblinka is flying in the face of truth. Mengele's chart for Dachau - MC 14 Pisces 22, ASC 12 Cancer 40, brings the natal grand water trine into closer focus (Jupiter, MC/Merc, ASC/Nep). ASC=Ura/Plu, Merc/Sat, Jup/MC. Dachau MC= Mars/Ura, Sat/Ura, and Plu/Chiron suggesting he would have created an unusual and highly-powered niche for himself at this locale as well as finding plentiful opportunity to practice his warped medicine.

At Treblinka the picture is more horrendous; MC 25 Pisces 52 conjunct Sun, sq. Pluto, septile Mars, and MC= Nep/Chiron. ASC 24 Cancer 47 opp. Uranus, trine Sun/Merc and ASC = Mars/Nep, and Ura/Nep. There would have been even more bizarre power in this locale.

But Mengele did not have to travel from his birthplace to achieve his foul success. His natal chart fits the pattern and stands by itself.

Marc states that ASC=Ura/Plu means that Mengele's environment was beyond his capacity to control or comprehend. This mid-point also means the fanatic application of immense force. With MC/Aries = Merc and Ura/Node=Merc Mengele had a quick grasp, astute comprehension and speedy assessment of every situation (Merc=Jup/Ura). With Mars=Merc/MC there is a clear understanding of how to achieve career goals.

To intimate that Mengele was deceived by Nazi Propaganda or fell victim to seduction is lacking full interpretation of Merc/Jup=Nep, and Nep=Jup/Plu, and forgetting Nep=Sun/Jup, Mars/Jup and Pluto/Node, one who finds success in deception, is fluent in using a powerful imagination to mislead others, and who will go to any lengths to manipulate others to his advantage (Plu=Sat/Node and Sun sq. Pluto). Some of these combinations are found in the charts of epic-film makers, (ability to create illusions that sway the masses.) Mengele was, as are other m/s killers, the consummate liar and fraud. He could give a child a candy on one day and, on the next, subject that same child to gross disfigurement and pain.



Typical of the m/s murderer Mengele had frequent mood changes. Emotions vacillated between maudlin sentimentality that could weep over good music, poetry and fluffy kittens, (Mercurine Nep and Jup) to icy apathy when it came to people (Saturn rules 7th, is sq Mars and widely, Uranus and septile Pluto).

Certainly Nep=Mer/Sat is expressed in emotional inhibition, bouts of depression and longing to get away to dream-time, but we find this same combination in the charts of poets and artists who exorcise concrete creativity from their depth of insight into the world of despair. The same is true in the charts of those who simply feel sorry for themselves or who create despair in the lives of others.

Mengele had a great deal of conflict and confusion about the sexual identity, traits common in the m/s murderer. The pronounced, strong, passionate sexuality of MC=Ven/Mars, Mars=Ven/Jup and Venus/Node, plus the intense but temporary sexual impulse of Mars conj. Uranus, and Ura=Ven/Sat. The inhibited desires and dis-satisfaction of MC=Ven/Sat together with a Libran Moon and seven water elements speak of a sexual passivity.

Marc has admirably discussed the other traits in this chart, but I would debate some of his conclusions.

It's true that many Nazis had strong Pluto placement. Like them and Mengele, as well as the m/s murderer, there is also a strong Jupiter. The Gauquelin's study of 508 Nazis astonished them when they found a very high percentage with prominent Jupiter. But what else would describe the incredible arrogance, salesmanship and success of Nazi philosophy?

Jupiter and Pluto taken together would indicate that rather than being Hitler's pawns, the Nazis were his most eager partners in the death-dealing across Europe. Other prominent Germans heroically chose to be wall-flowers.

Surely the prize for the most despicable of Nazis must go to those monsters who violated their sacred Hippocratic oath to alleviate pain and to honour human life. When the death trains arrived at their camps the doctors did a lot more than selecting who would be gassed immediately and who would be saved. Although that act alone is enough to damn them. Those 'saved' soon had cause to question their 'luck'.

Mengele's progressions at the time of his arrival at Auschwitz indicate that although he got sick and had a bike accident, he welcomed the opportunity to flex his power over weak, sick people. They show that he received recognition and position in the eyes of the Reich, and quickly seized the chance to realize his ambitions.

Many historians state that the Nazi doctors became "dedicated" to so-called research when Berlin began sending all available men to bolster the crumbling Russian front (winter '42-'43). The doctors had to invent "important scientific work" to justify their safe positions in the camps. Their torturous tests on live, human subjects, without benefit of medication or anesthetics, beggars Dante's Inferno.

In the final analysis, the prince of monsters was Mengele. His "work" at Auschwitz was inflicted mainly on children. Hundreds of twin children were sent to him from all over enslaved Europe to serve as his guinea pigs. They were maimed, crippled or driven insane in his 'experiments'. One bizarre surgery called for perfectly healthy children to be cloned into Siamese twins. The agony of his victims was of little concern unless restraints were needed to prevent their suicide.

To suggest that 'his work really did contribute to humanity's understanding of evolution' is an indictment of the medical profession at large, and sadly belittles the memory of those who suffered in the hands of this piranha of innocents. No one who has read the accounts of his 'work' could say that 'Mengele possibly shared the suffering' of his victims. His only participation in their agony was in his role as prime creator of it.

History IS repeating itself today and, like the Nazis, we are faced with choices. The victims are dying of unnecessary famine, religious, or racial war. Our governments build and trade in weapons of destruction. The C.I.A. distributes instruction pamphlets on 'interrogation' techniques. We are

removed from the stench of death and the cries of the victims, but our hands are not clean. As long as we support such leadership, and look down our white, western noses at Blacks, Chicanos, or peoples of the Third World nations, we are propagating the Nazi creed.

The enemy is not Khomeini, Qadhafi, or even Jerry Falwell. The enemy is prejudice and apathy, and the enemy is within. That foe is the hardest of all to conquer.

Thanks Marc! Once again you are the catalyst in urging us to debate an important subject. You are a pearl!

MAKA INGLE, Coldfoot, AK **November 24, 1986**

Here I am again, ready or not, corrupt as ever. I would kinda like to start where I left off in the last issue, still pursuing the gap that links assorted religions to Astrology. I have quite a desk load of reference books in front of me right now, and I'm prepared to spend some time, day or night, (it's all the same right now up here in the Arctic) flying through whatever it takes to see me through - so here goes.

In Paul Christian's book of 'Magic', Chapter V, it says 'The word Magic is derived from the Chaldean word Maghdim, which means wisdom with the addition of the general sense that we give to the term philosophy. Magi, or the adepts of Magic - we may even call them the priests of the wisdom of antiquity - were philosophers dedicated to the study of the universe, that sphere whose centre, they said is everywhere, whose circumference has no bounds, and at the heart of which are united without being confounded - or are separate without being lost from sight - the physical, the intellectual and the divine worlds: the triple face of all knowledge, the triple base of all analysis, the triple stem of all synthesis'.

By no means am I a qualified teacher of theology, nor for that matter am I even a qualified student, however, I do study extremely intense on occasion, both occult and theological subjects, and would care to share my research with those of you who are as interested, as myself, in source material.

Finding in my reference books that Moses was the author of the first five books of the Bible, it was easy for me to visualize a variety of causes to the multitude of misconceptions people have when it comes to understanding and interpreting any particular organized religion.

Whether or not Moses was truly of Jewish heritage, in my estimation, is of no particular value, since he was reared, from beginning memory as a child, in the Egyptian priesthood. He studied and preserved the Egyptian records, to the story of the beginning of creation, and wrote them for the salvaged peoples, he led to freedom, to create a community for themselves and a law from them to abide by. He did what he felt inspired by God to do, as have many men/women throughout the history of our world.

Had not, basically, all the great books in Egypt been destroyed by radicals during the destruction of Alexandria, 7th Century A.D., which at that time was well known to all scholars in Europe, Africa and the Orient, as the "Mother of Books," burned to the ground by the Arabs, (it has been written they used the books to build fires to keep warm by), we may have not been so forelorn in the search for roots and source material to the Egyptians' religion - what we call Astrology. Fortunately copyists preserved, perhaps not enough writings of the most illustrious thinkers, and to these obscure clerks we owe the precious traditions that are links in the great philosophic chain. Egypt gave the world, in her renowned schools at Alexandria, the most fruitful and extensive university ever known to the human mind, and fortunately for us, several of the papers saved are for growth and enlightenment in religious and occult circles, such as ourselves.

This brings me around to tie in of my last letter (lastish.) of the MH. Keep in mind at all times that Moses is/was the **human** factor in creating the seeds for Judaism, Islamic philosophy and Christianity. But **before** Moses, and the base teachings of his philosophy, there was another 'God' inspired man who had one heck of a vision that has outlasted all visions, or maybe I should say overflowed upon, and gave birth to, other 'God' inspired visions, thoughts, and philosophies. That man was known to the

Egyptians as their law-giver. They knew him as Hermes-Thoth. And now, going to one of my books for a more precise research, I would like to tell you about that man.

The temples of the Magi had on their roofs observatories consecrated to astronomical studies. (Egyptians were not systematic sky-students like the Babylonians, but rather star observers who believed in their influence upon people and events.) These Magi when studying the skies must have built up for themselves a triditional theogony. It originated from their lawgiver Hermes-Thoth. The books written by this Hermes were very numerous, and each one was devoted to a science or an art. They were destroyed in the Egyptian revolutions except for a few fragments of two treatises, one of which is called *Pymander* (divine thought), and other *Asclepios*, from the name of a disciple for whom he had written it. However deplorable we may find the loss of such precious original documents, the little that has survived suffices to **prove** that the most ancient civilization in Egypt was founded on lofty spiritual heights.

The *Pymander* considers God to be omnipotence balanced by eternally active intelligence and by absolute wisdom. The *Asclepios* has as its object God in His relationships with the universe and with man.

"None of our thoughts," says Hermes-Thoth to his disciple, could apprehend the nature of God, nor any language define it. What is incorporeal, invisible, without form, cannot be grasped by our senses; what is eternal cannot be measured by the short rule of time: God is therefore ineffable. He is the absolute truth, the absolute power; and the unchangeable absolute cannot be comprehended on this earth.

God can, it is true, communicate to a few of the elect the faculty of raising themselves above natural things in order to perceive some of the radiance of his supreme perfection; but these elect are **unable** to find words to translate into ordinary speech the immaterial vision that has made them tremble with delight. They may be able to explain to humanity the secondary causes of the creations that pass before our eyes like the images of universal life: but the first cause remains shrouded in mystery, and we shall only begin to understand it when we have passed through death.

This death is for many men a dreadful phantom; and yet it is no more than our deliverance from the bonds of matter. The body is merely a garment of the inferiority that prevents us from rising in the worlds of progress; it is a chrysalis that opens when we are ripe for a larger and higher life. Look at the flower that charms our eyes and makes us drowse with its perfumes: it was born from a seed fallen in the earth. Even so when our body returns to this earth from which it was taken, the spirit that it held captive is breathed out like a perfume into the heavens; for the spirit was contained in the body, just as the perfume was in the seed.

In the *Pymander*, Hermes is represented beneath the veils of solitude and night, suffering the agonies of a troubled slumber. He seems to feel his soul wandering in an endless circle, and that his thought is unable to rise in prayer towards the author of all things. At the height of this moral anguish, he suddenly sees glimmering and becoming brighter in the darkness a figure that, as it grows more and more radiant, takes on the proportions of a colossal and perfectly beautiful man. This apparition looks at him with great kindness: "Thou sufferest, O son of earth," it says to him, "And I come to give thee strength, for thou lovest justice and thou seekest after truth. I am *Pymander*, the thought of the All-Powerful: make a wish, and it shall be granted thee."

"Lord", replies Hermes-Thoth, "give me a ray of thy divine knowledge."

"Thou hast chosen well," says *Pymander* "Mayst thy wish be granted."

Immediately Hermes, rapt in ecstasy, is surrounded by a spectacle that no human tongue could describe. All forms, all the beauties that might be dreamed by an ardent imagination, appear around him in a sphere of light that completely surrounds him, whose revolutions, from west to east, produce accompanied by the harmonies of the most enchanting music

ever heard, a succession of changing pictures, each more marvelous and more splendid than the last.

While Hermes is giving himself up to the charms of this contemplation, the light dies slowly, the visions fade away gradually into chaotic darkness, and this darkness, becoming more and more intense, with deeper and deeper shadows, fills him with an ungovernable terror. And out of this shadow comes a discordant noise, like bursts of thunder, and a voice, louder and deeper than thunder, crashes through this fantastic tempest. Here we must translate Hermes, recording as faithfully as possible the test of the Sacred *Pymander*:

"It seemed to me," he says, "that this great voice was the voice of the vanished light, and from it came the Word of God. This word seemed to be borne on a current of celestial water whose coolness I could feel, and from it rose a clear, pure flame that dissolved into the air."

"This air, subtle as the spirit itself, floats between the water and the fire, and in the waves of this current of air our earth was held in equilibrium, like a mass of some unshaped substance that awaits the creator's hand."

"And God's Word shook this world; and the more it shook the greater the bright light shone again, and the innumerable manifestations of the wondrous form appeared again, one after the other."

"And it seemed to me that I could see all these things in the mirror of my thoughts. And then the divine voice of *Pymander* was heard again, speaking kindly and softly: "Thought is God the father; The Word is his son; they are indissolubly united in eternity, and their union of life."

"Thought and the Word create the acts of the All-Powerful." "From the All-Powerful come seven spirits who move in seven circles; and in these circles are all the beings that compose the universe, and the action of the seven spirits in their circles is called Fate, and these circles themselves are enclosed in the divine thought that permeates them eternally."

"God has committed to the seven spirits the governing of the elements and the creation of their combined products. But he created man in His own image, and, pleased with this image, has given him power over terrestrial nature."

"Now man, having seen his father in the figure of the supreme Creator, at one time conceived the ambition of making himself equal to his omnipotence, and desired to penetrate the circles whose government had not been given him. Troubling in this way the divine harmony, he made himself guilty, and his punishment was to become the slave of his body. Though he is immortal in his soul, which is the image of God, he made himself mortal by a love of changing and perishable things."

"But he was given liberty to raise himself again, as far as he could, to his original heights by cutting himself off from the servitude of the body and reconquering his immortality."

"God desires therefore that every man should learn to know himself for what he is, and to distinguish his superior and invisible being from the visible form, which is only the shell. When he has recognized the duality of his creation, he no longer allows himself to be seduced by the charm of impermanent things; his thought has no other aim but to seek and pursue, across the infinite the absolute beauty whose contemplation is the sovereign good promised to his rehabilitated mind."

"The man who triumphs over sensual temptation increases his mental faculties; God gives him a measure of light in proportion to his merits, and progressively, allows him to penetrate the most profound mysteries of nature."

"That man, on the contrary, who succumbs to the temptations of the flesh falls gradually under the power of the fatal laws that govern the elements, and condemns himself to perpetual ignorance, which is the death of the spirit."

"Happy is the son of earth who has kept pure the image of God and has not defaced it or darkened it with the veil of ignoble concupiscence. When the hour comes for him to leave this world, his body is indeed given up to the realm of matter; but his spirit, freed from the shell that time has worn away, rises into the seven concentric circles that envelop the terrestrial system."

"In the circle of the Moon, he recognizes his immortality; in

Mercury, he feels his insensibility; in Venus, he clothes himself in innocence; in the Sun, he is given the strength to bear without difficulties the rays of the divine splendour, in Mars, he learns humility; in Jupiter, he takes possession of the treasures of an intelligence made divine, and in Saturn, he sees the truth of all things in its unchangeable beauty."

"Beyond the circles lie the infinity of worlds, that goes with him in his pilgrimage from heaven to heaven towards the supreme God whom he approaches ceaselessly, an eternal asymptote, without ever attaining him."

These were the words of Pyramander, and the divine vision then was swallowed up again in its eternal sanctuary. But it had illuminated the soul of Hermes-Thoth and had made him, in a way, a messiah whose task it was to preach to man of the great mystery of the soul's vocation.

Let us note at once in this fragment of the Pyramander the concept of a single, invisible, ineffable, omnipotent, infinite, God, and seven spirits, messengers of His will and agents of His providence: this is the foundation of all Astrology, that is to say, the highest of all the occult sciences.

Here we find, then, the existence of superior spirits, intermediaries between God and man, affirmed as a dogma three thousand years before the birth of Christ; and dogmas cannot be argued with. In any case, if we were to refute this one we should be opposing ourselves to Christian theology itself, which has given its sanction to angelic intervention in all the great scenes in the Bible, the Gospel, the Acts of the Apostles and the Apocalypse. From the cherubim with the sword of flame who guard the threshold of the lost paradise, to the angels with the seven trumpets and seven cups who were seen by the prophet of Patmos in his vision of the end of the world, the angelic universe is continuously mingled with the religious history of mankind. The Magi believed in this mission of the angels and they studied its character and extent in the examination of the stars. This study was their supreme wisdom; it was under the name of Astrology, the gate to the supernatural world, and under the name horoscope was the key to the mysteries of the future. The Zodiac was the book in which they claimed to read the plans of the divine wisdom and the signs foretelling the course of fate.

In my next letter I plan to take you through a mind-boggling journey into the heart of the Sphinx to join the Magi and the initiates.

DEFIANCE GREGG, Anchorage, AK November 12, 1986
CHRISTMAS AT 63

When confronted by an oncoming Christmas and a 63rd birthday, it makes one feel in the position of looking at life and love an entirely new point of view.

Numerologically a 63 equals a 9 and there is a Plutonian feeling of completion and yet a new beginning awaiting next year.

I know the greatest love is parent for child. Mary, Joseph and Jesus brings forth one of our most beloved Christmas celebrations yearly. They give us the seeds of universal love.

However, it is only with the destruction of family love that a new family can be created. This Plutonian cause and effect causes the children we love and adore suddenly become the attraction of another person from another family unit. Lucky are the two happy families who can combine. In this modern day in many cases unhappy people from broken or unhappy families are attracted in an opposite type of love. They desire the love they see in the unsuspecting family unit who wants happiness above all for their beloved. What is actually happening is a breaking up and breaking away process set up by the powers of the individual who was attracted by the very thing they now must destroy in order to possess a family unit of their own.

For many it will only be when a grandchild is created that a tie to the past is accepted but for most no tie will ever come about again. Miles will separate lives and years will go by quickly.

A surviving person who uses photo albums and rare visits from children finds that love is both a blessing and a curse.

There is for a rare few another chance for a second

marriage where adult children will approve. For most adult children don't want to incorporate a third group of unknowns other than the marriage of children for the first time. Recently, an elderly gentleman who had been in his lonely room with infrequent visits by his married son fell into a diabetic coma. He had no other choice open to him other than a rest home where a woman in a wheelchair took an interest. The only thing that held up a marriage was the approval of adult children who visited on an obligation chore. They married without it. Now they will find their squares of social and financial adjustments.

Love and life is exactly like the Astrological Dial we measure the influences with. It's like a merry-go-round of the stars where we can all reach for our brass ring. We'll all find barriers in the way put there by people who have no idea of what's happening out there in the universe.

Now that Pluto is in Scorpio, he's come home and we can predict we will be more serious about all things that influence family life. Already, at just 7° we find homosexuality and AIDS being questioned in the Vatican. We have confused kids with too many parents and too many homes and too many people of other family units living in so that they meet with neglect and abuse.

Surely at 9° this Christmas, the same as my age equals numerologically this Christmas, Pluto has come home to straighten out the folks at home. In the nick of time he's home to safeguard us from ourselves.

Let's hope before he's done we'll have the old fashioned home back where Grandad and Grandmom are as welcome as Uncle Tom and Aunt Maggie along with the little tots who know what a family really is at Christmas.

That's a Scorpio's wish for Christmas. As a seventh child having a birthday with her ruling planet at 7° on her birthday, surely 12-25-1986-7 so that a wish can come true. I'll look for a 7 and a 9 or both to bring me luck.

JEANETTE NAVIA, Williamsburg, VA December 25, 1986

I was very glad to see an article on the solar system in the January 1987 issue. My fascination with Astrology has led me to a fascination with the (unfortunately separate) study of Astronomy. However, I did notice that a few corrections could be made to Wendy Hawks' article. First, the Moon does rotate. If it didn't turn at all, we would see all sides of it as it revolved around the Earth. Its rotation is synchronous to its revolution, as noted in 1680 by G.D. Cassini, both the rotation and the revolution being approximately 27 days. So while it's travelling around us, it's also turning slowly and thus always keeping its same side to us.

Also in the section of the Moon when speaking of eclipses, Ms. Hawks seems to say that solar eclipses are the same as lunar eclipses. Solar eclipses occur when the Moon travels between the Earth and the Sun (new Moon/conjunction) and the shadow of the Moon hits the earth; lunar eclipses occur when the Earth is between the Sun and the Moon, (full Moon/opposition) and the Moon is in the Earth's shadow - the Sun's rays bend around the Earth's atmosphere and turn the Moon a copper red color. A few reasons eclipses don't occur very often are the Moon has to lay in the same plane as the Earth's orbit around the Sun (the Moon's orbit differs at an angle of 5° from the Earth's orbit), the Moon has to be at a node, and the node has to be facing the Sun (the latter only occurs during spring and fall). Also, eclipses can occur on other planets. The Viking I orbiter took a series of pictures showing a Martian solar eclipse involving the satellite Phobos.

Since I've only studied the Earth and the Moon so far in the correspondence Astronomy course I'm taking, those are the only comments I can offer. I must say, too, that I was surprised that 'The AFA did not seem to feel (Ms. Hawks' speech) would be suitable material for an Astrology convention.' I think it's sad that so many astrologers are unfamiliar with the actual planets and events they chart. I've been having a fascinating few weeks watching the Christmastime 1986 conjunction and separation of Jupiter and Mars. To me, the heavens are quite beautiful and exciting.

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November 15, 1986

Yesterday I received the November 1986 AFA Bulletin, Volume 48, Number 11, and on page 350 there is a new column called "BASIC HOROSCOPE INTERPRETATION" co-authored by Eugene Moore and Dorothy Maass. This should, by all rights, be a great and welcome addition, since the bulletin is subscribed to by many present and future Astrology teachers who can all use an occasional refresher course.

But to my total dismay, what I read was the kind of material we, the world astrological community, have been fighting to overcome in the last 25 years. It reeks of dire pre-set conditions, and in a dangerously simplistic fashion, puts certain people into three categories. Without even doing any research, I, or anyone else, can contradict this type of pigeon-holing--but how dangerous it is to the novice astrologer, naively believing what they read!

Pigeon-hole #1: Horoscopes with **no planets** in air signs (I won't even go into the ones with one planet in air, since they are a dime a dozen.) Moore and Maass state that the "Interpretation is simple...there is a great problem with communication, especially in the early years. The native tends to lack the intellect needed for higher education. In fact, he may miss the main facts essential to the ordinary learning process." May I ask what is wrong with such people as Upton Sinclair, Andre Gide, Guy de Maupassant, Edmond Rostand, a few of the great communicators via the written word with **zero planets** in air: or Marlon Brando, Dustin Hoffman, Jack Nicholson, Robert Redford and Rock Hudson, to mention some of the great communicators of the silver screen; or Ottorino Respighi who said it through music, Vincent Van Gogh through art, Edgar Cayce in his "sleep" and Jim Jones, all most persuasive communicators, not to forget Merv Griffin, who built his fortune on his ability to communicate. None of these people lacked intellect or had learning impediments.

Pigeon-hole #2: "Two, three or four planets in the air signs means the interpretation is based on the positive keywords." Really? What if Mars is conjunct Saturn in Aquarius, both square the Sun in Scorpio and opposite Uranus in Taurus? They are still adaptable, cooperative, peaceable, tolerant, mediators etc.? Aspects or house positions mean nothing? All we need to know is that they have more than one and less than five planets in the air element to determine the use of the positive keywords?

Pigeon-hole #3: "More than four planets in air signs indicates interpretation is based on the negative keywords. The native constantly vacillates, talks incessantly...Emotions are superficial...natural instability usually leads to marital problems...after age 40 worst effects..." It got so dire I expected to read that all these people would get Alzheimer disease! Here are just a few name of people with five or more planets in air, culled while quickly glancing through two chart books: Swami Vivekananda, Henry Kissinger, Jack Benny, Arthur Schlesinger Jr., Gabriele d'Annunzio, Ralph Bellamy, Faith Baldwin, Jean Claude Killy, George Gershwin, Farrah Fawcett. Do they really sound superficial, vacillating, unable to keep a marriage, in trouble after age 40??

Let's not mislead our new eager-beaver students, let's separate fact from potential. There are no absolutes in Astrology, and I fervently hope that the AFA will be more careful as to what is printed in its bulletin in the future.

copy to: Bob Cooper, Doris C. Doane, Eugene Moore, Dorothy Maass, Mercury Hour.

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November 17, 1986

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Dear Bob:

I am writing you to protest the contents of the article on page 351 of the Bulletin, Volume 48, Number 11. The two authors are both well known in the astrological community, and surely are capable of better Astrology!

The apparent attempt of this article is to teach basic

horoscope interpretation. But students of Astrology deserve better than this. The article implies that there are ONLY three possible interpretations for planets in air signs, and then goes on to base the interpretations simply upon the number of planets in air signs.

Does this by extension hold true for the other elements as well? Can it be said of the individual lacking earth planets that the native lacks the positive qualities of the earth signs (i.e.: financial stability)? Can it be said that the interpretation for the individual who has five or more planets in fire signs should be based on the negative keywords for the fire signs?

This kind of interpretation is trite and archaic! Let's try some responsible astrological journalism!

DOROTHY B. MAASS, Portland, OR November 30, 1986

A review by Marion March of one of a series of four columns on the basic interpretation of the four elements, which appeared in the November AFA Bulletin, presents a distorted picture of material which is taken out of context. Had March been so kind as to have waited for the final column, in December, she would have learned that planetary aspects and placements were brought out, as conditioning factors for imbalances in elements. Since space permits only two pages in the Bulletin, in each issue, the first three columns touched only basic interpretation, with the final column advising of the conditioning factors.

If we are to critique the writings of astrologers by using piecemeal methods, as a basis for criticism, then we would have to do the same for March. In her first volume of the books she co-authored, "The Only Way to Learn Astrology" we can find the same general presentation method for the influence of elements, by house position.

On page 37 of that volume, we find as follows: "Fire Type: people with many planets in these houses are inspirational and more forward-looking. They have greater energy and enthusiasm, motivating power, and religious convictions." "Earth Type: People with many planets in these houses are more stable and the 'backbone of the community and family.' They have a more concrete, practical, and/or material outlook and vocational aptitude." "Air Type: People with many planets in these houses are the 'people who need people'. These placements describe the person in relation to the community." "Water Type: People with many planets in these houses are the sensitive and feeling souls - the psychoanalysts. These houses describe the innermost soul, and the probable way that we will leave this earth. Not WHEN: just HOW."

One of March's criticisms of the AFA column was that only three classifications were given--she gives only one. Now, let us apply her own words to critique her own positive-only interpretations. March quotes from the AFA column: "Two, three or four planets in air signs means the interpretation is based on the positive keywords." Then, she comments: "Really? What if Mars is conjunct Saturn in Aquarius, both square the Sun in Scorpio and opposite Uranus in Taurus? They are still adaptable, cooperative, peaceable, tolerant, mediators, etc.? Aspects or house positions mean nothing? All we need to know is that they have more than one and less than five planets in the air element to determine the use of the positive keywords?"

Where are the additional classifications and the planetary aspects in March's writing, in this page 37 excerpt? Only positive traits are brought out, there are apparently no negatives. March accuses others of exactly what she has done herself and ringingly denounces them for it. Obviously, she must tar herself with her own brush.

We need only look to the chart of Adolf Hitler to see how an earth element overload changed the world. We live surrounded by terror and lawlessness, we have square pegs in round holes. One of the methods to detect which people are likely to be these types is by assessing the effect of lacks or overloads in the elements in their birthcharts.

People who critique the works of others need, above all, to be impartial and certain that they, themselves, are above reproach. Astrology need on-going cooperation so that together we can find ways to avert tragedies and terror and to find

leaders who can unify nations and overcome the horror which is too often in the headlines.

Copies to: Bob Cooper, Doris C. Doane, Marion March, Mercury Hour, Aquarius Workshops, Inc.

MARION D. MARCH, Encino, CA **December 7, 1986**
Dear Dorothy,

Thanks for your letter of November 30th which just reached me yesterday. Guess we're in the midst of the Christmas rush! I am so glad you sat down and wrote, since I much prefer each person airing their true feelings instead of "silent suffering" or saying stuff behind someones back.

Before I go into any details regarding your answers, let me straighten out two points. 1) I would never publish my criticism or personal view on something in ASPECTS, a magazine of which I am editor. I would consider that very unfair advantage. I have expressed my opinion and sent copies of that letter to the people I felt should be made aware, (as mentioned at the bottom of my letter) and to **Mercury Hour** where I knew you or Eugene or anyone else can and will get their letters published.

2 I consider Saturn on my Moon and nearing my Ascendant the perfect time to look and in a disciplined way evaluate my feelings. Saturn, in my opinion, helps me be responsible. As to Mercury retrograde, I function particularly well when that happens, since my natal Mercury was retrograde at birth for two plus hours. You may find Mars conjunct the Sun too much of a good thing, but Dorothy, my natal Mars is involved in a grand fire trine and while conjunct the Sun it activates an exact trine to my Saturn. I am always impetuous and spurt out with my opinions, good, bad or indifferent. I am not the paragon of diplomacy, but I am honest and I mean well, and I do deeply care for Astrology.

Now to some of your comments. Yes, when we teach beginning Astrology, we start with simplistic facts, and in "The Only Way To...Learn Astrology" Volumes I and II are full keywords and keyphrases, some of them onesided, some of them complex--but we have written a book, and long before we get to page 40 (the quotes are from page 40 not 37) we make a lot of clarifying statements, and I mean a lot of them. I will not quote everyone of the, but to illustrate:

Page 5: "Always remember that your FREE WILL and your attitude will determine how much or how little use you make of the talents and potentials you were born with, the choice is yours." **Page 10:** "All functions and energies in nature follow the positive/negative principle. Astrology is no exception." **Page 33:** The houses relate to conditions, while the signs tell us about character traits. If you were to compare Astrology to acting, you would say: "The planets are the actors, the signs are the roles they play, and the houses are the setting or situations in which the cast portrays its roles. Mercury is always Mercury, but in Gemini it portrays a different role than in Libra: when Mercury is in the 3rd House the setting is different from the 6th House."

The book continues again and again with such qualifying statements as: "Once you understand why the house position of a planet modifies the nature of the sign in which the planet is placed, you will also understand why a planet operates differently depending on the type of house its in. For example, a person with the Sun in Taurus (a fixed sign), placed in a cadent house will be more adaptable and less obstinate than a person whose Sun in Taurus falls in a succedent house..." The same constant weighing of the interpretation goes on when discussing aspects etc. etc.

Now obviously this much explanation cannot be given in a short little two page article. But a qualifying statement belonged at the beginning of the series, and should be reiterated at the top of each subsequent article which, after all, could go on for years on a monthly basis. Something about the fact that keywords must be given in order to learn a new symbolic language, but that these words or phrases are for learning purposes, and that every human being will use the energies manifested in different ways, that aspects and house positions make a tremendous difference in the final interpretation, that the free will reigns supreme etc. etc.

Beginning students are very gullible, they scare easily and at first rather see the dark and dire side. Therefore, it is doubly important to show them a lot of positive usages of Astrology, and to make them aware that their fate is in their own hands.

I hope this helps to explain my attitude toward teaching, and I hope you and Eugene can insert a few generally explanatory statements at the top of future segments. Thanks for listening.

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LUNAR NOTES

By WENDY HAWKS

Chicago, Illinois
December 10, 1986

JEWELL: The January 1987 issue of **Mercury Hour** looks great! Lots of really good articles and interesting ideas. I think my comments on our Marvelous Solar System (page 47) looks pretty good in print, too.

Since writing that article, I've been doing further research on the Moon. I'm now sending you another article entitled "Lunar Notes", which is sort of a footnote to "Comments". I've added a lot of new stuff, and tried not to repeat what I said about the Moon before. I think our Moon is a very interesting heavenly body indeed. Hope the readers will enjoy.

I just sent the gang a Christmas card, but would like to again wish you and yours the best holiday season ever, and good fortune in 1987. And, **Edith** should be proud of you, for you are doing such a wonderful job with **MH**.

We've all encountered skeptics who badger us with remarks like: "Surely you don't actually believe in that star stuff. The planets are millions of miles away, so they couldn't possibly have an effect on humanity!" Such words can sometimes have a devastating effect on the Astrology student. So, it's useful to have a realistic and intelligent comeback to such challenges. The first thing that springs to my mind is the Moon. Were I to give a simple explanation of Astrology to a "non-believer", it would run something like this:

"There is not question the Moon has a powerful influence on the Earth. It effects the tides, and it would have been impossible for life on LAND to evolve without lunar tides. Police records indicate that crime increases at full Moon, at which time people get more crazy and emotional than usual, our seven day week and four week month were invented as a result of the ancients observing the Moon's cycle. Eclipses (particularly when coupled with a planetary lineup) can cause earthquakes, massive tidal waves, volcanic eruptions and even a polar shift. So please don't tell me Astrology is mere hocus pocus, because it's a proven fact that the Moon influences our thinking processes and philosophy, our culture, our emotional life, and our physical well-being. And, if the Moon effects our lives, then why shouldn't the Sun and planets do likewise? (Needless to say, this invariably silences detractors!)"

To 20TH century astrologers, the Moon represents the basics: she's our emotions, our roots, our survival instincts, our mother, home, family and food. The ancients thought the Moon went through a cycle of birth, life, death and rebirth each month. Between the balsamic and new phase, they believed the Moon died and was reborn from the Sun. (Moon is feminine, Sun is masculine, and I believe this "rebirth" process is described in Genesis wherein it is written that God created Eve (Moon) from Adam's (Sun's) rib.)

About 7.38 days after New Moon, the Moon squares the Sun (1st quarter), 7.38 days later she opposes Sun (Full Moon), and yet 7.38 days later she again squares Sun (3rd quarter). In ancient times, each of the four phases was a celebrated as a holiday, and, in fact, the ancient Babylonians had a Full Moon festival which they called "sappatu". A form of this word

eventually entered the Hebrew language and has come down to us as "Sabbath" meaning "day of rest". As can be imagined, celebrating the Full Moon at 28-day intervals eventually made matters such that sabbatu and Full Moon were no longer synchronized, but no matter. The moral of the story is that, thanks to the changing Moon, we've inherited our modern weeks, months and lazy Sunday afternoons.

The Moon's shadow is less than 100 miles wide when it strikes the Earth, and only along this narrow path is a total solar eclipse seen. As you probably know, a solar eclipse can take place **only** at New Moon. The inhabitants of a particular area of Earth get to see a total solar eclipse only once in about 360 years. On the other hand, a lunar eclipse can be viewed by all the inhabitants on the nighttime side of Earth. **It is generally thought the effects of a lunar eclipse lasts for about a month, while a solar eclipse will have an influence on your life for a whole year.]**

Many people are under the impression that the ancient Greeks were the first to learn how to predict eclipses. Not so! The Chinese learned the technique some 2,000 years before the Greeks did.

Ours is the only planet in the solar system where eclipses occur, due to the large size of our Moon. A total solar eclipse occurs because the Sun is about 400 times the diameter of the Moon, but 400 times further away from Earth than the Moon. Thus, the luminaries appear to be exactly the same size. The Moon is gradually moving away from Earth, so that in about 50 million years this phenomena will cease to occur. I suppose astrologers will then no longer be able to make predictions on the bases of an eclipse. Anyway, I expect our beloved Astrology will have evolved so much by then that we'll be using entirely different methods for chart interpretation.

How was our Moon instrumental in assisting the evolution of life on land? Eons ago the Moon was much nearer to Earth than she is today, and it is therefore reasonable to suppose that her influence on tides was a great deal stronger than it is at present. Tidal waves were probably frequent in those far-off times, to say nothing of higher tides in general. Many sea creatures (and fresh water ones, too) were constantly being washed ashore, and in time some of them learned how to survive on land.

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How did the Moon get there? There are several theories. [1] The Moon was born alongside Earth from the cosmic soup hanging around after the Big Bang. [2] Moon was mothered by Earth, having been ripped out of the Pacific basin. (An unlikely theory for astrologers, who know the Moon as "mother"). [3] The Moon was once a sort of asteroid which was captured by the Earth's gravity. To my mind, the most likely theory is the "capture" one, since NASA has discovered that some Moon rocks are millions of years older than any to be found on Earth.

Speaking of NASA, many people are beginning to think this organization knows more about the Moon than they are letting on. And, of course, astrologers know how mysterious the Moon is, and how much of herself that she keeps hidden. If you've ever read "Somebody Else Is on the Moon" by George Leonard, you know that life-although not life as we know it-probably exists on the Moon. Interestingly, there are many photographs in Leonard's book which appear to substantiate his astonishing claims.

For my "parting Moon shot", I'd like to quote scientists and science fiction writer, Isaac Asimov. The following is taken from his book "The Tragedy of the Moon".

"There is good reason to believe man was first jolted into calculation and generalization by the need to keep track of the Moon; that from the Moon came calendars; from them, mathematics and astronomy [and religion too]; and from them, everything else. As the Moon made man possible as a physical being through its tides, it made him an intellectual being through its phases."

The next time someone challenges you to explain our fascinating science, why not use this quote as your parting shot?

ASTROLOGY IN BRAZIL

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For four weeks in the fall of 1986, I had the pleasure of working for the Astrology community in Brazil. I was invited to lecture in Sao Paulo by Mary Lou Simenson and Carlos Boton who run Astro-center there. Mary Lou and Carlos were on the faculty at UAC and have established a fine Astrology school in Brazil. In typically American fashion I presumed that Astrology in Brazil would be some primitive version of the subject. I was delighted to find out otherwise. From the computers and the original programs there to the books and magazines I discovered an Astrology beyond that of this country in some areas. In Brazil astrologers learn to read books outside of their native Portuguese. At Astrocenter I found Astrology books in English, Spanish, French and Portuguese. Additionally, their library contained magazines in an equal number of languages.

We Americans think that our understanding of English gives us a commanding view of the world of Astrology. Those in other countries, though, have access to our English language books and those in other languages which have ideas that have never reached our shores. I am not suggesting that Astrology outside the U.S. is superior to that here, only that there is a great deal of information we ignore.

In Rio de Janeiro, Brazil Antonio Harres sees seven to eight clients a day. I think the man is crazy for working so hard, but he's a fine astrologer serving an Astrology hungry community. I even found a magazine on the newsstands called "AstroRock" which gave astrological information on pop singers. This was a slick, color magazine that dealt with Astrology in a serious way. The public in Brazil is obviously very open.

Brazil, a Virgo country with a Moon-Jupiter conjunction in Gemini, seems to lack some of the hang-ups of America. There is a general openness to spirituality, healing, magic and Astrology that exceeds our more cautious and materialistic world-view.

It was an honor and a delight for me to see this Astrology world. While astrologers don't seem to have any more public status than ours in America, there are three Astrology schools in Sao Paulo alone. They just had a conference in Rio that had about 20 local astrologers talking on Astrology and mythology, Lillith (they're into it in Brazil), synastry, the 7th House and a variety of other familiar topics. In fact Mary Lou and Carlos are considering an international congress in Brazil in the next year or two. If you have a chance to go it could be the experience of a lifetime.

Good food, warm people, incredible scenery and an imagination and openness we could learn from make Brazil a great place for Astrology. It makes me wonder about all the other astrologers around the world who we Americans have yet to discover. With all this action in Sagittarius it may be worth our while to cast our attention beyond our national borders to the great world of Astrology that's out there. Peace.

On page 63 of the January 1987 issue of the *Mercury Hour*, there is a letter from Faye Cometti that I am compelled to comment on. While the core issues of AFA policies are not my concern here, I do wonder where Faye gets her information with respect to AFAN. She writes "Jim Lewis with AFAN....remain in or held office persistently." First, Fay, Jim was one of 12 members of AFAN's Steering Committee, a committee of equals. Unlike the AFA, the AFAN Steering Committee works as a group of equals. There are no salaried executives who run the show. Secondly, Jim, along with seven other members of the AFAN Steering Committee, did not stand for re-election. He, and the rest of us, have been replaced by new committee members. This action flies in the face of Faye's accusations of AFAN Steering Committee members holding onto power. Her lack of understanding and facts in this

situation may mislead the reader into believing that Jim Lewis, or any other individual, "runs" AFAN.

I will leave the messy battle of the AFA to **Richard Nolle** who knows the story from the inside, but ask that Faye, if she is elected to the AFA Board of Directors, try to bring facts, not unfounded opinions, to that August committee.

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December 18, 1986
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Dear Richard,

As a constant reader of **Mercury Hour** I am aware of the long-standing Cooper/AFA/AFAN Controversy and also familiar with your name - at least to the extent of understanding that you are a reviewer of books on astrological subjects.

I am also aware of **Neil Michaelson's** unceremonious ouster from the AFA. At that time I thought that the "SECRETARY" had gone too far and had overstepped his bounds apparently not as far as the AFA Board of Directors is concerned.

In 1959, a Mrs. Katharine Q. Spencer Young, of Asheville, NC, received a summons from the Post Office Department to "Cease and Desist" from practicing a fraudulent business. Over the next five weeks there was, naturally, a spate of long distance calls everywhere-to the AFA, to her publisher (Dell), to variously interested parties.

It was ascertained that no one had complained about her. The lawyer for the Post Office Department said that charges would be dropped if Mrs. Young would promise never to advertise again or send astrological advice to clients through the mails. She refused categorically and a hearing was set, in Washington, D.C. before a Post Office department examiner.

Mrs. Young mortgaged her home to raise funds so that she could travel to Washington, D.C. for the hearing and "to carry the fight to the Supreme Court, if necessary."

At the hearing, a postal inspector testified about sending three fictitious letters to Mrs. Young because of an advertisement she had placed in Dell's Horoscope Magazine. It was upon these letters that the prosecution built its case. Father Francis J. Cardoza Heyden, an astronomer at Georgetown University testified how he and Professor Bok of Harvard had a program for some time in the past "to debunk Astrology."

Testifying for the defense were two of the AFA directors and the publisher of Dell Horoscope Magazine. The Executive Secretary of the AFA at that time also testified. One director travelled from Louisville, KY at his own expense in order to testify.

The examiner denied a motion to dismiss but stated that he felt the need to study Astrology before he could rule on the case. Eventually he found for Mrs. Young and exonerated her completely. However, he retained his rigid attitude that Astrology, if not a snare was certainly a delusion. He could not find against Mrs. Young as the statute, invoked by the Post Office, states that "intent to defraud must be established."

Another case is available for a synopsis. In 1927, the city of Columbus, OH, enacted a model city ordinance providing for the licensing of astrologers for a nominal fee of \$5.00 per annum, after they had qualified as to character and by examination as to their ability as an astrologer.

In 1956, a city council member became all hot and bothered about astrologers being licensed and introduced legislation to revoke the licenses and outlaw Astrology.

Ernest Grant, then executive secretary of the AFA, wrote on behalf of Astrology. When the Councilman's proposal came up, an excellent presentation was made by an AFA member on behalf of Astrology. The City Council voted to retain the ordinance but to raise the fees to \$15.00 per annum plus an additional \$10.00 filing fee initially.

The above two cases are excerpted from material which

appeared in the AFA bulletins about 25 years ago. I have more but don't feel there is need to bring them up. While it can not be proven without a great deal of research my memory serves to remind me that these cases were spoken about as personal activities of AFA members rather than as activities of the AFA staff.

Last, but not least, is my own longstanding dislike of the AFA. In the early 60s I used to help out with the monthly assembly of the AFA Bulletin (when the AFA was here in D.C.) because an older friend and mentor would go and help. At the end of the day we would be weary and with sore muscles from the repetitive movements needed. Nevertheless, I was not allowed to take a copy of the current bulletin, we had just assembled, home with me. I also helped catalog and shelve books in the library. Mr. Grant - that is Ernest Grant, the first executive secretary of the AFA - told me that I would be entered on the rolls of the AFA and a copy mailed to me. It never was and I ended up reading my mentor's copy when it came in the mail. In those days I was working for a pittance and could not afford the money necessary to pay dues to the AFA (little as they were) and this was part of the motivation to help assemble the bulletins each month and help out otherwise. When my mentor experienced the Great Initiation in the latter half of the 60s I had no further contact with the AFA and never joined it even when I came into a better job where I could have afforded the fee. I have never regretted this decision.

Contrast the above cases with the present AFA/AFAN controversy: the Neil Michaelson excommunication; and the Sunderbrunch case.

There may be some grounds for asking the IRS to review the status of the AFA. A case might be made that AFA activities are being carried out for the benefit of a select few rather than for the general benefit and education of its members.

The point has been made that a non-profit organization exists for charitable and educational purposes. As for the point that the AFA has become a profit-making organization engaged in publishing and book sales, I feel that the Mundane data publication (those few that I've seen) has not been too accurate in the past few years. That is, unless you can call a 20 minute gap in the position of Sun and Moon a partile aspect in the case of an eclipse or a lunation. Another case is the tape published by the AFA and sold by Radio Shack for those who might be interested in Astrology. The Solar, lunar and planetary positions were inaccurate when compared to the American Ephemeris' positions. There was as much as a week's difference in the two. I've been told that some of the material published by authors handled by the AFA is nothing but a mish-mash and rehash of much early writings. I have not seen this for myself and, since I do not have any real interest in the AFA, have not investigated these charges.

Personally, I say let it go down the drain. There are other organizations that can carry on Astrology's traditions and perhaps do an even better job.

With all good wishes to you, I am,

Yours astrologically,

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BARBARA SHAFFERMAN, Wantagh, N.Y. Dec. 23, 1986

To answer **Chuck Gilreath** and **Edith's** question about **ASTROLOGY WEST** - I, too, renewed my subscription to the magazine in the spring of 1985 and received no issues. When I wrote to inquire about this, I was told that the publication was being delayed because of lack of funds, but it would soon be printed. In December of 1985 I wrote again, asking for the magazine or a refund. I received an answer from **Marian Rogers**, the editor and publisher, that was a masterpiece of confused thinking, ranting about what a service she was performing for Astrology, how her husband was subsidizing her valuable work and how the astrological community was not behind this project, leaving her a lone woman producing this journal on her dining room table. She concluded with (and I quote exactly) "We need your fee even though it only covers a fraction of the cost of processing your subscription. However,

we will gladly refund your subscription fee if you do not wish to support our cause."

I, too, needed my fee as I really had better uses for the \$15 (renewing my **MH** subscription, for example). I wrote back stating in no uncertain terms that I did not wish to support her cause and that I would appreciate receiving the refund she "gladly" offered me. Naively, I really thought she meant it. After two months of silence, I wrote again in March of 1986 demanding my money, but received no answer to the letter. To make things worse, around that time I saw an ad soliciting subscriptions for **ASTROLOGY WEST** in one of the astrological publications -- she was still trying to take other people's money for her "cause".

I apologize for being remiss, because at that time I intended to write to **Mercury Hour** telling my story, so that other people out there in **MH** land might be spared losing their money. However, I got sidetracked and frankly forgot about it until I spotted Edith's question in the January 1987 issue. So I am writing now to warn everyone to be wary of ads for **ASTROLOGY WEST** or any other project that might be used to finance Marian Roger's cause.

Chuck Gilreath mentions **PHENOMENA**. I also got burned on that one, but at least **Malcolm Dean** replied to my inquiry in a sincere and apologetic manner. Also, he was genuinely trying to produce a fine, much needed publication that kept us abreast of the latest scientific articles. **Marian Rogers** was just on a giant ego trip, financed with **Chuck's** money, my money and the money of countless others. Enough about her!

T. Patrick Davis has got to be one of the finest astrologers around. In her clear, insightful way she manages to convey the essence of a chart so effectively. I thought she did a masterful job on the **AFA** chart in the January issue.

I've been a subscriber to **Mercury Hour** for many, many years and I think it is subtly changing its character. I find that where I once read the magazine from cover to cover, I now skip over many articles in each issue. Where it once was a vehicle where astrologers could communicate to each other their hands-on experiences, their problems and their insights, it is slowly becoming a vehicle where people can print their "scholarly" articles that might not otherwise see the light of day. The problem is that these articles only dimly address the needs of the majority of astrologers. For example, in the January issue I skipped **Howard Stephen Berg's** article on psychological testing -- if I want to learn about this, I'll read about it more thoroughly in a psychology book, not in the **Mercury Hour**. I skipped **Lew Paxton Price's** article on Astrology in the Bible -- I don't think its complicated symbolism belongs here. I skipped **Frank Faustino's** article -- I couldn't understand what he was trying to say, but it certainly had nothing to do with Astrology.

The truly informative articles like **Dorothy Willis'** weather information or **Marc Penfield's** "Counties of America" or **Keven Barrett's** "Sidereal Astrology" are wonderful additions to our knowledge, and I'm all for articles like that. But I miss the style of the old **Mercury Hour**. True, it was sometimes kooky and sometimes a bit nasty, but it was never boring. I'm afraid that in the self-conscious solemnity of some of the non-relevant articles, it is starting to become just that. I wonder if others agree with me.

BARBARA: We are terribly sorry that you don't enjoy all of the communications put into the **Mercury Hour** in each edition. Some of the articles that you have mentioned that did not tantalize you have been very much enjoyed by other subscribers. We get quite a mixed bag of mail on the letters vs. articles issue. There are many people who dislike the long discourses through letters that go on and on indefinitely, for many reasons. Some don't like them because they are all spread out over many issues and hard to follow and many, many, many don't like them when the name calling begins. We have begun to include a few more articles only because this is what we are receiving from the **Mercury Hour** writers. The **Mercury Hour** is open to all subscribers and many send letters about their experiences as well as the many who send organized articles. We try to include all of both unless terrible insults are being exchanged.

We respect and desire the fact that you enjoy the letters from individuals about miscellaneous things and will ALWAYS include them, but we will also include the articles written by our subscribers as we feel that they also show a depth of thought from each individual. Many times we print articles about programming and methods of Astrology that I don't personally use, but I feel that there are others in our community who might be interested in these things. We must share the **Mercury Hour** with our sisters and brothers of Astrology and support them in their endeavors to learn. Any time someone writes something that you don't agree with you are welcome to challenge their premises and we will print it providing their isn't useless name-calling. Skip over what you don't enjoy and remember that someone else may be very interested in this same thing. We are not all alike by nature and the **Mercury Hour** would like to offer a little bit for everybody.

JEWELL

SUE SCOTT, Portland, OR January 19, 1987

My mother has decided to take up the study of Astrology. If there is anyone in the Wilmington/Newark, Delaware area teaching beginning Astrology please contact her: **Margaret Southard**, 2723 Bardell Drive, Wilmington, Delaware 19808. I know she wouldn't like to drive too far, especially at night.

Last year at the **NORWAC** Conference in Seattle, WA., I got hooked on writing astrological limericks. Actually it's all **Bill Tierney's** fault. By the way, has anyone heard from him? I haven't seen a letter or article by him in over a year. Anyway, I am enclosing them on a separate sheet of paper for **Jewell's** and **Edith's** amusement. I have to explain that the one I wrote for **Scorpio** is coming in a separate asbestos envelope. I never did get limericks written for **Cancer/Capricorn** which I find amusing because they are my Moon Nodes.

On second thought, I am sending what I consider the cream of the crop. This is my favorite:

A sweet young thing name of Doris
biblically knew the whole chorus
from high C to G
she fiddled dee deed
and behaved like a naughty Taurus
This one was written for **Donna Van Toen** who loved it.
There was a Piscean named Donna
Who said, "When I grow up, I wanna
be fondled and hugged
on the chair, bed or rug.
by someone who craves my persona."
I know that **Rob Hand** is not a Virgo. The phrase came from one of his talks at the conference and stuck in my mind.
Wherever Rob Hand may go
he puts on a wonderful show
his hair is uncut
his clothing rough but
he's not excessively Virgo
Hope these give you a chuckle.

Thank you for publishing the **Mercury Hour**.

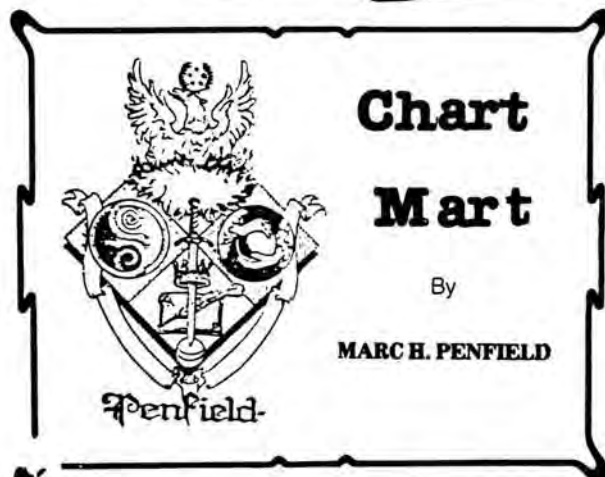
GRACE K. MORRIS, Oak Lawn, IL January 8, 1987

I've subscribed for over 10 years and every issue I intend to write - but haven't. I guess I'm too busy being a professional astrologer. But now I want to respond to the October 1986 edition about Illinois recording birth information in standard or daylight time. Born and raised in Chicago, having my office here since 1975, I've heard every "rule" about Illinois birthtime but my experience says "set up two charts for the people born in summertime or wartime" and be ready to check out both. I rectify every clients' birthtime no matter where they were born before beginning a consultation. (I use major transits to angles and birthdates of parents and family).

Sometimes a client walks in and it's obvious which Ascendant to use (ex-Taurus or Gemini) but both daylight and standard may be the same Ascendant about 14° apart so each angle needs to be checked by transit (I use Uranus, Saturn and Pluto primarily). Wish I could say there is a specific rule for Illinois births but there is NOT!

Keep up the great work, **Mercury Hour**.

Data Corner



From a recent issue of the American Astrology (Dec. 1986) comes the following:

BERGMAN, INGRID (actress) was born in Stockholm, Sweden on Aug. 29, 1915, at 3:30 a.m. (MET/DST) from data at the Forste Stadsakivet.

EKLUND, BRITT (actress) was born in Stockholm, Sweden on Oct. 6, 1942, at 12:20 a.m. (MET) according to the Stockholm Kommuns Stadsarkivet.

GARBO, GRETA (actress) was born in Stockholm, Sweden on Sept. 18, 1905, at 7:30 p.m. (MET) according to the Stadsarkivet.

SHEPHERD, CYBILL (actress) was born in Memphis, Tenn. on Feb. 18, 1950, at 7:52 p.m. (CST) from hospital records obtained by Roscoe Hope.

More data:

CASTRO, FIDEL (Cuban dictator) was born in Biran, Oriente, Cuba on Aug. 13, 1927, at 2 a.m. according to the book "FIDEL" by Peter Bourne. Another book entitled "FIDEL" by Tad Szulc, however, gives the year as 1926, but also notes the time of 2 a.m., from a reported statement by Castro himself. This would give Castro the last degrees of Gemini rising with Pluto and Saturn trine the MC (1926 date) and the Sun inconjunct the MC as well. I don't believe the time is correct at all. Methinks it's about 12 hours off at least.

BOYD, MALCOLM (gay priest and activist) was born in Buffalo, N.Y. on June 8, 1923, at 2:05 p.m. according to his Birth Certificate time in an interview with him last month.

And for those into historical figures:

STUYVESANT, PETER (Dutch governor of Nieuw Amsterdam, now New York) was born in Scherpenzeel, Holland on Sept. 8, 1592, (no mention of O.S. or N.S.). He died in New York City at age 80 in 1672, having lost his leg in 1644 and the city of New York to the English in 1664.

A notation in the Encyclopedia Britannica (Vol. 14, 1963 ed.) under the heading Los Angeles (page 348a) states the following:

"On Aug. 18, 1781, as part of Spain's design to colonize California more thoroughly, the future city's first permanent residents arrived after a 100-day march northward from Mexico through the blistering heat of the deserts. These humble, mostly illiterate folk consisted of 12 families (46 persons in all) of Mestizo (Spanish-Indian), Negro and Spanish blood. On Sept. 4, 1781, California's Spanish governor, Felipe de Neve, gave the

community of Los Angeles official status as the territory's second pueblo (after San Jose, founded in 1777).

If this is in fact correct, then the correct founding date of Los Angeles has its Sun in Leo along with a balsamic Moon. Here are the planets for 4 a.m. (PST or LMT) on August 18, 1781:

Sun = 25 Leo 47 = motion = 57'45"
 Moon = 10 Leo 25 = 14° 26 min.
 Mercury = 13 Leo 44 ret. = 20 min.
 Venus = 16 Vir 47 = 1° 13 min.
 Mars = 14 Cap 50 = 2 min.
 Jupiter = 19 Sco 23 = 6 min.
 Saturn = 13 Sag 27 = stationary direct
 Uranus = 1 Can 52 = 2 min.
 Neptune = 4 Lib 16 = 2 min.
 Pluto = 4 Aqu 58 ret. = 1 min.

And now for the latest on the AIDS crisis:

Methinks that **Joylyn Hill**, of Denver, was correct in her assumption that AIDS was a manufactured disease that somehow got loose from the laboratory. According to Dr. John Seale, an expert on Sexually Transmitted Diseases from England, American scientists combined a sheep virus called Maedivisna with a leukemia virus commonly found in cattle. German expert, Jacob Segal and Dr. Robert Strecker of California, concur with Dr. Seale's findings. He states "I'm not sure the U.S. Government is involved with a coverup, but it could be the scientists themselves. Experiments are not being done in high-security laboratories and are very dangerous. That's how the AIDS virus started. Scientists don't seem to realize the risks. I stand by everything I said. It's the result of 3½ years of research into AIDS". He goes further to state that top health officials are involved in a "conspiracy of silence" and have not responded to his charges.

Talk about bacterial/germ warfare gone awry!!! Sort of reminds me of the neutron bomb, where only the people are killed but structures remain.

AQUINO, CORAZON was born in Malate, Manila, Philippines as originally stated in the letter from **Serafin Lanot**. Seems I read somewhere she was born in Tarlac province, but that turns out to be the birthplace of her husband. So sorry for the inconvenience it might have caused those who've already drawn up a chart for her, and my apologies to Serafin Lanot.

LOIS RODDEN

Yucaipa, CA

DAVID FISHER of the Astrological Association of England reports an error in THE INTERNATIONAL ATLAS for March 17, 1968, to October 27, 1968, in giving MDT (-2 hrs.) "inasmuch as two hours have not been added since the summer of World War II and again in 1947. The designation of MET (-1 hr.) is correct for England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales for 1968. This has been confirmed by John Filbey, co-author of "ASTRONOMY FOR ASTROLOGERS." ACS has not yet responded to this.

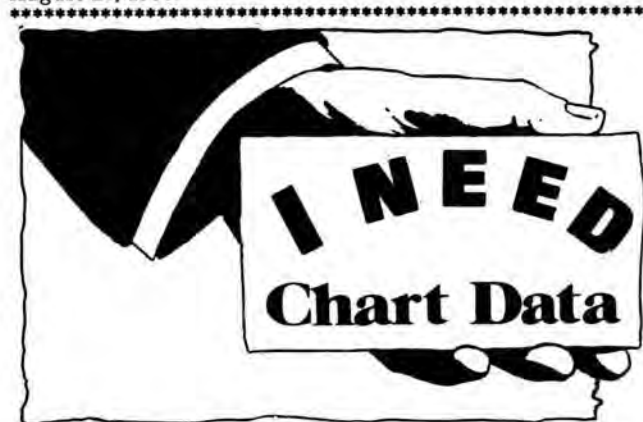
Ananda also sends the data for **ANNIE LENNOX** of the EUTHMICS December 25, 1954, 11:30 p.m. GMT, 2W07, 57N08 (probably Scotland), data from her by letter to **BABS KIRBY**. Thanks Ananda and Babs.

EUGENE MOORE got the B.C. for **LIDO IACOCCA**, wonderful, good one! October 15, 1924, 5:00 p.m. EST. The B.C. doesn't give the hospital or town, but "Lehigh County". As the town of Lehigh is in Buck's County, I'll take the location given in "Who's Who", Allentown, PA (in Lehigh County), 75W29,

40N37.

Anchorwoman JANE PAULEY and her husband, cartoonist GARRY TRUDEAU have a baby boy, noted in the news as August 27, 1986, 4:34 a.m. EDT "somewhere in the NY City environs." Their twins, also from the news, were born December 30, 1983, RICHARD at 7:05 a.m. EST, and RACHEL at 7:11 a.m. EST, New York, N.Y. 73W57, 40N45.

EDWIN STEINBRECHER has the data for TED KNIGHT from him by letter; born Tadewurz Wladzui Konopka, December 7, 1923, 00:30 a.m. EST, Plymouth, Ct., 73W01, 41N40. The son of Polish immigrants, Knight was a personable and relaxed actor from the mid-50's with more than 300 TV roles, winning two Emmys for comedy series. He died of cancer August 26, 1986.



CAMILLE ADAMS, Bowie, MD January 20, 1986

Incidentally, hearing names of Howard H. Baker, Jr. in line for Caysey's job - (Re: Iran/Contra Scandal), here's the only data I could get: November 15, 1925, Huntsville, Tenn. In U.S. Navy 1943-1946, Presbyterian. These are only rumors.

LELA CHAVELLIER-POWELL Suite 221 7403 S. Yale
February 2, 1987 Tulsa, OK. 74136

Wanted: Official data on launch of Voyager, please.

JENE M. RIPKE 2130 Locust Street
Sutter, CA 95982 Jan. 15, 1987

I belonged to an astrological society in Portland, Oregon several years ago (1971)...The group did an analysis on Gary Gilmore's chart. This was the young man the "Executioners Song" was written about. Over the last 10 years I have moved several times and lost his birth information. The only thing I can recall is a Grand Cross in his natal chart that came into exact contact by progression or transit on the day he was executed.

Do you happen to have this information? It seems we had his birth time then because his mother lived in Beaverton, OR. She is dead now, and I would like to have this chart for further research.

SUE SCOTT 16944 NW ST. Helens RD.
January 19, 1987 Portland, OR 97231

I would like the birth data for William Randolph Hearst, his wife, (who's name I don't know,) and Marion Davies. I thought a study of these three charts might be interesting.

MARGUERITE dar BOGGIA, Santa Paula, CA Jan. 15, 1987

I am presently researching spina bifida charts. If anyone has birth data on this problem, I would appreciate receiving same at my new address: 19622 Telegraph Rd., Santa Paula, CA. 93060. If the parent would like the chart with a brief delineation, send the parents' address. I also would appreciate the birth data of the parents, if possible. A history of the child's would also be welcomed.

DONA SHAW, Arroyo Grande, CA December 23, 1986

I need some data and would appreciate someone sharing

with me.

Birth data for: Georgia O'Keefe and Andrew Wyeth.

Also would like data for difficult births (yeah, yeah, I know they all are, but I just want the unusually difficult--breech birth, cord around baby, etc.) and for people with Uranus in the 1st close to the Ascendant. If you mail these, I will return the postage to you.

GERRY WILLINGHAM, Kansas City, MO October 20, 1986

As always, really enjoyed my last Mercury Hour.

I am doing a research paper on schizophrenia and would appreciate any charts anyone has of people who have experienced this disease.

JEANETTE K. OSWALD, Philadelphia, PA December 27, 1986

Having had to research my own chart the info for PA is this: 1917 & 1918 DST observed Philadelphia worked with DST after that although it was not the law. Gov. Pugh would not sign. Pittsburgh also observed DST.

However, most of the smaller towns stayed on Standard Time until about 1930.

Your magazine is a joy.

T. PATRICK DAVIS

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December 29, 1986

EVELYN NAGLE - WHERE ARE YOU? If anyone knows Evelyn Nagle, friend to ANNIE HERSHEY, would you ask her to call or write me. I am seeking an update on the condition of LARRY ICKES of Pennsylvania.

FLORENCE BERCUT, Honolulu, HI January 15, 1987

HELPFUL HINTS

If you need information regarding the famous or infamous, phone the main branch of your local library. The librarians will research birthdates, events, or any significant data you request. The librarians helped me with the birthdates and places of the President's Cabinet: Shultz, 13, (sic), 1920; Secord, July 7, 1937; Meese, Dec. 2, 1931; MacFarland, July 12, 1937, North, Oct. 7, 1943.

Solar charts have personal significance and intuitively tune you into the individuality of the native. Use 6 a.m. locality chart or Noon Mark. I find validity in the Solar Charts and I don't attempt to guess Ascendants without a birth time.

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I am trying to locate the birth and death dates of a male alchemist and artist, Francis Barrett. He wrote *The Magus or Celestial Intelligencer*, published in London in 1801, and reprinted by University Books, New Hyde Park, N.Y., 1967.

I am also interested in any biographical information about Francis Barrett.

I will pay a reward of \$20.00 to the first person who sends me this information if it is verifiable.

CHARLOTTE HILLIGOSS

Post Office Box 845

Hoodsport, WA 98548

CAROLYN SHINKER, Wilmette, IL February 3, 1987

I have recently done four charts for prisoners at the Federal Medical Center in Rochester, MN. All had Mars in 8th in common. (Birthtimes were from birth certificates.) I told

them I thought it meant that they were risk takers because I also have several charts of gamblers with Mars in the 8th.

Do you readers agree or have I gone too far out on a limb?

SALLY SINACORE N82W15904 Valley View Drive
 Oct. 25, 1986 Menomonee Falls, WI 53051

I need birth data for Dr. Leo Bwecaglion of California, also anyone in the Menomonee Falls, Milwaukee area interested in Astrology to contact me.

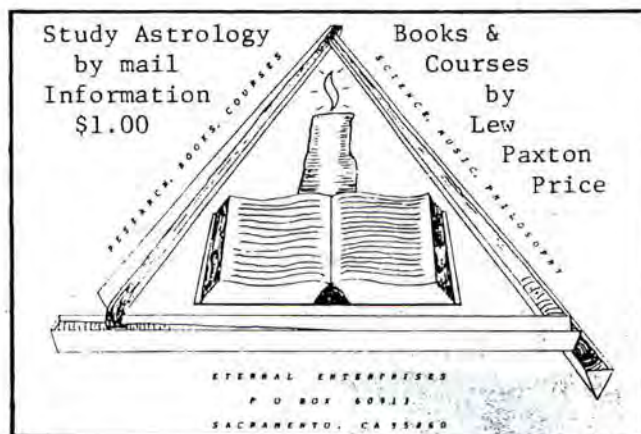
I am dying up here without someone to talk too!

THE WIZARD BOX 290350
 February 4, 1987 Temple Terrace, FL 33687

To the Mercury Hour readers: Help! I need birthdates of the following news media personalities. The most important ones are marked with an arrow. Thanks.

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Aug	Stephen	ABC						
Balcor	Hilary	ABC		Brady	Ray	CBS		
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Chase	Rebecca	ABC	→	Crile	George	CBS	Francis	Fred
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Re: **Tomasin Noyes:** You asked about stelliums—there is a tape by Eric Bloom that is very good, also a book by **Annie Hershey** named *Interpretation Techniques* that is helpful. A number of years ago Aquarius Workshop had an article in *Aspects* by Donn Forrest called "Overloaded Houses" that was good. If you have trouble getting this last one, contact me and I will run off a copy from mine.

I was very happy to see the supporting letters from **Marwayne Leipzig, Dorothy Hughes, and Others** concerning **Richard Nolle** and the Save AFA movement. The Helio chart by **T. Patrick Davis** was very informative—as is all of her work with Helio.

Edward L. Dearborn: I find your idea of **ASTRO MORSELS** interesting. Do you plan to publish these someday?

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Congratulations (belated) on your 50th Anniversary! Thanks for creating a forum for us all. I have a request for birth data for your next issue. **JUDITH HILL** and myself are working on a research project on Natural Redheads. The preliminary findings are quite remarkable but that is based on the first 50 charts. If each of the subscribers out there could send us birth data on one Redhead from your files we could reach our quota. The information we need: 1. Sex, 2. Birth Date, 3. Birth Time Specify Source, 4. Place, 5. Hair Tone ° ° BRIGHT RED, ° AUBURN, ° STRAWBERRY BLONDE, ° BRIGHT ORANGE.

The BRIGHT RED and the BRIGHT ORANGE of course, are showing the most predictability. Thanks to you all for taking the time to send us some Redheads from your files. I'll be glad to share the findings in the *Mercury Hour* when we finish our first sample.

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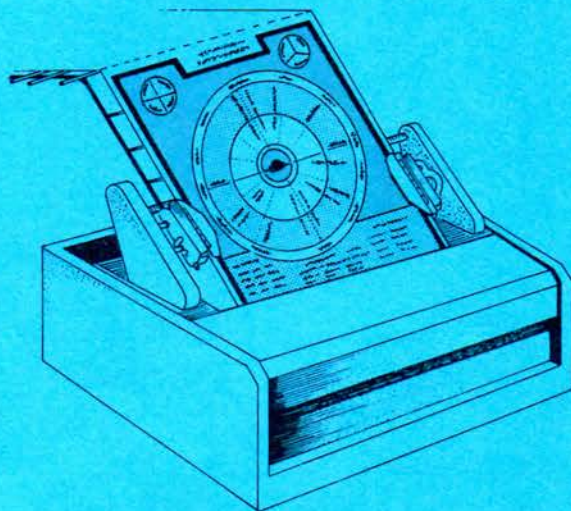
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