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Spiritual Pearls

Love humanity. Honor and praise every soul. If you have not the courage to honor or praise him, then let him pass out of your life.

Remember—there is no saint without a past—no sinner without a future.

See God and good in every face. All the perfections and virtues of the Great Cosmic Intelligence are hidden in you. Reveal them. The Savior is also in you. Let His Benevolence emancipate you.

Be deaf and dumb concerning the faults of others. Do not listen to gossips. Fortify yourself against the gossip-mongers with virtuous conversation.

Do not let the poisonous germs of religious fanaticism run through your veins. Never argue with anyone regarding his or her religious beliefs. Religious controversies lead to hatred and separation.

When you have Love and Sympathy for the other fellow, you have the highest type of religion, no matter by what name you call it. Rest assured that the emancipation of the world lies through the nameless God of Love and the nameless religion of Love.

Conquer hatred, malice, envy, personal spite and prejudice with Love.

Do not condemn a single person. Upon the vast sea of Eternity there is room for every sail. In the limitless sky of Truth, there is room for every wing.

Spiritual murder is worse than taking a man's life. See only the beautiful, the artistic, the lovely and the noble.

This is the path to Glory, to Happiness, to Health, to everlasting prosperity. Let me walk in it during all the days of my Life!

Excerpts from an ancient Persian manuscript translated by Pritam S. Gill

Staircase of ETERNITY

*"To gain true wisdom—shown by deeds—
Is this not better than on creeds
To pin one's faith? No creed can chain
The mind that grasps this truth arcane,
That Wisdom is the Essence prime
Of the eternal Self sublime . . ."*

—Euripides

What is Initiation?

ALMOST every occultist speaks of *initiation*, yet all too few of them define it. Each branch of occult science posts signboards saying "Initiation — Straight Ahead." Every occult club, each of the numerous commercial organizations—even one or two unaffiliated occultists—offer courses of one kind or another calculated to bring the soul of man into the presence of Divinity. Yet we poor average Americans are often puzzled: we have no time to become accomplished in the science of Yoga; often we are far from satisfied with the instruction-sheets sent to our homes by commercial occultists; we certainly have neither the time nor the opportunity to learn the Hebrew of the Kabbalists—and even if we had, we might very well not have the money necessary to locate the rare and costly books in which the recondite teachings are to be found.

It is surprising how many people—very interested people—do not even know what initiation is. They feel dimly that it is some kind of process by which mysterious facts are communicated to them by spook-like beings who occasionally materialize in order to convey some tidbit of information to the astonished "chela." Materialistic delusions of this nature are the result of an over-literal interpretation of the writings of the great occultists—which is in every way equivalent to the over-literal interpretation of the Judeo-Christian scriptures. The unfortunate result of such interpretation is that *significance* is lost under a pile of unimportant detail leading to an endless quibble over the essentially superficial.

In occultism there are certain significant truths which are of the spirit, and

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which spring from the basic essence of human necessity; there are also infinite varieties of *opinions* on many abstruse subjects—such as the personal appearance of the Masters of Wisdom, the exact geography of the antediluvian world, or the parentage of Francis Bacon—which, while interesting in themselves, tend sometimes to lead the seeker into a labyrinth of petty detail. Lost in such a labyrinth, he all too often loses sight of the true goal of the occult sciences—the forging of the human entity into a wise, healthy, compassionate, and thoroughly efficient personage.

So that my meaning will not be mistaken, I must say that I do not seek to discourage the study of the occult sciences—far from it. But I wish heartily to draw the reader's attention to the *fundamentals*; one of the greatest tasks before the candidate is to learn the utter unity lying behind all true symbolism. Initiation is not concerned with learning various truths: it is the science which leads the soul to *the* truth, whatever the truth may ultimately prove to be. No man can, I think, boast with any degree of accuracy that he knows the whole truth, for that is a knowledge which the Mind of God reserves for Itself alone; yet there is a basic *trueness* in the universe which man is capable of grasping—always in the measure at the moment necessary for his development.

No man can *be* initiated; to reap the benefits of such a process, he must *live* initiation, and to live initiation, he must cultivate the faculty of continuous self-analysis. When man looks deeply and honestly into his inner being, and when he learns the patience and fierce courage

to keep his gaze fastened there regardless of any unpleasant or humiliating sight he may see there, he is on the staircase that leads upward into the light, and he may be sure that the eternal Presence which he seeks is not far away.

In some respects the process of initiation is like the process of psychoanalysis, for in initiation too one must return into the depths of his past experience and must examine every unpleasant experience which has dulled mental and physical equipment, and which has been instrumental in any degree in turning his mind away from the true destiny of every human being, which is selfless and efficient (and therefore of necessity *happy*) service in a universe which has foreordained a mission for every single creation which it has brought forth.

Initiation, then, must be seen as the conscious quest of the human soul to discover its true mission (or destiny), and at the same time to discover the physical strength and financial means for accomplishing it. Where initiation departs radically from psychoanalysis (and leaves it far behind) is in its essential avoidance of dogma of any kind, its rejection of the absurd and solipsistic notion that the mind of man is in itself sufficient, and in its utter assurance that the universe is bathed in a loving (if severe) intelligence which is ever ready to be of service to the striving human soul when its service is needed. If the psychiatrist did not lack humility, he might become the true high priest of the mysteries of tomorrow.

How Long Does Initiation Take?

Since we Americans are practical people, we often wish to know how long initiation takes. This is an eminently reasonable question, and certainly one that deserves an answer. And answers a-plenty there have been; the difficulty arises, however, from the unkindness of some of the answers. "Seven Incarnations!" says James Pryse, and what do not some of the others say? Very well, it may be so. Yet if this be the case, some of us may well be utterly discouraged before we begin.

But let us examine the entire matter in a more reasonable and compassionate light; very few, if any, of us have any real idea as to the exact time required for the ultimate and utter perfecting of the human body. Time itself, as we know

it, is a purely human concept which may exist quite differently for different forms of the divine manifestation. If the soul of man is eternal, then its perfection could well require an eternity, and the ultimate form that it must take in eternal perfection must remain, for all practical purposes, shrouded in speculation.

However, there is a time and a place for everything, and the immediate problems before us are the ones to which we must give our attention—if we would avoid becoming "escapists" who attempt to fly into the murky realms of the future simply because they are unable to cope with the requirements of the cosmos made upon them in the here and now.

It makes little difference what we may find in our next incarnation; it is certain that if we are unable to handle this one satisfactorily, we may reasonably expect to have a more difficult time in the next. Conversely, if we learn what we must learn in this incarnation, and so learn in the very depths of our being the radiant truth that the Cosmic Mind is real, powerful, loving, and utterly worthy of total service, then this knowledge and assurance cannot fail to profit us in any further states of being in which we may ultimately find ourselves.

Ultimate initiation, which is assuredly beyond mortal comprehension, may well take millions of what we call years; yet how many of us would not feel infinitely rewarded by a noticeable daily improvement in our efficiency and happiness? Is not the certainty that the Cosmos is *interested*, that its God understands completely, and—best of all perhaps—that He offers his instruction to the sincere . . . is not such assurance a sufficient immediate reward?

In the most practical sense, initiation takes a lifetime, and those who enter on its pathway must find plentiful assurance that the dissolution of the present physical vehicles is by no means the end of the progress of the true self. The fallacy which must be overcome is the neophyte's tendency to think of initiation as a "happening," as a sort of event which takes place at some particular point in time and space. Initiation is a continuing process; indeed, it is a world-view and a way of life. No matter how much one learns, no matter how great the heights to which one may rise, there are always newer pinnacles to be attained and new

facets of the glorious universe to be admired and worshiped.

Initiation begins the moment a man or a woman faces up to the fact that he is imperfect and stands in need of improvement. It is impeded the moment he comes to believe that his salvation can be effected by placing himself at the disposal of another mortal. The process of initiation is a gradual illumination which must take place in the silence of the inner being and from its resources; it must take place in a spiritual solitude which can never be penetrated. The soul seeking initiation is the soul that is alone—isolated from any external influence, and content that its inner radiance cannot ever be truly shared.

Corruption comes from without; purification takes place from within: once this has been established in the heart as a reality, the process is begun. And once it is begun, it is an amazingly rapid process; its wonders and its revelations come thick and fast upon one another's heels. But they are infinite! To learn all that is in the limitless and unfathomable Cosmos would take, I suppose, billions of centuries—even if a fresh revelation were poured into our conscious mind with every tick of the clock.

To take the first step upward takes a second of firm resolution; to complete the ascension is the task of eternity. But from the instant the heart makes its heroic resolve and is certain of its acceptance from the answering voice of the secret God within, its progress is continuous; every day brings its new revelation and its new happiness, and every tiny step we take upon the path of truth carries us infinitely further from the adders nest of error and vulgarity which is ever the dwelling place of the heart which has chosen to devote itself to the service of its animal desires.

What are the Obstacles?

There are many real and disheartening obstacles in the path of the striving initiate. They will pounce upon him at every turn, and they arise not only from evil and error in the external world, but also from the "fifth-column" of selfishness, cowardice, and laziness within the seeker himself. I shall mention only three of what seem to me the most dangerous pitfalls.

The first great obstacle to continuing initiation is, perhaps, the tendency of the

human mind to allow itself to be shaken from its resolve by the seeming discrepancy between the ideals and the realities of human existence; we are creatures by nature impatient, and we find it hard to rid ourselves of a certain childish irritation with the world's stubborn refusal to adapt itself to, and to profit by the inner knowledge that we ourselves might have gained. We learn certain truths, and we stand amazed; and we are angered to find that the world is simply not interested.

All too often the young seeker becomes so discouraged that he simply shrugs his shoulders and decides that the easiest solution is simply to forget about the whole thing. But this is a very poor solution; in fact, it is quite obviously no solution at all. One must, in the course of his spiritual evolution, come to realize that every step he takes away from the simplicity of the people around him places new responsibilities upon him; he must learn that one cannot drive others to accept the gracious gifts of the spirit.

It is a spiritual felony—if I may be permitted such a term—to reject one's fellows in one's own ascent simply because they refuse to ascend at your side. Yours is not the wisdom of the universe; every man is free to seek initiation if he so desires, but are we sure that each man is sufficiently evolved so that he may desire so high a service? This is a puzzling point, and one which "... needs must give us pause ..."

A second, and perhaps more dangerous possibility confronting the seeker is the dilemma arising out of his recognition that he is a free and spiritual being, subject to no laws but the laws of truth, and responsible to no master save the God of the Cosmos. Such a realization, while right and most necessary, applies only to the inner, spiritual, and intellectual being—to the part of the human totality which is immortal and ultimately perfect. It does not apply to the limited, finite, and material body which must function in a world of sense and substance.

It is sometimes very trying for the initiate to live in the world of men and matter—but in most cases it is his solemn duty to do so. He has realized certain truths which are sealed to the world, and he soon finds—sometimes through very unhappy experiences—that

many of the earth's inhabitants are by no means ready to receive such truth. Indeed, sometimes they cannot even hear them without excitement, anger, and intellectual disorganization. In the case of the higher initiates, there is little danger of their falling out with the world they have sworn to serve; in the case of neophytes the danger is immeasurably grave.

Under the impulsion of essentially minor revelations of lesser mysteries, we see the occasional spectacle of rash souls—whose zeal is matched only by their lack of wisdom—dashing out upon an unsuspecting world in the guise of prophet or messiah to convince an astounded populace that some seemingly whimsical notion is a literal truth. Generally such a "prophet" does not stop to ask himself what the general acceptance of his "revelation" might really profit the world, and he is bitterly intolerant of those backward beings who inhabit that world which—in his over-weening egotism—he cannot understand to be absolutely "under control."

If we are to partake of the *panis angelicus* of initiation, we must acclimate ourselves to the fact that we have been *allowed* a *conscious* participation in the Cosmic Plan; this means that we shall be *given* our task—humble even at its most spectacular. It means that we must face up to our infinite smallness; it means that we must keep ourselves from the spiritual pride that would delude us that we are ready to wrest control from the hands of God and to set about refashioning the world after our own limited idea of perfection.

The initiate must learn cooperation, that perhaps most difficult and most satisfying of all human capacities; he must learn silence—content to be recognized by his peers and satisfied that those who have not yet reached his estate will not understand. To the less enlightened people of the world, the initiate must be kind—with a kindness that is born of love and the understanding that, when they are ready, they too will be brought upward into the light. He must not condemn them, he must not despise them, he must not find amusement in their "sancta simplicitas," and he must not inflict upon them any truth which they as yet cannot grasp. Indeed, his capacity to serve will be greatly curtailed if he

shocks and disturbs the quiet of souls less evolved—which are, after all, the seeds of luminous beings of the future, germinating in the fertile darkness of momentary incomprehension.

The third, and most definitely immediate problem confronting the seeker after initiation is the fact that his daily material necessities must be attended to; few of us are so fortunate as to be able to live without working—not that I am convinced that such a state would be an unmixed blessing. We must adapt our inner lives to function in harmonious cooperation with our external existences; and this can be a most trying task. It requires all the wisdom and patience one can muster, and the development of an ever-broadening perspective. It means that we must develop the deeply occult faculty of seeing in the external an absolute and complete symbolization of the internal condition of the soul.

When the candidate is tempted to rebel against his external circumstances, he must exercise the utmost will power to rescue himself from the tragic error of believing that—by a rejection of the image of his soul in the mirror of external reality—he can free himself for further flights into the open skies of occult realization; he cannot, and if he attempts to do so, his progressive awakening ceases until he returns to the physical symbols of the tasks before his spiritual self and finds within the solution which will establish complete and creative harmony in the external complex which is the God-ordained field of his operation.

The Advantages of Initiation

But if we resist the omnipresent pitfalls of the journey into the light, its rewards are marvelous to contemplate. If we are unhappy, we gain in happiness; if we are afraid, we develop courage; if we are in despair, we anchor our beings in hope; and if we are confused, we begin to untangle the gordian knot of our perplexities.

The greatest of the occultists have always recognized the eminently practical nature of initiation, and although they have often dropped innumerable veils before the occult sanctuary, their meanings stand forth ever more lucidly and brilliantly as one continues his studies. Even more striking is, perhaps, the unity and ultimate agreement of their con-

clusions; only followers disagree; the masters are of one heart, one mind, and one utterly perfect accord.

But I wish to mention some of the—as it were—*minor* advantages to be discovered by the shining staircase, advantages which to most would be glorious in themselves, but which come to the initiate naturally as a sort of by-product.

The first of these is *culture*; during the course of initiation the seeker finds that his studies lead him into an increasingly wide field of intellectual endeavor; he discovers slowly that he is traveling the same path that the greatest minds of the universe have traveled before him. He explores the great and mysterious treasure house of occult literature, and devours the manna of truth which he finds falling about him everywhere. From here it is probable that he will be led to what he has heretofore considered both secular and dull—the supposedly dead realms of the great classics.

And what does he find here? Illumination! The personal records of the occult insights of the greatest minds of the world; all truth has been, at one time or another, “occult” truth, and he begins to realize that the perceptions making poets such as Spencer, Shakespeare, Milton, or Browning great, were in the truest and deepest sense occult perceptions. He may go into music: from Handel he may learn of the earth transformed by a mankind that has grown up to its heritage; from Bach he may learn of the infinite power and poetry of the human intellect; from Beethoven, if he is acute, he may learn of the power of the fixed stars, and how they sometimes penetrate the material nature of man with their infinite and transcendent intelligences; and in Wagner he may see the true dramas of the mysteries, recreated for the cosmic indoctrination of a new humanity!

The same holds true should he be moved to investigate the world of painting. In the primitives he may contemplate the mysteries symbolized in a world of pure *meaning*; in Rembrandt he may be reassured that his own inner struggle has been the lot of others before him, from Redon he may come to understand the art of true seeing—which some call clairvoyance; and through the mastery of Picasso he may be re-initiated in the high mysteries of the Tarot.

Where can man turn in the world of beauty and greatness that he will not find new insight into the nature and destiny of the human spirit? What great soul will fail to have for him a personal message? What cosmic struggle has ever taken place in the noble and heroic heart that will not aid man in his own struggle upward into the presence of the living God of beauty, intelligence, and unending creation? And soon the seeker will find himself conversant with all that is great and beautiful, and being so, and possessing charity and compassion and faith, he will be that crown of humanity—the truly cultured man.

But the initiate will do well for himself in a purely material sense also. He will learn obedience and devotion to duty, and these qualities cannot fail to make him invaluable in whatever set of circumstances he may find himself; honesty and reliability are second-nature to the illuminated soul, and these virtues are of value—even in the unglamorous terms of hard cash. The initiate will put away from himself all dissatisfaction with the world in which he must live, and will turn inward to put the house of his own soul in order. This will keep him from ever being a complainer or a malcontent.

And could the seeker after light ever be lonely? He converses continuously with the all-wise Mind of the Universe; could he, with such companionship, complain that he is cut off or isolated from kindred spirits? He is a player in the most exciting of all games—the game of self mastery; how then could he become the prey of boredom or discontent? He has more work before him than he could accomplish in his lifetime if he worked without stopping night and day; how then could his life be empty or uneventful?

I could fill pages with the glories and the advantages of the cosmic search; the end is never found, the rewards are past the capacity of the human imagination, the beauties are endless, and the happiness that springs daily in the heart of the devoted servant of the Cosmic God is measureless, infinite, and seemingly without beginning or end.

By what Path Must We Travel?

Every man's path is different; every man's goal is the same. The path the

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★ Shopping for Xmas

Mildred M. Hunt

UNLESS you have been quite positive in your Christmas hinting, you will receive gifts inspired by the sign and planet under which the giver was born. In no other way do the "star traits" reveal their never-failing influence to such a marked degree as in the selection of gifts. Without being fully aware of it, the giver usually follows his or her zodiacal tendencies in buying gifts for relatives or friends. This is particularly true of Christmas shopping.

For instance, if you have a relative or friend born under the sign of Libra, you may expect to receive a bottle of exquisite perfume or perhaps cosmetics, toilet articles or lace finery. From those born under the sign of Aries you are likely to be presented with earrings or other jewelry, a fireplace ornament, or even a gun!

Not only do the individual stars which rule birthdates decree the kind of Christmas gifts the natives will give, but the ruling planets of these signs also come in for their share of the inspiration. These ruling planets are the Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Neptune, Uranus and Pluto.

Aries (March 21st-April 19th) is the sign which rules the head. Gifts are often forthcoming from these natives in the form of combs or jeweled hair clips, or even binoculars. In presenting a gift to an Arian, a new hat or a certificate for one would be appropriate as these people are great hat wearers. The women of this sign, as well as the men, make an art of wearing a hat. These dashing natives never just slam on a hat. They place it on their heads at just the right angle that is not only suitable and pleasing to them but also to those who look their way. Did you ever notice the care Walter Winchell, an Arian, takes in adjusting his hat when he's in the midst of a newscast on TV? Perfume, earrings, unusual stationery, unique clocks, pocketbooks with roomy

compartments, are all gifts that should be appreciated by Aries natives.

Taurus (April 20th-May 20th) can generally be counted on to give gifts in blue or violet shades. These favorite colors seldom fail to catch the eye of a Taurus shopper. If jewelry is selected, you can be practically sure it will be a sapphire or turquoise. Since Venus, Goddess of love, beauty and peace, is their ruling planet, they have a strong inclination to present beautiful gifts. This sign rules the neck, so you can often expect them to give a necklace, scarf, furs, or a tie. Venus may prompt them to buy a lovely picture of flowers, sunshine and the bluest of skies, Dresden figurines, music boxes, choice recordings, or something for the garden. Taurus is an earth sign and those born under it are usually interested in the products of the earth. An outstanding example of this is Bing Crosby, who is a son of Taurus. For relaxation, he gladly deserts his world of syncopation and sophistication for a round of golf or a stay at his Nevada ranch. There isn't anything else that relaxes a Taurus person more than to get close to nature and the good earth—and I mean good earth—for it's very good to them.

Gemini (May 21st-June 21st) are likely to present books, running from light fiction to travel, particularly about the remote spots of the world. Since this sign rules the hands and arms, gifts such as rings, bracelets, manicure sets, gloves, sewing outfits, typewriter, carving set, tennis racket, musical instrument, drums or even boxing gloves can be expected. Another gift angle is luggage. Since this sign is ruled by the wing-footed Mercury, symbol of travel, they like to select traveling equipment. Silver and the deeper shades of blue are their favorite colors and they usually follow these shades in gift selections.

Cancer (June 22nd-July 22nd) is more than apt to give gifts for the home

to their relatives and friends. The ruling planet of Cancer is the Moon, which governs women and the public. Not only are you likely to receive home gifts, but particularly gifts for the kitchen. These gifts could be dishes, cooking utensils, electrical appliances or brightly colored gadgets. This sign rules the chest and Cancer individuals are attracted to brooches, tie clasps or pins.

Another angle on the gift giver of this sign is that they like heirlooms and antiques. If they should present you with an old relic which has been in the family for a great number of years, rest assured you are not being passed over lightly. In fact, you are being honored because these old articles are dear to the heart of anyone born under Cancer. If you have a Cancer friend or relative on your Christmas list, just go over your old keepsakes and select the oldest one. Touch it up a bit and wrap it in the most Christmassy wrappings you can and it will bring a very merry Christmas.

Leo (July 23rd-August 23rd) won't let you by so easily. Neither will you receive gifts from him that even remotely border on relics or antiques. The sign of Leo is considered the king of the zodiac and is appropriately ruled by the golden Sun. They select their gifts with an eye to the best and take great care in making a selection. Since the color of gold and yellow naturally appeals to them, you can usually expect gifts in the jewelry line. They are attracted to gems like ruby, topaz or amber. In furs, they like golden tones, shading to brown. Also, fine-wearing apparel is another line of their choice. As this sign rules the heart, their gifts are wrapped in love and tied with a smile.

Virgo (August 24th-September 23rd) is apt to present books, stationery, a pen set, desk adornment or traveling equipment. This sign and Gemini are both ruled by Mercury, which is a symbol of the mind and of journeys. Individuals of these two signs are somewhat alike. They are keenly alert and could be called walking statisticians. Their agile minds have a way of tucking away facts which are never lost to them. Therefore, they dote on books giving facts, figures and exposing fraud. They also like to keep their friends and relatives abreast on this data and often present

books along this line. In selecting gifts for natives of this sign, do it with the greatest of care as they are apt to be more fastidious in regards to their belongings than others. Not only that, they take excellent care of their possessions. Both Virgo and Gemini individuals are not prone to make a show of their emotions. In showing their love, they often present gifts to make up for their lack in this respect.

Libra (September 24th-October 23rd) is another sign ruled by Venus. Natives of Libra and Taurus are alike in many respects. They aspire to beauty, love and peace. Since Libra rules the small part of the back, these natives like easy chairs that support the back. Many of them go in for painting, ceramics, or some phase of decorating. They like to select gifts along this line. Perfume and cosmetics as well as toilet articles will be among their gift selections. Belts are also preferred. These natives dislike in-harmony or confusion and strive to make their lives and other people's balance in all respects. When they present you with beautiful gifts, they are attempting to offset the darker side of life.

Scorpio (October 24th-November 22nd) individuals are fond of luxuries, sailing, fishing and swimming. This is one of our most outstanding out-of-doors signs. Some of our best swimmers were born under Scorpio. Florence Chadwick and Gertrude Ederle were both born under this sign. Added to this, they have keen, analytical minds and like mystery yarns. You may receive gifts from Scorpio that appeal to the senses, like exotic incense, liquor or rare wine, also fruit or candy. A bowl of tropical fish, swimming gear or a beautiful vase are Scorpio-type gifts. Dark red is the commanding color to these natives and they usually follow it in selecting gifts.

Sagittarius (November 23rd-December 21st) often prefers a gift of money or a check. Jupiter, the symbol of money and good fortune, is their ruling planet and they are apt to regard money as the best gift that can be given. Individuals of this sign are often found at the head of commercial organizations who make a practice of giving money or bonuses to employees at Christmas time. Perhaps it was someone under this sign who began this practice. Their favorite pastime is finding devices or methods for saving

time. In gifts, outside of money, they could be prompted to present an electric shaver, an electric dish-washer or other time-saving devices. Next to this they may give live animals as gifts, such as a dog, cat, bird, or horse.

Capricorn (December 22nd-January 19th) friends and relatives usually present, above all, practical gifts. This sign, ruled by the stern, wise old Saturn, tends to make these individuals down-to-earth in their ways. This is the sign in which we find the birthdates of many professional people, such as physicians, nurses, lawyers, and clergymen. They prefer gifts that are long-lasting and you can look for such things as tools, silver, metal utensils or kitchen-ware, mantle clocks, rugs, umbrellas, bibles, religious articles, door-knockers, footstools, wallets, pen-knives or saving bonds from these natives. The Capricorn giver, of either sex, seldom goes in for anything which cannot be put to good use. If an ornamental or frivolous type of gift is requested, they may obtain it for you but will present it with an air of "I can't figure out why you want a thing like that." This sign rules the knees and their colors run to dark green, black or brown.

Aquarius (January 20th-February 18th) select gifts after much thought and consideration. Under no other sign in the zodiac will you find the majority so bent on pleasing with just the right gift. Ruled by the powerful Uranus, symbol of the unexpected, you never can be sure of just what will catch the Aquarian fancy in gift buying. They are the type who do their Christmas shopping the year round. In fact, they seldom plan a shopping trip. They pick up gifts on trips, daily rounds or when they take a walk. These gifts they tuck away until it is time to present them. Unlike the Cancer native, the Aquarius person usually goes in for strictly modern gifts. The latest in anything appeals to him. When atomic cars are placed on the market, an Aquarian will probably be the first to buy one. This sign likes to present gifts made of richly colored material or brocaded cloth. Outside of air travel, he likes to sail a boat and has a deep urge to become a Viking and sail the seven seas. He may present gifts of ship models in the form of lamps or decorative objects. Nautical designs on almost anything have an appeal to him.

Pisces (February 19th-March 20th) are last but certainly not least in the heavenly pattern. This sign is at the top of the mythical zodiacal circle and is ruled by the visionary Neptune. When giving gifts, these dreamy, easy-going individuals like to delight with beauty of color. Dainty lace frills, shawls, pictures or an album of waltz music are often the gifts of Pisces. A beautiful scene or sentimental music can send them off into a round of dreams. A water sign, they also like to present bath salts, colorful bath towels or bathroom decoration. Other gifts appealing to them are a bouquet of flowers in delicate colors, book of romantic poems, or a pair of soft comfortable bedroom slippers. This sign rules the feet and these natives relax only when their feet are comfortable.

In many instances, gifts which are presented could be an indication of what the giver might like to receive, providing they are not following given instructions.

So, as you open your gifts beside your sparkling, yuletide tree and the air is filled with the joy of the Nativity of Christ, pause to note that with each gift you unwrap, the givers have given a wee part of themselves and an insight into their real selves.

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Above *and* Beyond

A Spiritual Expedition of Fantasy

Fenn Germer

IT was Christmas Eve, and rising late, I kissed my wife goodbye. Nothing strange in that, and yet. . . . Since an astronomer does not lead an emotional life, so to speak, this one touch of human love stood out in memory. It stood in contrast to the vast reaches of time, space and being that lay, unknown to me, like a map outstretched beyond that moment. Had I but known! For even an astronomer cannot kiss stars and atoms, though there seems to be love—or attraction at least—between even these cold entities of science.

But you who read this brief charting of that night, what would you care about all that? You will want to know what mysteries the Impersonal chose to unfold to me, John Brooker, a mere astronomer. Though ranked as professors, astronomers are among the humblest of men because of the majestic reaches of their nightly labors.

Of course, I speak for myself, and I'll be brief. There was the affectionate warm kiss from my faithful Marsha, the last human action I recall, then I was in the cold tower elevator, rising through the twinkling night air far above the twinkling white snows. The great telescope lay ready, right ascension and declination set upon the object for that night's study. In my blood tingled the season's cheer as I realized how the success of our new observations on planets of systems beyond our own would tip the balance in favor of our theories—those of my confreres and myself—beyond one single doubt. Tonight we humans would have positive proof of life on other planets. What a Christmas gift!

While two of my fellow-workers went below for hot cocoa and well-earned rest, I went up to the observing cage by way of the catwalk. My co-worker of the evening had not yet arrived. No doubt he was delayed decorating the Yule tree for his family of three. Unforgivable sin on

other nights, though—the stars also, wait for no man.

I reached for the controls, those electronic marvels of instant transmission, but drew back recalling they had been set from the duplicate board below. I peered into the eyepiece, weirdly shielded from the small pilot light. Strange indeed, how those stars were passing the great objective at such a steady rate. They should be still, I recall thinking. But the charm of Christmas Eve lay over all, and perhaps for a few minutes I was not an astronomer, always precise and fully awake. I looked again. Was someone at the controls below? Perhaps Ramer, my co-worker, had arrived and decided to look at some other luminary. I was about to call out over the intercom phone when it dawned on me that not only were the stars moving (I don't want to be sensational, for that is not the feeling I had). It was *natural*, in a way, eerie, just as things can be in the other-worldliness of the holiday times. But the cage, the telescope, the room, the whole observatory—all were moving!

As this realization dawned, I tried to feel if there were any vibration such as accompanies earthquakes. But the whole process was smooth, gentle as a zephyr. To be short, though we astronomers are accustomed to length in favor of accuracy, the declination and the right ascension axes of the 'scope were moving in a new, a different direction, and yes!—one at right angles to their accustomed paths. Then it struck me—I must be moving into the fourth dimension of space. What could have happened? Had there been some derangement of the mechanism of the sidereal clock? Looking back now, I'm still uncertain. . . .

But with the clarity of a mind trained for years to think in such fields, I grasped the situation at once. I seemed always to have known about this new direction *beyond*—length, width, height. Why, the

atoms merely revolved upon themselves; I must try this out in the laboratory some time. The impersonality ingrained by astronomical studies quickly enabled me to regain composure, my training as a scientist set me again upon the level of rational thought. Once more I reached for the controls. . . .

"You wish not to talk with me?" A vast musical voice from the aeons surrounded me, penetrated me, conveyed meanings instantly apart from words.

With a nonchalance that now seems daring, I inquired, "Who are you?" As I put my hand to my lips I noticed they did not move as I spoke. Was I dead? I wondered with panic, for if so my wife would be a widow.

"Fear not, thou livest!" my thoughts were at once answered. "Be patient, John. Thou shalt know all, yea more than most mortals. Am I yet nameless, though thou knowest my name?"

"Cryptograms," I remarked aloud, feeling very strange indeed. Perhaps some joker among the assistants was halloweening over the phone. As I reached for it to listen, of its own accord it moved beyond my reach.

"Play not, Man. This, sacred to me, is the Eve of Yieoul. Knowest thou not of my name in the books, Yew— I-A-O? Ah, well, not many know of me now. They slew those of my Gnostics who called me by name. Why, I never knew; they were gentle folk. Man puzzleth me."

I spoke up with a courage that surprises me now. "Yew, if that be your name, men puzzle me too. Don't they know the law of life: He who liveth by the sword shall"

"Ah, yes, John, he who liveth by the atomic bomb shall perish by the same—that is, they would, were I unforgiving and lacked human understanding. Thou knowest I lost my only son. . . ."

"In the last war?" I wondered aloud. "Who art thou?" The archaic words seemed natural.

"John, my friend, must we go into that again? Let it suffice that we be together and can speak thus across space and time. Not yet am I with you in fullness, for ye are yet a while in blind growth. Have patience, wait, and show thy fellowmen loving-kindness, and what thou seekest in thy heart shall be anon."

"You are very moralistic," I said, thinking it time to take a firmer stand.

"Isn't that somewhat out of date?"

From afar I sensed a feeling of warm delight. "How like Moses thou art! A straightforward man I love. Yes, morals apparently are out of date — that Mr. Kinsey! A Prince I know is waiting to interview *him*—but mind you, only because ye mortals ken not rightly. While ye could create a single beauty of delight, men prefer, it seems, the robe of scarlet. Well, there is space, yea, space-time enough."

I felt it meet to have an understanding at this point. "Where are you taking my telescope and me, Mr. Yew? I must work hard tonight, for tomorrow young Ramer and I are to give to the world the knowledge that it is not alone in space, but that others like us inhabit the distant worlds."

"Ah, how naive!" Again that strong feeling from afar, now of delight and subtle humor. "Incredible that men really believe they, as a race, are the pinnacle of creation! Since it is nearly two thousand years since last I spoke with men directly, surely they have now grown out of such a belief. But thought-words are so slow: *Behold!*"

With a sudden realization of the might of the Being who addressed me thus intimately out of dark space, I became aware of what he was saying. Into my ken swam a symphony of glows and counter glows, waste continents and ordered civilizations. Not with my eyes alone did I see, all about me the panorama of lives engrossed my wonderment. Secretly I had always believed in life on other planets. Here, by some miracle, it was extended all about me.

"Ye see without fear. That is well," my mentor commented from his invisible post. As the pictures faded, I began to wonder. What had he meant, *two thousand years ago*? Was he perchance, the Wandering Jew of legend, or some ancient Prophet speaking from a grave by magic? But we astronomers don't believe in magic—or do we? What flings the planets around their delicately balanced orbits with perfect timing or adjustment? Gravitation, centrifugal force, centripetal energy, these are just words, not explanations. . . .

My friend continued. "Now, would you like to see my house?"

I nodded assent, wondering if I could be back in time for Christmas morning. In an instant I was in a Place Luminous.

Forgive me if I cannot make this clear in words, yet it was like a Greek Pantheon, lines and columns clear and simple, mostly pure white but occasionally bathed in the richest colors I had ever seen through the spectroscope, and some I hadn't. The pave below my feet was intricately interwoven. As I looked up from these designs I saw characters like living symbols gracing the several pillars. Above the great arched portal at one end of the temple, a sign like the Sun in its glory floated. Upon purple cloud at the opposite archway one like the Moon silverly gleamed upon a purple cloud. I realized then the other symbols were those of the planets.

"My friend," the voice began in another tone as of a teacher, "Few from your realm have ventured into my home, though many be welcome. I have known you since your birth, and before, through lives you have forgotten. I watched and guided you through those long mysterious nights whose thrall led you into *Astronomia*. You know me well, when you do not circumscribe. The Impersonal cannot be bound by mortal, but by sacrifice alone."

"These signs you see here are my offspring. Physically you know them as the Planets, but they are more, much more. We have all wished you here to initiate you into our Mystery, so that Man may not be without a prophet, a Word to guide him in the mazes of Science."

Then the Voice spoke names such as dimly stirred in memory: *Khonbal*, *Chosi*, *Rorimuth*, *Munikhunaphor*, all sounds like music to my ears. With a start I realized I was being introduced to noble lords and ladies, the Perfect Ones of the Heavens.

"Watch!" The firmness of this command I did not even wish to disobey. "For but once can this mystery be displayed to Man."

As I looked on, the symbols began a circling movement so gently, so steadily, hardly did I know it had begun. First the one I knew as Mercury. Then the beautiful *Chosi*, and fiery Mars, and Zeus the Mighty with his many Moons. I shall not detail them, nor their splendors, for who will may see the heavens. Yet here as I watched their lives unfolded as at a Court, graceful powerful beings who lived in perfection before the Almighty. . .

That was the solution to this strange happening! I was in the House of the Almighty. I strove to realize this, but could not. But then a practical matter engaged my attention.

"My Lord," I called, "Whosoever thou beest, how cometh this that thy Servants round in circles? On earth we see these paths as elliptical."

"Well said, Man!" the answer came, again with that warm feeling of humor. "Thou seest well. But now, that the Creator evolves in perfection so thus in Heaven orbits are in the circles of perfection, having but one diameter, and not in ellipses, which have two. On earth thou seest at an angle in time, thinking thy world as with three dimensions. Yet it doth have four. Thereby in four, by changing the angle of perception, these planetary paths are seen as perfect circles, though warped to you in time. And I would that you bring my message to Man. Say, the Living One declareth that sidereal paths are perfect: come thou, my beloved, from thine illusions to dwell in eternal time."

Of a sudden I recalled the Keplerian Laws of Planetary Orbits. Each planet must by natural law return to its appointed position in an exact period precisely to the instant, even over long durations. For if but a moment late it must gather speed to overtake time itself. Now I saw that actually in space-time the Planets rotate at an even speed in circles, but that the warp of time reveals to us only the shadows of these circles—which are, of course, elliptical. Perfectly this explained why planets returned at the exact moment.

I knew now with Whom I spoke, the name of my Visitor from Space. "No Man hath seen God at any time" coursed through my brain as an echo. And I would have trembled, but all fear was absent from this Place. Without abashment I knelt and bowed my head. To my amazement, sight became clearer than ever. Again I felt the mood of warm humor about me, even the Planetary Spirits in their courtly orbitary dances were smiling whimsically at me. Was prayer, too, out of date? "But then, face to face, as through a glass darkly, transfigured from glory unto glory in His image."

"Lo!" The Voice rang out in brief command like a bolt. For an instant light-

ning seemed to flash to the six—no, the eight cardinal points. But all was still. So still. What, not even the Planets were moving? I lifted my arm to rise but could not even move it. Experiment soon showed I could not move at all, yet perception was unabated. With a clarity unmatched by man's microscopes and telescopes, I could see with full understanding the great and small lives in myriads above me and below. It seemed as though for a space I rested. . . .

Again the Voice was with me. . . . "In the twinkling of an eye art Thou beside me!" I'll interpret what it said as best I'm able.

"In this state near to the Eternal thou art as though frozen, bestilled in time, crucified upon space. Without humor thou wouldst be lost, for alone can it save thee from the hardness of clear cold being. Therefore I speak with thee betimes in jest, give thee the warmth of human life, bless thy sacrifices and thy loves. So now, wouldst thou arise, know thy condition. Thou art as it were between the moments of time, even though it still endures. Thus, to accomplish movement here, think it but lightly."

Of an instant I understood. With remarkable liveliness my mind leapt through a complicated process in an instant, and my head rose. Did I hear a gentle laughter? I tried again, and my arms extended of themselves. With this effortlessness of action a feeling of rejoicing came over me.

"As now, so shalt thou be when experience becomes perfection," the Voice averred.

I tried with my nether limbs, and rose, in fact I shot up. Power here apparently grew with every effort. A few more cautious experiments with my newfound power of thought and I had gained perfect balance in this extensive new world. Yet all still hung about me as though stilled forever. Almost I felt loneliness, only the Presence about me spared me this pang.

"Now," said the Voice, "think out an entire series of actions culminating in a result akin to perfection." To my surprise I sped through space like a lightning flash, unimpeded by any obstacle or thing. Like light playing through water I cavorted among planets and stars. Then I noticed that all things had begun slowly to move again. With a will I entered into

their ceaseless dance, apart yet of them now. With my new power I created events. Comets arrived; they fled. Ships of space grew, conquered, gave way. Being spread from star to star.

There was the Moon, cold uninhabited planet far below me. But as I looked the impulse of the Instant Within caused life. It burgeoned, and the Moon grew fertile, kine appeared, mountainous crags embraced waterfalls. Then Man—or was it Woman?—wandered carefree over this land of promise, love grew there but without an object. Only the stars above, the moon beneath, shared the affections of these lovely creatures. Of a sudden a shadow on the land! A gleaming arrow from space. A man . . . love of persons . . . children . . . civilization . . .

As I was wondering were it possible to stop the spate of events created in the instant before the space-destroyer ship appeared, I heard a voice right beside me. Was it a human voice? Someone praying to me, perhaps, the author of all the coming misery of atomic destruction . . . if I had only not *thought* that thought. But no, this had a most familiar sound. Who?

"Oh, why must Man create imperfect thoughts?" it almost wept, and yet there was a saving note of humor. I looked up, and there was my comrade of the telescope, Ramer, far away and smaller than a mouse.

"Let me ask *you* that, old friend," he said. "What are you doing looking down the wrong end of the telescope?"

"It must have been that microscope of Time," I muttered dazedly. He was right! There I stood in the observing cage before the vast quartz objective, while the multiple ultraviolet-converting eyepiece stared through the dome slit straight at Ramer on the balcony outside. All the machinery now seemed topsy-turvy.

"What has happened?" I called out. "Things were never like this before."

"Maybe you can explain it," Ramer replied. "I arrived here at the exact time, but couldn't enter the building. I climbed up the steel ladder outside. I peered through the slit, only to see you looking at me through the wrong end. How you ever got the machinery so mixed up I can't imagine—it looks impossible."

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Tips to Teen-Agers on Romance!

Cullen Moore

How to treat a Doll!

Aries: The gayest sort of companion, but don't order her around! She is ardent and warm under that demure smile. She won't pry or "mind-read" your emotions.

Taurus: Poised and calm on the surface, but gets her own way through the great art of "passive resistance." Kind disposition.

Gemini: She will always catch up with you. Quick in her reactions and reflexes. Friendly, but may change her mind tomorrow.

Cancer: Warm and tender, once in love, but reserved and afraid of her own emotions until certain of love. Flatter her.

Leo: Affectionate. Plenty of fire, but must be petted and appreciated. Sulks when angry. Makes a wonderful confidante.

Virgo: Playful on the surface, but cautious. Has to be swept off her feet. Even then, you mean less than you think you do to her!

Libra: Never unreasonable. Friendly. Often attracted to dynamic, talented, or "different" men. She tries to please you. Sometimes timid.

Scorpio: Energetic, ardent, but sometimes attracted to those who make her "suffer" in some way. Secretive but loyal.

Sagittarius: Passionate and intense, but loses interest when bored. Attracted to brilliant, "difficult" types. Tolerant and gay.

Capricorn: Obliging and realistic. Usually attracted to boys who seem serious in their ideals. Thoughtful of details. Helpful. She can understand your "moods," but won't forgive ingratitude.

Aquarius: Provocative, seldom the same. Don't be too sure her heart is broken. Trustworthy when deeply in love. Companionable.

Pisces: Tries to "understand" you. Tell her a sob story and take her out alone rather than in groups. Emotional, feminine, changeable.

How to treat a Guy!

Aries: Regardless of how shy he appears, in his heart he wants a girl who makes him feel adventurous, gay, "different" from other boys. Don't try to nag or "boss him."

Taurus: May be difficult to extricate from his *past*, whatever it may have been. Once convinced of your loyalty and affectionate concern, he is usually faithful, even if stubborn.

Gemini: Is restless, inquisitive, likes to answer *your* questions. Is unpredictable but usually falls for romantic, soft-spoken girls who adore him but can keep him guessing.

Cancer: Don't try to make him overspend. Secretly dislikes girls with loud speech, flippant manners. Wants to be assured verbally of your esteem. Admires delicacy of taste.

Leo: You won't have to do a thing except be around at the right time to approve and listen. Laugh with him and don't let him see you are jealous of other admirers.

Virgo: Be neat, no frills, but use subtle perfume. Let his family and friends think you are so good for him. He is influenced by what others think of you. Help him trust himself.

Libra: Can change his mind tomorrow. If you want a commitment, better get it while he's in the mood . . . moonlight, music, good food, elusive kisses, not clingy ones. He is fastidious.

Scorpio: He may not let you know what he's thinking but he loves your admiring him openly. Build him up in front of others. Don't tease him. He is passionate and suspicious.

Sagittarius: Means his promises but just can't keep them all. He's one you can tease a bit. Let him reform or change you. Flirt with him—he likes it. Keep on the go with him.

Capricorn: Underneath his party personality, he often has gloomy thoughts. Encourage and cheer him. Take him seriously and never ridicule him. Help him plan for the future.

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SAGITTARIUS

Degree-areas

Influence of Fixed Stars on concentrated Degree-areas

Sagittarius-Gemini 6°-7°

CONTINUING our studies of the degree-areas, Sagittarius has some very interesting ones. Natives with the Sun, Ascendant or important planets situated in the degree-area of Sagittarius-Gemini 6°-7° are often given to morbid fears. If a child is frightened of a dog barking at him, that is a natural fear; but if he is frightened that a bogeyman under the bed will catch his feet as he gets out, that is a morbid fear.

People with this degree-area strongly tenanted are often afraid that they will develop some incurable disease, or become insane, or blind, or lose all their money. These are real fears because they believe them, but usually there is no truth in them, although they may fear them to such an extent that they create the very things of which they are afraid.

Parents who have children with this degree-area dominant should be very careful to uncover these fears while they are young, not laughing at them but treating them understandingly and explaining them away. The children should be allowed to have the bedroom door open and to have a night light if necessary.

The reason many children like to take their dolls or teddy bears to bed with them is because of the feeling of protection these toys give to them—the comfort of not being alone in the dark. God and Guardian Angels seem much nearer when they have something concrete to hold.

Some authorities believed these fears may have been implanted in the children prenatally, and this makes them very difficult to eradicate. For instance claustrophobia, or the fear of being shut in, is often caused by a difficult birth, engendering a fear that they are imprisoned and must get out at all costs. These early sensations are none the less strong because the child has no conscious memory of them. The fear of thunder is nearly always passed on to the child through the mother.

Vernita Churchill

This degree-area, Sagittarius-Gemini 6°-7°, has not only to do with fears but also with delusions of all kinds.

With the *Sun* here and afflicted, the native may have an inflated idea of his birth or position in life, and be one of those people who are always telling of his noble ancestry.

With the *Moon* it often gives an inflated ego, or with *Mercury* it may give a belief in a superior mind, whether true or not.

With *Venus*, it may give a belief that one is irresistible in love affairs.

With *Mars*, the native often believes that he is stronger than he is, and consequently overtaxes his strength.

With *Jupiter*, this area gives an inordinate belief in luck, which, however, often lets the native down. This native may be an inveterate gambler, firmly convinced that next time his luck will turn.

With *Uranus* this latter is especially true. The native may be obsessed with the idea that he is going to win a fortune in a moment, and nothing can convince him otherwise. He is usually due for disappointment.

With *Neptune*, the native may suffer from delusions of all kinds—from suspicions to a persecution mania. He is often sure that someone has meant to slight him or, again, that another has acted towards him from an ulterior motive. He may find it impossible to accept a simple statement, but is apt to twist and turn it in his mind until he has made it into something that the speaker never remotely intended. If unchecked, this tendency can be extremely dangerous.

This degree-area, Sagittarius-Gemini 6°-7°, is also connected with pneumonia and heart troubles. Dancers often have it prominent, but in Sagittarius rather than Gemini. Both signs are noted for agility and quickness of movement, but Sagittarius is connected with the legs and Gemini with the arms and hands. Sun or

Mars in this degree-area favors dancing.

Antares, a first magnitude fixed star, is near here in longitude Sagittarius 8°. It has a Mars-Jupiter influence. It was one of the four royal stars of Persia in 3000 B.C. and marked the Autumnal Equinox. It was called by the beautiful name of "The Watcher of the West."

Antares in this degree-area is often connected with fatality and violence, but if culminating it bestows honor, preferment and good fortune, which, however, may not prove lasting. It is often found prominent in the maps of conquerors and despots, but the influence is apt to be too strong for ordinary mortals and may affect them rather adversely.

When this degree-area is occupied by Venus, Mars or Saturn, the natives frequently have the ability to become sculptors.

Sagittarius-Gemini 21°

Another interesting degree-area is that of Sagittarius-Gemini 21°. This seems to be in some way inimical to marriage. Either the native does not marry because he has an antipathy towards marriage and is quite happy to remain single, or he renounces marriage altogether, as is the case, for example, with Roman Catholic priests, or monks and nuns. Or it may be that some tragedy intervenes to prevent marriage, or that the loved one goes away. If he does marry, then it is seldom a happy union and usually does not last long.

Raselhague is situated in the same longitude, with an influence of Saturn-Venus. It seems to bestow misfortune through people of the opposite sex.

With *Sun* or *Jupiter*, the native will probably prefer not to marry.

With *Moon* or *Mars* it usually brings many troubles and much inharmony in marriage.

With *Mercury*, difficulties in marriage and quarrels fostered by others are apt to arise.

With *Venus*, great charm, but domestic troubles are probable.

With *Saturn*, the native might be hindered from marrying, and jealousy might play a prominent part in preventing marriage.

With *Uranus*, marriage would likely be broken up.

With *Neptune*, there might be treachery or disillusionment on the part of the marriage partner.

This degree-area (Sagittarius-Gemini 21°) is also associated with speech, and the native with afflictions to it often suffers from some impediment in the speech, such as stammering, et cetera.

It must always be borne in mind that trouble affects the natives of the various signs differently. Sagittarius is a fire sign and has a very buoyant nature, so that afflictions will not lie so heavily upon the Sagittarian as they would upon a native of Taurus or Scorpio. Disasters that would appear to be enormous to Cancer or Pisces will slide off the back of the native of Sagittarius, Aries or Gemini with the minimum of sorrow or concern. These signs are resilient and can adjust themselves, whereas the fixed signs are more easily felled to earth, and the water signs, being emotional, feel things very deeply.

The degree-area at the end of Sagittarius (and indeed at the end of all the mutable signs) may affect the lungs and has some connection with consumption and tuberculosis. People with this degree-area prominent need considerable building up when they are young, but if they have a good strong Sun, Jupiter or Mars, they are likely to outgrow any delicacy.

The degree-area of Sagittarius-Gemini 25° is connected with neurasthenia and the natives with afflictions to planets therein often suffer from nervous disorders, especially if Mercury or Uranus be posited therein. The trouble may sometimes be traced to glandular deficiency.

The degree-area of Sagittarius-Gemini 3° gives precision and the ability to do minute work, where extreme accuracy is needed, such as is the case with opticians, watch-makers, engravers and miniature painters. If well aspected, this area bestows success in any of these occupations.

Tips to Teen-Agers on Romance

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Aquarius: Never try to form a routine pattern for him to follow. Help him entertain and make friends. Allow no jealousy or possessive suggestions to show. Give him plenty of rope . . . and he'll be back at your door.

Pisces: Better leave this one alone unless you're experienced! He's dynamite under that surface calm. Always curious about the bait but seldom swallows it. Better as a "pal."

Many Things

"The time has come," the Walrus said,
 'To talk of many things;
 Of shoes and ships and sealing wax
 And cabbages and kings.'"

Blessings

It is with deep humility that Paul G. Clancy wishes me to try to tell you of his deep appreciation for the countless inspiring letters that have been pouring in to wish him the best that can be had from life—his health restored.

If I had the time, I would like to answer each one personally for him as he is unable to do so at the present. As it is, each afternoon I stop at the hospital on my way home and read him his mail. To say that he is deeply moved is an understatement. From loyal readers who have become more than readers during the years, to the personal friends of long standing come the many lovely cards and letters.

These, to me, are like a "Prayer Chain." Each a divine Blessing, linking one to the other with every connecting message strengthening all Prayer, which will surely heal in time.

Mrs. Cedric Lemont has also asked me to relay her husband's thanks to all you good people who have taken the time to write to him. Mrs. Lemont, like myself, would love to answer individually but finds it impossible due to the amount of mail which has come in.

Mrs. Joanne S. Clancy
 (Oct. 15, 1953)

Correction, please!

Sept. 16, 1953

Tampa, Fla.

On page 24 of the October issue of American Astrology appears an error which is a bit amusing, and yet in fairness to the gentleman mentioned rather requires an apology; I mean of course, the phrase "according to Maurice." This may have been typographical, but it is more likely that my frightful typescript was to blame.

I would appreciate your mentioning to the readers that the gentleman is Maurice Grosser, whom I have never met, and certainly would not presume to address by his given name.

His book, incidentally, is splendid and amusing.

Thanks to the gentleman who provided the information about the original Pan articles; he was correct—I did not have the information. My own file of American Astrology was destroyed a while ago in a minor calamity.

Van Ingersoll Allen
COMMENT: Our apologies also to Maurice Grosser. Sometimes these errors do get by our proof readers. In this case they did not check back to Mr. Allen's original manuscript which contained Mr. Grosser's full name.

Cosmic Radiation

May 17, 1953

Sunday Hindusthan Standard, India

Scientific experiments conducted in many countries have revealed that cosmic rays may directly affect the life of an individual from the moment of birth. Referring to the experiments with Meson particles which bombarded the world in a non-stop storm, Dr. J. Gordon Cook observes that today scientists think cosmic rays are responsible for hereditary changes in human beings. It is known that atomic radiation can bring about such changes in the human body. They can affect mutation—the hereditary upsets that make children different from their parents. The power, penetration and speed of cosmic rays are of such intensity that they could well be the practical explanation of the "occult" influences on human personality. Astrologers contend that when a person is born, his life is conditioned by configuration of the heavens at the moment of birth. If, at the moment of birth, the individual is exposed to the influences of cosmic radiation that would affect the development of his personality, this would provide the scientific basis for the ancient belief that the stars exercise powerful influence on human affairs. The complicated science of astrology (of which Varaha Mihira was a great exponent), formulated thousands of years ago—it seems reasonable to conclude—was based on the researches

of scientific minds of past civilizations who knew of nuclear fission.

Speaking of the belief in the influence of stars on human affairs, it is interesting to read the recent scientific findings of the famous sun-spot expert, John H. Nelson. He offers startling evidence that the position of the planets—Saturn and Jupiter in particular—also plays a big part in causing magnetic storms. Scientists have been agreed for years that solar disturbances cause magnetic storms on earth—storms that cause a blackout of communications and severely affect the progress of military action. Indeed, it has also been observed that human emotions are seriously affected by these phenomena. Nelson, using his new discoveries, can predict with 85 per cent accuracy the approach of magnetic storms for two years. His work lends support to other investigators who have believed the positions of the planets may have had something to do with sun-spot activity. Nelson's conclusions which were the result of nearly five years of research on radio-wave behavior in relation to sun-spots and the movement of the planets are: (a) that when two or more planets are at right angles to each other, or in line on the same side of the sun between them,—magnetic disturbances occur more frequently on the earth's surface, (b) that the most disturbed 12 months period will be those preceding and following the positioning of Saturn and Jupiter in such a configuration with relation to the sun, (c) that the most severe disturbances occur when Mars, Venus, Mercury and the Earth are in critical relationship near points of the Saturn-Jupiter configuration, (d) that when Saturn and Jupiter have moved away from their critical relationships, there is a corresponding decline in the severity of magnetic weather, though storms of shorter duration result from the critical combinations of smaller planets and (e) that the least disturbed periods occur when Saturn and Jupiter and Mars are equally spaced by 120 degrees.

The influence of the moon on men was known to our ancients. The old-time theories are based on sound scientific principles. Although the moon is infinitesimally small in comparison with other bodies and has no effect of its own but shines with the reflected radiance of the

Sun, it has a vital function of precipitating conditions upon the earth. Yet, research points to the conclusion that the moon's travel through the zodiac, requiring 27 days, 7 hours and 43 minutes, and the aspects it casts with other planets and the signs it inhabits during this period, regulate the everyday minor events in the experience of earth-dwellers. Again, the moon's gravitational pull regulates the rise and fall of the tides of the sea. Since man's body is predominately composed of water, it is logical to suppose that he is affected by the influence of the moon in major degree.

Does the full moon have influence on some people as is generally believed since ancient time? The word "lunatic" (meaning "moon-struck") originated thousands of years ago. This suggests that men long ago noticed a connection between the moon and mental instability. A psychiatrist noted recently that sleep-walking is more common and patients in mental hospitals are more restless at the time of the full moon and suggests that the moon may affect us through the vital fluids in our bodies. A doctor has made a strange discovery that more babies are born at the time of the full moon than at any other time. He investigated 25,000 cases. Then again, a French criminologist has produced statistics to show that apparently motiveless murders, attacks and crimes of all kinds, rose and fell in a 28-day cycle corresponding to the phases of the moon. He says that a certain number of men and women, delicately balanced mentally, were liable to "go over the edge" at the time of the full moon. All these scientific observations were known to the ancients, but their scientific validity was doubted by the modern man.

COMMENT: This most instructive item was brought to our attention by M. H. of Los Angeles, California.

Teen-Agers' Year Ahead—

We feel that our younger Teen-Age generation of potential law-makers and leaders of the future has been sorely neglected.

Starting with this issue interpolated in the Sagittarius' Year Ahead and to be continued as a regular feature each month, you Teen-agers will be delighted to learn that you too now will have the trends and indications of the year ahead—especially for you!

All parents should also derive great benefit through this added medium of understanding of their young "Grown-Ups."

Prediction

July 20, 1953

N. Y. Journal American
E. V. Durling

After a long and detailed study of the horoscope of all the managers of both major baseball leagues, a stargazer named Mather White predicts the Yankees and Dodgers will win the pennants in their respective leagues. Also that the Yankees will win the World Series. I am willing to wager this stargazer one box of fine Havana cigars his prediction will prove wrong.

No comment necessary! The above article referred to was entitled 1953 *World Series*, written May 27, 1953 by Mather White, and published in the August issue of *American Astrology*.

Part of Fortune

Sept. 20, 1953

Los Angeles, Calif.

May we as beginners in astrology have the answer, in your pages, to a problem we are not sure of, so that we and other students may read it.

Have searched available publications but find no department of this nature.

Problem re Part of Fortune:

Asc. Gemini 17° 07' 3.17:07

Plus Moon in Taurus 7° 35' 2.07:35

5.24:42

Less Sun in Leo 21° 12' ... 5.21:12

0. 3:30

Query: Do we write this as Aries 3° 30'—or add a circle of 12 signs?

N. B.

COMMENT: In the first place the whole problem is incorrect and that is what brought about the confusion as to the position of Pars Fortuna derived from final calculations.

For instance, to begin with you have written Ascendant Gemini 17° 07'—3.17:07. Gemini is not 3 complete signs and 17° 07'. Beginning with Aries, we do not have one complete sign until 0° Taurus. Therefore the Ascendant Gemini 17° 07' is written 2.17:07. The problem then becomes:

Asc. Gemini 17° 07' 2.17:07

Plus Moon in Taurus 7° 35' 1.07:35

3.24:42

Less Sun in Leo 21° 12' 4.21:12

11.03:30

Since we cannot subtract 4 signs from 3 we then add 12 complete signs, so that the number we subtract from is 15.24:42. The position of your Pars Fortuna is Pisces 3° 30' (11 complete signs plus 3° 30').

If the answer to your problem actually was 0.3:30, the position of Pars Fortuna would then be Aries 3° 30' because it would not have been one complete sign.

I believe this answers your query as to when to add 12 complete signs.

Russian History

September 16, 1953

Paris, France

Will you kindly publish the following data which I should like to communicate to Rona de Thyge as well as your readers, on some added historical facts of Russia pertaining to Miss de Thyge's article, What Will Russia Do?, in your June issue? I consider it rather challenging for serious astrologers to do as much research as possible for technical basis of their prognostications, and hope the following will prove helpful.

The Nestorian Chronicle, to which Miss de Thyge refers, states that the Russian State's start coincides with the accession of Michel III as Emperor. The Byzantine Chronicles also state the same thing. Let us then say that Michel III became Emperor at the end of his mother's (Theodora's) regency, namely in 856.

Where the Kievan Chronicle runs wrong is in the timing of events for political reasons. It is obvious enough when one knows that the Kievan monasteries were ruled by Byzantine monks. The Russian State could not have existed politically before the conversion of his Prince to Christianity.

The trouble is that history has re-established the historical truth through researches which have been most intelligently led by specialists whose names are given below. Besides, most of the dates given by the Kievan Chronicles show the same discrepancy of six years, for the above-mentioned reason.

Rurik arrived in Novgorod in the spring of 856 and became the leader of the new state that very year, as established through Kievan and Byzantine Chronicles, cross-checked by Arab Chronicles.

Let us mention the reference works we have on that point.

First, Goloubinsky (Eugene) made a particular study of the Church's influence in Russia (the Kievan Chronicles were started in 1040).

About Rurik, the best works are those of Beliaev: Rorik of Jutland and Rurik of the Russian Chronicles Saga Book, London, 1929; and Frisia and its relations with England and the Baltic

littoral in the dark ages, *Brit. Arch. Assoc.* XXXVII, 1932.

Then, A. Stender Petersen's *Die Varaegersaga als Quelle der Alt-Russischen Chroniken*, Aarhus Univ. 1934; and M. de Taube's *Le prince Askold, les origines de l'Etat de Kiev et la premiere conversion des Russes*, Ed. du Cerf, Paris, 1947.

In England, the best work, to my knowledge, is Bernard Pares' *History of Russia*, London, 1926.

In USA, the best ones, to my knowledge, are Georges Vernadsky's *History of Russia* (Cambridge, Mass. 1929) and his *Ancient Russia* (Yale Univ. Press, 1943).

The preliminary work has been done by Serge Platonov who concentrated with unusual precision the essential points of Russian history. But one might refer as well to Constantin Bestoujev-Rumine (who is the last representative of Karamzine's school) and Alexis Chakhmatov's works.

The *Ancient Russia* of Vernadsky is the first of a series of ten books and deals with a period of time running from the beginnings up to 882.

These are the sources and we have seen previously what they say about Rurik and his accession's date to the leadership in Russia.

Astrology is not meant to be subjective discipline. It requires, as any other scientific study, objective basis. There is no way out of this situation which must have a reliable basis and enable astrology to be considered with a more favorable eye by people whose interest we aim to win.

Thank you for your attention and I hope I have been able to give some added data on the history of Russia. I feel it is necessary that your magazine should make the statement in *Many Things* as an informative supplement from Paris. Confraternally,

H. F. F.

COMMENT: The more information and sources astrologers have on which to base their prognostications, the more accurate are the results. Thank you, H.F.F., for adding to our knowledge.

Success Data

Sept. 11, 1953

Elkhart, Ind.

Replying to your comment on my letter in the October issue of *American*

Astrology in which you state that I failed to give more details, may I now add that I was born around 3 A.M., March 14, 1891, at Stockport, England? If this data would help your students, that's fine. Noted that on previous occasions your magazine mentioned that Pisces was suited to writers. Well, that part is O.K., because I have been writing now for over 33 years. My subjects are Numismatics and Philately. I have been radio broadcasting for 20 years. When I wrote that letter little did I think that it would be published or else I would have written in a more pleasant tone.

W. B.

COMMENT: Yes, W. B. probably enjoys a measure of success in his particular chosen field of endeavor. He happens to have the planet Jupiter (greater fortune) also in the sign Pisces in conjunction (wide orb) with the Sun and Mercury in the 2nd house of his chart. Mercury is ruler of the 6th and 7th houses. W. B. is owner of a Stamp and Coin Company.

To elaborate, Mercury as ruler of the 6th house has rulership over his service to the world. Stamps come under the rulership of Mercury; the Sun indicates rank or position; Jupiter gives the affluence or preferment in his chosen field.

Uranus in Scorpio is at the cusp of the tenth in opposition to Mars in Taurus in the 4th house; Mars rules the 3rd and is in square aspect to Venus in Aquarius in the 1st, showing the overwhelming desire for writing and radio in a perhaps even greater field of activity than that which he is now experiencing.

We are always pleased to receive constructive criticism from our readers. It is sometimes the letters that are written under strong feeling (and would not be penned otherwise) which bring the most benefit.

Sept. 16, 1953

Reading, Pa.

A bit of pique too, was my reaction when I read Vernita Churchill's article on Pisces and his occupation; but after considering I am ready to offer a reasonable explanation which may help W.B.

My birthday is March 1st, and I have had thirty-eight years of success in business; but my ascendant is Aquarius and Uranus is active in my 10th house. So I can readily understand my happy faculty to "leap to changes in the twinkling of an eye" is purely Uranus.

I am Aquarian from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and then I sink into my Piscean role after hours.

A. Y.

Twelve

CELESTIAL AGES

Wilhelm Kestranek

ABRAHAM LINCOLN, an Aquarian, by virtue of his background, may be regarded as the more single-hearted representative of the rising spirit of the new age. He was born in simple surroundings as the son of a day-laborer, and, to use Goethe's words, he "aspired unweariedly," and never wasted his strength on class-warfare. He epitomized the modern idea of human cooperation—an essentially noble manifestation of the spirit of Aquarius—in his address to a Committee of the Workingmen's Association of New York who had made him an honorary member when he said:

"The strongest bond of human sympathy, outside of the family relation, should be one uniting all working people of all nations and tongues and kindreds. Nor should this lead to a war upon property, or the owners of property. Property is the fruit of labor, property is desirable; it is a positive good in the world. That some should be rich shows that others may become rich, and hence is just encouragement to industry and enterprise. Let not him who is houseless pull down the house of another, but let him work diligently and build one for himself, thus by example assuring that his own shall be safe from violence when built."★

These are the words of a man who had outgrown the prejudices of both race and class. Yet in Europe Marxism preached the predominance of one favored class while national socialism preached the predominance of one favored race; and only within this one class, respectively within this one race, must the social or national dogma be realized. Whence these ideas?

The habit of setting up hard and fast rules of thought, so typical of the Age of Pisces, was still so deeply rooted within the minds of European men and women that they just could not think for themselves; they could but believe what they were told to believe. This is the reason why the pure and noble type of

Aquarian thought could take root much faster within the minds of the North American colonists who already had freed themselves from these intellectual shackles. The spirit of Aquarius began to manifest, in North America, even two years before the outbreak of the French Revolution, when the colonists shook off the Anglo-European rule and based their young state on a Constitution filled with this very spirit.

U. S. Horoscope

The horoscope of the United States bears the historical date: July 4, 1776, 2:16 a.m., Philadelphia. This was the time when the Declaration of Independence was decided upon by the Congress that had been in session all night from July 3rd to July 4th.

The first thing that strikes anyone who examines this chart is the fact that the Moon, placed in the Sign of Aquarius, was at a distance of less than 4° from the midheaven; it is thus elevated above all the planets and cannot but play a role of paramount importance. The Moon, as we know, symbolizes "the people;" being placed in the Sign of Aquarius makes it obvious that this chart mirrors an ideal form of democracy—a democracy in the truest sense of the word, meaning a state really ruled by the people; and it is easy to see that this rule serves the good of all since the Moon is in trine to both Mars and Saturn.

It looks as if the cosmic forces themselves had wanted to set a "practical example" for the benefit of astrologers when we see Uranus, the ruler of the dawning era—which was, only shortly after, discovered by astronomy—placed in conjunction with the ascendant of the chart. This position clearly defines the leading role to be played by the United States in the Age of Aquarius. The trine from Mars in the 1st house to Saturn and the Moon points to an exceptional longevity; it also shows that neither wars nor other political upheavals will ever

be able seriously to affect the United States. This trine is characteristic of a power that enjoys the highest possible degree of stability. And, since the trine is placed in the airy triangle, it also shows tremendous intellectual agility and versatility, in exact accordance with the American character.

The material riches with which the United States has been blessed is shown by the position of Venus, Jupiter and the Sun partly at the cusp, partly within the 2nd house. This constellation, truly an exceptionally fortunate one, allows us to predict, with certainty, that America will come triumphantly through the present conflict and will always show herself able to shoulder the burdens and to make the necessary material sacrifices shown in the chart by the square of Saturn to the Sun.

The foundation of the Union in May 1787 and the declaration about the rights of free men, the rejection of any distinction between the three classes of the nobility, the bourgeoisie and the peasantry marked the beginning of the age of democracy,* just as the encouragement given to free research work made the development of technical science, i.e., the practical application of science, possible.

The first man who attempted to introduce the ideals of the New World into Europe was the Marquis de Lafayette. Himself a fighter for liberty and George Washington's close friend, he was, after his return to France, elected a member of the French Assembly of Notables where he made his famous declaration about human rights according to the example set by the United States. He personally took part in the French Revolution; but he failed to secure freedom for tolerant and really democratic thought; he could not stop Europe from starting on the course that led from one extreme to the other. Even in our own generation we have, in Europe, witnessed and still are witnessing the development of political creations which are nothing but a caricature of the new spirit and are based on a complete distortion of its most fundamental principles. The notable ideal of equality has degenerated into equalization and collectivization. The result was and is a soul-destroying uniformity. Na-

tional and social principles have taken on the shape of organizations constructed in that spirit of rigid dogmatism which has survived the Age of Pisces. Thus, for example, Hegelian philosophy has been taken as basis for the so-called "dialectic materialism," a slogan of tremendous importance to every genuine communist, the dictates of which he blindly accepts.

Looking within Europe for a finer form of social structure, one that perhaps approaches the desired social and political order of the future, we find it in a small state organized according to the federal principle: Switzerland. This tiny country whose political organization closely resembles that of the United States sets an example for the whole of Europe. A state in which Germans, Frenchmen and Italians peacefully dwell beside one another, each group keeping up its individual culture, may well be looked upon as the blueprint not only for a European federation, but perhaps even for that world-federation which the spirit of Aquarius aspires to and which will, in the long run, become a reality, since Libra is placed above the 8th house of our age. Justice for all, a just peace between the nations that might lead us all to lasting harmony—that is the innermost wish, the deepest longing of the humanity of our time. Yet this ideal condition cannot be brought about by purely peaceful means. It will have to be bought at the price of struggles and combats; for Uranus, the planet of revolution and upheaval, rules the 1st house of our time; and war-like Mars, as ruler of the sign of Scorpio, rules our 10th house. These configurations show the magnitude of the world wars and revolutions that we have lived through and, in part, are living through even now.

While in former ages individual rulers and the nations they led would go to war against one another either for religious motives, or out of sheer lust for conquest, the struggles of our own time are caused by problems that concern the whole of humanity. Man, in the Age of Aquarius, no longer goes to war for the sake of religious principles or worldly riches: he goes to war, however paradox it may sound, for the sake of peace; what he now aims at is a great organization for the peace of the world.

The United States of America ex-

* This distinction has been an age-old institution in Europe.

emphasizes the magnitude of the power that can be gained by union and unity. Europe has not yet reached this goal, the "United States of Europe" still is a dream. It is true that both Napoleon and Hitler have tried to make it a reality; yet a lasting domination by either of these men would have led, in the one case, to a French-dominated, in the other to a Prussianized Europe. The League of Nations has shown itself incapable of creating this unity.

Atomic Power

As the U.N.O. stands today it is divided into two blocks each of which has achieved a certain unity within its own ranks; but the two groups are hostile to one another. Yet that synthesis, that unity of a world rising anew from the ruins of past periods which is the true aim of the spirit of Aquarius, already is within sight in spite of the hostility that still dims it before our eyes. We are now living through this process. The atom bomb, made of Uranium, is one of the symbols of this truly Uranian age. Let us remember that atomic power is not only a means and symbol of explosive destruction: it also is the means and symbol of sudden renewal.

Uranus' explosive power does not, however, stop at shaking the foundations of the human community, starting by family life and married life and finally revolutionizing national life: Uranus also holds sway over the creative work of Man. And there are times when it seems as if the whole of nature, nay even our planet, might be shaken when one watches the earthquakes and other cataclysms of nature occurring all over our world. It is true, of course, that similar catastrophes also occurred in former ages; yet they are noticeably increasing. American and British scientists believe these catastrophes to be caused by the highly compressed gasses within the earth. The Peruvian physicist Carto Dorugu gives the following explanation: "The cooling-down of the planet Earth naturally leads to a thickening of the Earth's crust—that egg-shell upon which we live. While, up to this day, this crust still was sufficiently thin and porous to allow the compressed incandescent gases to escape without much difficulty, the crust, owing to the process of thickening, now offers an increasingly impenetrable resistance. It is not impossible

that a critical phase in the process of cooling has begun in our own century. If this were true, the liquid incandescent matter necessarily would be in a constant state of turmoil in consequence of the increased pressure from without; this would cause it to seek escape by exercising increased counter-pressure. One might also say that at some points where the Earth's crust is thinner than elsewhere a wave of explosive gases generated by violent elemental forces thrust up from the Earth's interior to its surface would cause more or less violent upheavals and commotions on our 'egg-shell.'"

Let us not, however, fall into an eschatological mood. The imminence of the Last Judgment has been quite frequently predicted—especially round the year 1000 A.D.—on the strength of passages in the Gospels and in Revelations. But we do find among the prophecies of Nostradamus—which, so far, have nearly always come true—the following lines in the 10th century, quatrain 72:

"In the year 1999 in the seventh month
A great king of frightfulness will
come from the skies."

These lines would point to July of the year in question. It is a fact that Europe will have a total eclipse of the Moon on July 18, 1999 and a total eclipse of the Sun on August 11, 1999.

Yet whether or not there really will be some gigantic catastrophe at the close of this 20th century, whether or not it will be caused by Man himself—those of us who, like myself, belong to the older generation will not live to see it though our children and grandchildren may. Whatever the future holds: the event Nostradamus prophesies would make our world power poorer, much poorer even—but it could not actually bring about the end of the human race. Nostradamus has limited his predictions to Europe, Africa and some parts of Asia. The survivors would achieve a fullness of cognition and knowledge inconceivable in our day.

The Man of the coming age will be keener of hearing, he will experience a fresh influx of energies. Maybe the Golden Age will then begin, maybe the precession of the equinox will be reversed owing to terrestrial, planetary or even extra-planetary causes. If so, could such an event be precipitated by an atom bomb made by human hands? This we

do not know and it would be idle speculation to rack our brain about it. Nuclear reactions have, however, shown the gigantic energies with which even the smallest particles of our universe are filled. Einstein, the scientist and philosopher, has not only given us a new physical concept by way of his formula: $e=mc^2$; he also has given us a new religious concept of the world. The Law of Energy which is, in our time, often regarded as physical proof of God's existence has given formerly undreamed-of possibilities to the spirit of Man.

It may be said with certainty, even now, on the basis of zodiacal typology that the man of science represents the purest expression of Aquarian spirit. The spirit of the Age of Pisces was epitomized in the words: Faith and Endurance. In the Age of Aquarius the words are: Study and Knowledge. Theology is our spiritual past; science our future. The scientist will take the place of the theologian trained in church-lore, he will be the high-priest who shapes our concept of the world; he will act as mediator between us and the universe and has, in fact, already begun to act as such. It may depend on him whether our world shall be destroyed or rebuilt—and this is also the reason why the forces that rule our 3rd house are making such efforts to get him into their power.

God of the Future

Our era will have God—the God that men are hoping for: Jupiter is the ruler of the 11th house. We shall not give up the cognition of God already gained in past eras—we shall verify and complete our concept of divinity. We shall not be content to believe in God: we shall *know* God. Astrology will aid us in expanding our idea of the universe and it may be said, with certainty, that this age will see the dream of all astrologers come true: for the time is fast approaching when astrology will be recognized as a science and be taught in colleges. Uranus is, as we all know, the planet of astrology.

Astronomers will add their efforts toward the completion of our knowledge and illuminate all corners of our planetary space. We already are indebted to them for the discovery of the planets Uranus, Neptune and Pluto in the short time from 1781 to 1930. The discoveries of astrophysics—that branch of science which acts as connecting link between

physics and astronomy—also have helped to complete our knowledge of the universe by leading us to the realization that the structure of the atom, the structure of a stellar body and even the structure of the galaxies all follow the same laws and that all are part of one whole.

And now, bearing in mind all we already have discussed, let us turn our attention to Aquarius' own symbol: we shall find that this sigil reveals Aquarius as the Sign of Man in his highest form as Spiritual Man and of the undulatory rhythm of oscillation energy that bears him along on his path. Never before has the picture presented by our world been so suddenly, so radically changed as it has in our own time. Nearly every object we touch or come in contact with, what we see and what we use, is a product of technical science based on scientific discoveries which nobody would have dreamed of a hundred years ago. The mental power of Man has crashed through its former boundaries with elemental power; and this development is nowhere near its end.

The epoch-making discoveries in the field of electricity became the first powerful incentive that started us on the road toward progress. The names of Galvani and Volta should be placed at the very head of the list of those who led the way. Galvani's famous experiment by which he became the discoverer of contact electricity coincides with the first year of the French Revolution—a fact which again corroborates our belief that the pioneering spirit of Aquarius manifested, simultaneously, in all directions and on several fields. Yet it was left to the sensational discoveries of Monsieur and Madame Curie to open that field of study of radiology which—anticipated by Newton's analysis of light and by spectral analysis—became the starting-point from which the path leads us straight to the symbol of Aquarius.

In this new age, Man has begun to investigate the rays of the Sun and all its creations, he has begun to study nature. Ever since the days of Goethe all the great spirits again have focused their interests on the phenomena of nature in accordance with Goethe's prophetic words that "He who keeps close to his mother, nature, may well discover a world in a stem-glass." We seek ever closer contact with nature, we worship the Sun and all

the forces that give strength and joy. And, since Sagittarius is placed above the 11th house of our era, we shall yet see those sports and games that have nature for their background bring about the brotherhood of men. We are again becoming aware of the value of personality and personal energy—a development that we owe to the position of Leo above our 7th house. The sign of Virgo had occupied this house in the preceding era.

Let us, for a moment, visualize that sweetly naive and delicate image of the virgin mother of God, so soul-stirring in its appeal, worshiped in the sombre halls and under the mystic vaults of the middle ages. There was hardly an artist during the Age of Pisces who did not do homage to the Madonna. The name of many a painter, first among them Raphael, has become immortal by the pictures he has given us of her. Her miraculous altars were centers of worship and played a predominant part in the life of those days.

The picture that now unrolls itself before our eyes is essentially different. The humanity of our era strives toward brightness, toward the sunlight. Man can no longer bear to live in sombre dwellings, he no longer wants to walk in the shade. Our houses, our play-grounds all breathe light, fresh air and sunshine. The study of radiology as well as radio-therapy are objects of the greatest attraction for the modern sun-worshippers of our time. Goethe, in the hour of his death was truly a prophet when he called out: "More light!"

The Wave—Aquarian Symbol

The symbol of Aquarius has placed its imprint upon our undulatory theory. Everywhere in the scientific field we are faced with the symbol of the wave; it does not merely dominate the undulatory theory of light but is also mirrored in the interference phenomenon of the water-waves. It can be traced just as easily in other fields of radiology as well as in the theory of high frequency.

We find this same symbol reflected in the rhythms of our music, in the periodical recurrence of similar events, nay, even in that recurrence of all phenomena for which we have found a perfect expression in the mathematical curve of the sine—that continual alternation of the wave at its peak and the wave at its ebb. We find that the idea of groups of waves

makes part of the theory of electrons. The rigid theory of classic mechanics has been transformed into wave mechanics. There is a book by the physicist Max Zimmer that was published fifteen years ago with an introductory article by Max Planck under the title *Umsturz im Weltbild der Physik*. On the outside of this book we see the picture of the matter wave—the symbol of physics in our time. The dissolution of matter into energy and the sublimization of the solid, i.e., Saturnian elements that are taking place in this era are intimated by way of this symbol.

Man has raised himself into the air: transoceanic travel is, already, carried on to a large degree by air, a fact which cannot surprise us since the airy sign of Libra is placed above our 9th house. And Man also is beginning to push his way into the stratosphere and is preparing to make use of atomic energy in order to travel to the Moon.

All we see and all we hear, including the phenomena of ultra-light and ultrasound, has been synthesized in the oscillogram of electro-magnetic vibrations, and the system of spherical waves, so important for the technical development of our broadcasting system, is the dominant symbol of our time and stands in the forefront of interest. The Sun itself already has been recognized to be the most powerful short-wave transmitter.

It may be the very construction of a modern emitter-station that will perhaps, some day, teach us that new and wider concept of God as it is rooted in astrological doctrine, and from which the religion of the Age of Aquarius might spring: the concept of the cosmos in its entirety as the giant sender and Man, the small receiver endowed with the capacity of reacting to the vibrations and manifestations coming from above, thus ultimately arriving at a clear perception of God and the universe.

The stars tell us which is the lesson to be learned during each celestial month. The Age of Pisces has brought us in contact with the beyond; in the Age of Aquarius we shall realize that the world of the beyond and our own world belong together, and that this visible world must be organized in a manner analogous to the world of the beyond. This means, to all practical intents, that we are destined

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Christmas Joys

for

Girls and Boys

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AT Christmastime we think of children, happiness and music—besides a great many other things. The spirit of the Day is established in the heart of every child, and is one that should remain throughout life. How important it is to encourage this Christmas spirit in the hearts of all children, for the warm golden glow we sense at this season should return each year. Such is the spirit of Christmas.

What is this spirit? Is it not a feeling of love and good will for all? Is it not a sense of peace and harmony—a spirit of giving and sharing? This spirit will increase throughout the world with an ever growing light.

Christmas is akin to the young child. We celebrate the birthday of Christ. His birth is symbolized by the Sun born again at the winter solstice. To align ourselves with the Christ spirit at this time of the year is to receive His spiritual light in our lives. This light, once born, and encouraged to increase, has power to renew our lives, solve our problems and make our way easier and happier.

Perhaps this is why New Year's Day and Resolutions follow quickly the Christmas celebration. The light born at Christmas is given opportunity to increase in power and strength.

We should think of Christmas as an ever-present reality. That sacred birth which occurred 2000 years ago is given a new significance in our own lives at this present moment. The Christ Spirit is something that lives now; something that abides with us every day. Perhaps we should say it is a power that overshadows us. We may become channels of its light if we "prepare Him room."

Yet how often "there is no room at the inn." Our minds are preoccupied with affairs of this world so that we find little time to admit the Light. To exalt the spirit of childhood is to admit the light.

It is true that all children exemplify the spirit of Christmas. They possess a natural joy, a faith and love closely akin to the inner light. In fact, it is the Light, itself, personalized in the child. Therefore, in making the child happy, we are making room for the new life in the world. Then, too, each time a child is born, the world is given new hope. No one can tell "how far this little candle will cast its beams."

It is true also that each of us is a child at heart. However, this "heart side" may have been neglected by the affairs of daily life. Christmastime is one in which we may renew the spirit. Let us encourage the light to grow and increase in splendor, thus renewing our lives.

By considering the child as we see him through "astrological eyes," we behold the white light of Christmas separated into twelve colors or rays. These are none other than the twelve signs of the zodiac as they express through all children everywhere. No matter what the race, creed or color, one of these living rays of light, the signs of the zodiac, finds expression through a child.

The **Aries** Child. The old adage that "children should be seen and not heard" was never intended for Aries children. The glorious red star of Mars infuses them with so much vital energy that it radiates in a constant spirit of exuberance and joy. Aries children have the power to respond to Christmas through this feeling of joy. Bright decorations, red bows, red berries and apples thrill them. Red means newness of life. Yet, how quiet this Aries child can be if you select his favorite story book and read to him. His natural energy can express easily in mental avenues. He concentrates and visualizes the story as a living reality. Give these active children story books that will help them guide their ceaseless flow of energy in constructive paths. Red

mittens and red wool scarves are also appropriate. Great joy and vitality is inherent in the sign.

A **Taurus** child is usually the dimpled darling of any household. Full of laughter and fun, it is a general favorite. Venus infuses her glamorous ray into the being of these children, bestowing a natural loveliness. They are rugged and strong with healthy appetites. The Taurus child is apt to be first to sample candy. Speaking of temperament, the proverbial little curl that "hangs right down in the middle of her forehead" is particularly Taurean. When she is good she is very, very good; but when she is bad, she is still adorable. Give her music and songs for Christmas. All Venus-ruled types love to sing Christmas Carols.

Gemini children are alight with the spirit of Christmas in many ways. They are the entertainers at any gathering. Always the center of the group, their brightness, wit and vivacity amuse and delight. Geminis are generous too, delighting in the thought of giving as well as receiving. They like to receive mail, cards and packages. Toys on wheels, skates and small cars appeal to them. They love the open air and should have contact with the out-of-doors. We may wonder where Gemini children keep so much stored energy for they often appear fragile; yet, actually, they are wiry and strong.

The **Cancer** child is in its 7th heaven surrounded by loved relatives. To this child, the Christmas dinner is *the* event of the year. Love of home and home ties manifests when very young. These girls adore dolls. They like doll houses and cooking utensils. Both boys and girls are fond of pets and would cherish a kitten or puppy as a gift. In fact, everything that has the atmosphere of a true home means much to these sensitive types. It is well to remember how sensitive Cancerians can be. Give these children praise. Praise will cause them to express or release themselves. Be cautious with scolding or threats. Otherwise, the child of this sign may retire into his or her own world of imagination to live a life of make believe. These types have creative gifts which should be directed into constructive channels early in life.

Leo children are little princes and princesses. How they love to shine in regal glory on Christmas! How they love

to dress themselves for the occasion. Any bright ornament they wear adds to their sense of dignity. Leos have a royal quality that every parent should encourage. They possess a natural pride. It is never felt in opposition to others, but is that true recognition of inner worth. As gifts, they love to receive golden jewelry. They will care for and appreciate any old heirlooms given them, even when mere children. Leos love all that is beautiful and appreciate the luxurious. They adore Christmas plays for they themselves are natural actors and actresses. Television and radios interest them.

Virgo children are a unique type. Even though young and small they are orderly. They love the Christmas tree and want it to be symmetrical and well decorated. Virgos can do this themselves for they have original ideas. Gay and light-hearted, they delight in assisting with household chores at this season. They appreciate writing pads and pencils, also books. Give the girls dolls. Boys delight in articles of wearing apparel, for Virgos are practical. Little banks please both boys and girls, for these children are thrifty. Virgos are by nature very intuitive. Naturally truthful, they appreciate truth from others. Life holds a very interesting future for them.

Libra children are adorable. They are ruled by Venus and have a fragile charm. These young people are exceptionally bright, for Libra is a mental air sign. They delight in school life and will study without coaxing. Therefore, encourage this mental trend with suitable books. Also, give them pictures to color or encourage their music studies. Cultural activities are natural to them. Little Libra children are true diplomats. It is difficult to win an argument against one of them if he is very much interested in his point. These are our future lawyers and diplomats. Our civilization depends upon the care and thought we give to the rearing of these Librans, as well as to children of all signs.

Scorpio youngsters are "knowing" types. They are little detectives who can discover the hiding places of gifts unless great secrecy is exercised in concealing them. They adore Santa Claus and his mysterious bag of gifts. Beside their arts in entertaining, they are most helpful. Young Scorpios are endowed by nature in many ways. Even as children they cook

very well. They run errands and are interested in household chores. Give them mechanical toys and story books. Girls of the sign love dolls, but also appreciate mechanical toys. As active as Arians, they should utilize their abundant energy through healthful exercise, thereby building strong bodies and keen minds. These dependable children are by nature truthful. They mean what they say, often speaking subtle words of truth to the amazement of their elders, and pride of their parents.

Sagittarian children, like Scorpio, also have a way of speaking truth. Born little teachers, their inner perception of reality and truth makes them valuable aids to their associates. Later in life, they learn to curb the tongue and soften their terse sayings which can "hit the nail too severely upon the head." As Sagittarius is a sign of travel, we expect such active types to appreciate bicycles and skates. They love automobile trips and love to eat in distant restaurants—even if they also adore their home environment. Sagittarians seldom need be coaxed to attend religious services. Considered fortunate, Jupiter with his hand on the "horn of plenty," generally assures them of a successful future. Life holds an interesting future for these frank, open-minded, interesting Sagittarian children.

Capricorn young people find that Christmas occurs in their own birth sign. They may celebrate their birthday near December 25th. Thus, they are truly "Christmas children" who radiate the spirit of the day. Born at a time when the Sun is just beginning to increase in light, they feel the expanding vital force within their own beings, and so they envision their future. With mental eyes upon some distant goal, we find them determined to attain these objectives. Capricorn children teach us the practicality of establishing a high goal early in life. Yet, they also love their present activities, realizing that these are the foundations of the future. They appreciate toys that are substantial and gifts that endure. As this is a sign of endurance and lasting memories, the experiences of early childhood will be cherished as living memories throughout life. Give Capricorn young people high ideals to carry through the years. Teach them the necessity of love and the art of living.

Such instruction will return to bless the parents for resultant love and happiness will grow and blossom throughout the future years.

Aquarian children are independent thinkers who demonstrate their individual ideas early in life. Thus, they amaze their elders with a unique quality of mind. Possessed of much inquisitiveness, they want to understand everything. The story of the Wise Men from the East never fails to thrill them. This mysterious Star! From whence did it come? Advanced mentally beyond their years, they are favorites of everyone. Aquarian children dwell mentally in the Spirit of Christmas although surrounded with but little of the luxuries of this world. Children have that great gift of lifting their hearts and minds over the mundane affairs of life thereby receiving a living spirit of happiness. Give the Aquarian child books he or she will enjoy. Remember they understand literature that is read by the more mature minds. They too appreciate mechanical toys, such as trains or toy automobiles. They also love colored lights and gay music.

Piscean children, like the Cancerians, are sensitive and emotional. The traditions and stories of Christmas mean much to them. The day is not complete without its religious side and Christmas music. Pisceans like gaily colored mittens and warm knitted slippers. They love all hand-knitted things. They usually like to paint, especially with water-colors. Give them books and pictures to color. Give them poems to read. Let them endeavor to write their own poetry. You may be surprised how creative the Piscean child is. In touch with the subjective powers of nature, we see in them the freshness of creative thought manifesting early. Never thwart such endeavors. In teaching them, use criticism with care. Let the young efforts of creative endeavor grow naturally, for they will blossom later on. Piscean children should appreciate skates, slippers, bicycles and a course of dancing lessons.

Every time a child is born in the world, it brings with it the spirit of a new Christmas. A new light and a new hope for the world is born. Yet, if we have lost it, each one of us may recover the spirit of the child. We can lift our minds to childhood's level of love and truth. Christmas is the time to do this.

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A Modern Approach to an Ancient Method

Reduction of Tropical to Sidereal

THE calculation of the solar and lunar returns in terms of the ancient Egypto-Babylonian zodiac would present no problem provided the reader had at hand a *sidereal* ephemeris for the year of birth and another for the year in which the return took place. Unfortunately as the first sidereal ephemeris in terms of this zodiac to be compiled and published in Washington and London* was for the year 1950 the reader has no option but to reduce the longitudes of the sun, moon and planets as given in the tropical ephemerides (e.g., *Raphael's Ephemeris*, *Die Deutsche Ephemeride*, *Astrologer's Ephemerides*, etc.) to their sidereal equivalents. Before showing how this can be effected it might be advisable to consider some salient points in the history of the zodiac.

The Harakhte Calendar

The original zodiac, namely that which was common to Egypt, Chaldea, Babylonia and Assyria from at least the time when Djer, the 3rd king of the 1st Egyptian dynasty, founded the Harakhte (Mars) or Seth calendar on the 1st Mesore ("New Year's Day"), at the heliacal rising of Spica at Heliopolis—the "Greenwich" of ancient Egypt—that is on September 15, 3130 B.C. when Mars had risen above the ascendant in conjunction with Denebola, then a star of the 1st magnitude in the *tail-end* of the constellation Leo (see Chart, p. 31), to the passing away of these empires, is designated *sidereal* ("Starry") because its initial point, Aries 0°, was permanently fixed on the ecliptic circle 179° to the west of Spica, its fiducial-star, or 45° to the west of Aldebaran. Throughout the dynastic period Harakhte ("Horus who is above the horizon") never ceased to be identified with the "Lion." On ostrakon D. 521 of the Strassburg collection we read "... Horus, the red" (Mars) "is the star of the fierce lion" and even to this day the common symbol for Leo is

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a representation of a *lion's tail*. The demotic ideogram for the constellation Leo and for Mars was the same, namely a *knife*. Harakhte was frequently represented by a human-headed lion couchant, whose features were fashioned after the likeness of the reigning Pharaoh. A knoll of rock, left by the builders of Khufu's (Choeps') Great Pyramid, when they were quarrying stone, was sculptured by Cheops' successor, Chephren (IVth dynasty, c. 2600 B.C.) into a colossal lion couchant, the Great Sphinx, the head being modeled after Chephren's own features, to stand guard "for eternity"—alas in vain—over the great pyramids in the necropolis of Giza, the royal cemetery of the mighty pharaohs of the IVth dynasty. Unlike the corrupt Graeco-Roman "fixed" zodiac with its unequal constellations, and which, in its original form, was introduced into Greece in the 6th century B.C., by Cleostratus of Tenedos, and which, in a much modified form, still adorns our modern star atlases, the Egypto-Babylonian zodiac was rigorously divided into twelve equal zodiacal constellations, each comprising 30° of longitude. Around this fixed zodiacal belt, the equinoctial and solstitial points retrograde at the rate of 1° in about 72 years. On January 1, 1954, the sidereal longitude of the vernal equinoctial point, otherwise called the spring-point (the "Aries 0°" of the tropical zodiac) will be in Pisces 5° 47' 51".

Because the Egyptian priests reckoned the passage of time during the night, from the roofs of their temples, by the stars that successively crossed the cusp of the 10th house (i.e., culminated), their *meridian longitudes* were deemed of prime importance. The meridian longitude (ML), known in India as its *polar* longitude, is the degree of the ecliptic that simultaneously crosses the cusp of the 10th house with the *transit* of the star. It can be computed from the simple formula $ML = M + V.P.$ where $\cot M = \cos$ obliquity of ecliptic \cot star's R.A. (The values for V.P. can be derived

*The National Astrological Library, 327 A Street S.E., Washington 3, D. C., and Robert Anscombe & Co. Ltd., 291/293 Gray's Inn Road, London W.C.1., respectively.

from the tables on page 73 of *The Sidereal Ephemeris* for 1951-1952-1953). Conjunctions and distances between individual stars were invariably measured in meridian longitudes. In the Harakhte horoscope Mars meridian longitude was Leo 28° 22' and Denebola, the "Lion's tail," Leo 28° 22', so they both transitted the midheaven simultaneously, and therefore they were in exact "conjunction." The appellation "Karakhte" for this era is due to this fact.

The Sothic Calendar

By the "... 363rd year of the Harakhte..." (Edfu legend) the heliacal rising of Spica at Heliopolis had long ceased to take place on the 1st Mesore ("New Year's Day") because the Harakhte calendar (which was probably substituted for the irregular lunar calendar of 354 days, and which, like the Babylonian calendar, commenced at spring at the first appearance after sunset of Khonsu), the boy-god of the crescent-moon (Neomenia) consisted of 365 days (twelve 30-day months, with five epagomenal or "added" days), no provision being made for the intercalation of a

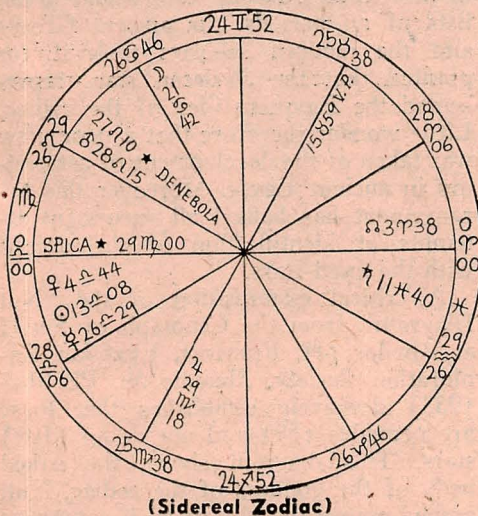
"leap-year" day every four years. So Imhotep, the Grand Vizier of King Djoser of the IIIrd dynasty, decided to reform the calendar by making the Egyptian year commence with the heliacal rising at Heliopolis of Isis-Septdet (Sothis or Sirius)—the brightest star in the firmament—which then occurred on the 1st Thoth, the 2nd month, namely on July 16, 2767 B.C., which also happened to be mid-summer's day and the beginning of the great Inundation. In the reformed calendar Thoth was made the first of the months, and the five epagomenal days were detached from the end of the month Epiphi and annexed to the end of Mesore, which then became the 12th month. As Sirius rose heliacally at Heliopolis at a mean interval of 365.2507 days, this meant that if Imhotep's reform was to be implemented a 6th epagomenal day would have to be intercalated every fourth year if the heliacal rising of Sirius was always to fall on the 1st Thoth. Unfortunately the introduction of the Sothic calendar of 365.25 days precipitated a civil war between the priests of Seth who adhered to the Harakhte calendar and the priests of Horus who favored the re-

"Harakhte Epoch"

Horoscope for the moment of Spica's heliacal rising (Gamma 13.1°) at Heliopolis (N. 30° 08'; E. 31° 18½') on September 15th (Julian), 3130 B.C. (or 3129 A.D.) which was "New Year's Day" (1st Mesore) of the common Egyptian calendar. Owing to the effects of refraction and extinction of light near the horizon, Spica (magnitude 1.21°) would not become visible until its altitude was 0.6°, which makes the R.A. of M.C. 36° 22' and the L.M.T. 4:30 a.m.

Mars Meridian longitude Leo 28° 22'
Denebola " Leo 28 22
Mean sidereal longitude of the vernal-point (V.P.) 45.99°.

Obliquity of the ecliptic (E) 24°02'.



	Sidereal Latitude	R.A.	Tropical Declination
Sun		149°28'	+ 12°46'
Moon	+ 5°02'	62 41	+ 26 46
Mercury	- 2 33	161 04	+ 5 28
Venus	+ 1 25	141 46	+ 16 56
Mars	+ 1 22	103 31	+ 24 51
Jupiter	+ 0 42	192 31	- 4 32
Saturn	- 2 13	298 13	- 23 44
Spica	- 1 48	135 04	+ 15 36
Denebola	+12 31	103 31	+ 36 01

form. The story of this remarkable conflict is told with copious mythological detail on the murals in the great Temple of Horus at Edfu.

Cycles

The upshot was that Imhotep's successors failed to intercalate the extra day every fourth year and in consequence the common Egyptian calendar of 365.00 days, commencing with the 1st Thoth, remained unaltered from Imhotep's time down to the time of the Roman Emperor Augustus. A star that culminated at midnight on, say, the 1st Mesore for four years in succession (a tetraeteris) would culminate at the same time on the 2nd Mesore for the next four years and so on until it would again culminate at midnight on 1st Mesore after a lapse of approximately 1420 years. In other words, in terms of the common Egyptian calendar, the sidereal cycle was about 1420 years while the seasonal (tropical) cycle was 1505 years. For four successive years Spica rose heliacally at Heliopolis on the same Egyptian day about every 1423 years, which was the Cycle of Harkhte (Mars); while the Sirius or "Phoenix" (Venus) Cycle was about 1456 years. The first "Phoenix" cycle began in the tetraeteris 2770-2767 B.C. when Sirius heliacally rose on "New Year's Day" (1st Thoth); the second occurred in the tetraeteris 1314-1311 B.C. It was styled the "Era of Menophres" because it took place during the reign of Rameses I, who was pre-nominated Menophré. The third began in the tetraeteris 142-145 A.D. and coincided with the "Great Peace" of Antonius Pius, who commemorated the occasion by the issue of a few coinage bearing a *phoenix* and the inscription AION. The fourth and last cycle commenced in the tetraeteris 1594-1597 A.D. when all that was left of the ancient empires were tombs, monuments and textual records.

"The 36-Decan Stars"

The Underworld (Duat) of the Egyptians was situated below the western Horizon and it was presided over by Osiris, the great god of the dead. Designated Sekhet-Aner ("Field of Reeds"), it was in all respects an idealized version of this world, where the dead dwelt in *perpetual spring* cultivating crops that yielded fabulous harvests with corn growing to a height of nine cubits. The eschatological calendar was also idealized

for it consisted of only 360 days, the epagomenal 5 days being omitted, and like the Sothic it commenced with the 1st Thoth and ended with the 30th Mesore. Associated with it was the ecliptic circle of the famous "36-Decan Stars," which commenced and ended with Sirius. That is every 10° of the ecliptic measured from Sirius' meridian longitude (epoch 2767 B.C. = Cancer $2^\circ 55'$) was equivalent to one decan and each decan was identified with the principal fixed-star within its confines. In effect this meant that as there are 360 days in the year, and 360° in the ecliptic, there was one decan to every 10 days or 3 decans to the month. Moreover, for everyone of the 36 decans the interval between heliacal rising and acronychal culmination was 200 days; between acronychal culmination and acronychal setting 70 days and between acronychal setting and heliacal rising (when the decan was in the Duat) was 70 days. While these intervals more or less tally with Sirius' heliacal phenomena they are astronomically impossible for the rest of the decan-stars. As this synchronization of the 36-decan stars with the Sothic calendar was found in the temples, tombs, coffins and decan lists of all periods, the ancient Greeks and the modern scholars took it for granted that the 36-decan stars represented the Egyptian idea of the zodiac. Little wonder therefore that a poor view was taken of the development of astronomy in ancient Egypt. Moreover this arrangement has baffled all successful attempts at identification of the decans with the fixed-stars.

A critical examination of the "Nut Diagram" from the Cenotaph of Seti I at Abydos (H. Franfort, Egyptian Exploration Society, Memoir 39, Pl. 81—1933) decisively establishes that these are pentades (5°) and not decan (10°) stars. This diagram shows the naked body of the goddess of the zodiac, Nut, arched across the sky in such a manner that her head droops over the western horizon, while her groin is over the east. Supporting her in the middle stands the air-god, Shu. His head is in profile, which is an ideogram for *tep* ("top," "zenith"). Above his head is another ideogram, *she*, which means the "Lake" (of heaven) or the midheaven. Below her body is an eschatological calendar of heliacal phenomena as already described. But inscribed on her naked body

in another and different arrangement. Here the whole of the 36-decans are shown running from her neck to her groin, commencing with the Kenmut ("Vulture") decans and ending with that of Sirius. In other words, the 36-decans arch the visible heavens (180°) from west to east, which would make them pentades ($36 \times 5 = 180$). The orthodox Egyptologist dismisses this as merely a fanciful whim on the part of the scribe, having no significance. But if this was true we should expect to find precisely 18 decans in the west and the other 18 in the east. But actually 20 decans are shown in the west and only 17 in the east! Why? At Sirius' heliacal rising in 2767 B.C., Aries $10^\circ 31'$ (10.5°) was on the midheaven and Sirius' meridian longitude was Cancer $2^\circ 33'$ (92.6°), hence Sirius' meridian distance was 84.1° and the complement of this is 97.9° . Expressing these as decans and pentades, the following tabulation is derived:

	<i>East</i> (82.1°)	<i>West</i> (97.9°)
Calculated number of decans (10°)	8.2	9.8
Calculated number of pentades (5°)	16.4	19.6
Actual number shown on Nut diagram	17.0	20.0

It therefore seems impossible to avoid the conclusion that these so-called decans were in fact pentades, although converted to decans in the eschatological calendars, so as to eliminate the remaining 36 pentades, which were deemed unlucky. That there were some 72 pentades seems certain from a consideration of the Rameside Star Calendars (XXth dynasty). But any remaining doubt on this score will vanish on considering the following: (a) The two actual star groups found straddling the midheaven of the Nut diagram are *Sret* and *Say-Sret*, the "Sheep" and the "Offspring of the Sheep" respectively, and when Sirius rose at Heliopolis, Hamal, the "Sheep" (Alpha Arietis), in meridian longitude, Aries $9^\circ 25'$ had just transited the meridian (Aries $10^\circ 31'$), being about one degree to the *west* of it, although its ecliptic longitude was Aries $13^\circ 12'$. (b) At the epoch 2767 B.C., the Hyades were distant 47° (5 decans) and the Pleiades 59° (6 decans) from Sirius, yet the Sothic horoscopes give these as 9 (90°) and 11 (110°) decans respectively. (c) The stars of Sah (Orion) are repre-

sented as spreading over four decanspaces (40°), yet at its maximum Orion does not exceed 20° and finally (d) the common ideogram for a decan is a *five-pointed star* (a pentade) which is also used as an ideogram for the numeral 5 (deyu)! The acceptance of the pentade theory will cause a drastic revaluation of all existing ideas as to the antiquity and development of astronomy in Egypt.

Staircase of Eternity

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initiate must follow is, simply, that path which is before him. Wherever we are placed—whatever be our duties, whoever be our companions—there is the grand school of the mysteries of the human heart. There is no absolute path which is binding upon all men, but rather there are many paths, one, indeed, for each of us. In the cosmic wisdom, each man can find his path; indeed, the symbol of his path is hung in the very heavens at the time of his birth, and he has but to look at his horoscope to see it. Not that any man can read more than a tiny fraction of the marvelous truth written here; the horoscope of the initiate has a new meaning to correspond with every level of his development. But even at the beginning, the pattern which he finds inscribed there is the true chart of his immediate course.

Every human soul has different needs; there is no absolute code, no absolute method, no absolute standard. What is absolute, however, are such qualities as a fundamental integrity, a sincere desire, a flaming love, and an unshakable will to serve as a knowing partner in the mighty plan of the cosmos and its indestructible God. Do you seek your path? It lies before you. Do you seek your mission? Even now you are being prepared to accomplish it. Do you seek your God? Look deeply within your heart and he is there. And do you seek initiation? Listen to the voice of that God you have discovered, and it will direct you unerringly to the staircase, and once you have set your foot thereon, I think none of you will ever desire to turn back. You have been captured by the spirit of Light, and your captivity will be ineffably sweet—sweeter far than was ever the freedom of the bitter self to wander blindly through the wastelands of selfishness, fear, delusion, and the flaming torment of endless longing.

Above and Beyond*(Continued from page 14)*

With God everything was possible, I recalled.

"And the walls—they're iridescent!" he went on, astonished. "Are you frozen or something? Is the heat on?"

I mumbled some non-committal answer and clambered out of the cage onto the catwalk. Ramer was about to come up. "No use," I called, "Everything's inside out. The sidereal clock—its numbers run backwards now. We'd have to use a mirror to read it. Well, perhaps we don't need an observatory any longer."

"What do you mean?" queried Ramer incredulously, "What explanation will you give to the Board of Directors about their beautiful and expensive telescope?"

What could I say? That I had talked with God? If God had scrambled our telescope, that was his privilege, for were not all things God's? After some moments, I said: "Ramer, Someone greater than they . . . well, anyway, it's a genuine miracle and scientists and laymen from everywhere will come flocking and pay well for the privilege of seeing this marvel. Please give my regards to the Board of Directors and say I regard them as fortunate indeed. And now, if you'll pardon me, I have a frightful headache."

Was it fancy when I thought I heard from afar, "So have I, while Man doth run wild."

Like a symphony that ends in the same key, so ends my story. Once home, I greeted Marsha with a warm kiss—much warmer than the first one. We started to wake the children to watch the fun beneath the Tree that commemorated the greatest Gift of all. How beautiful was life on Christmas Day!

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to set up a spheric Kingdom of God on this earth in accordance with cosmic principles. The spirit of Aquarius will give us the strength we shall need to fulfill this task.

I should like to end this essay by quoting what I have said in 1949, in a lecture before a group of creative men and women in Vienna under the title *The Organism of God*:

"God should ever be enthroned above us all and within us all as the principle of striving for what is best and being what is best: conciliatory, understanding

and tolerant. The highest responsibilities within the community should be the pre-occupation of a select few, an elite of scientifically trained men and women filled with the noblest religious and spiritual aspirations; aspirations that must be their highest ideal, spring from their deepest spiritual experience. They should not only carry those aspirations within themselves, but also have the power to let their thoughts disseminate them through even the minutest components of our earthly sphere.

"Only when the nations of this planet come to realize that the boundaries separating their interests and realms mean no more than the limits between the members and organs within one body for which, and within which, we all live; only when Man has come to understand that the life of one is the life of the other and the life of all will there be real Peace on Earth."

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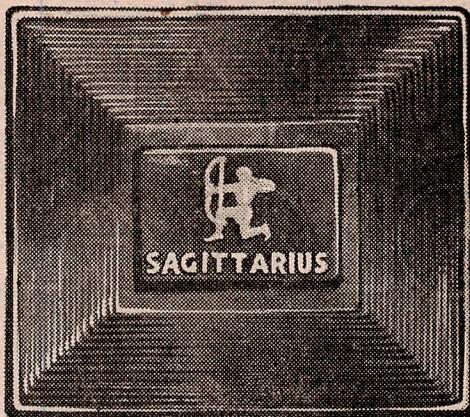
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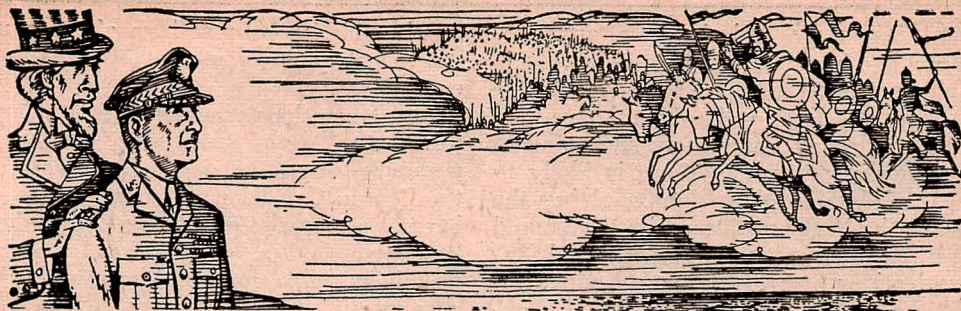
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Tomorrow's NEWS

Edna L. Scott

NEW and rather surprising developments in the atomic and hydrogen bombs by Russia have thrown the foreign diplomatic departments of world powers into a "tizzy."

This was "launched" by the Russians at the proper psychological moment when they thought the western powers were getting along together too smoothly. This was Russia's method of attempting to break up the co-ordination of the NATO nations.

Another important world event was the appointment of Madam Pandit to the Presidency of the United Nations. As we are in the shadow of the Aquarian Age we shall see more and more women elected to high positions of influence. Whether Madam Pandit's appointment will work to the benefit of the United Nations remains to be seen. Her brother, the prime minister of India, who has previously adopted the role of "peace-maker," is at this writing being publicized as being in the Communist camp.

Also, at this writing, the press is publicizing the arrests of the Polish priests, and the similar arrests of Chinese priests in China.

To our readers who are interested in Pyramid prophecy, we point out that the three foregoing events are shown in the chart of August 20, 1953. In that chart we found the Moon in the diplomatic, religious and foreign sign of Sagittarius, opposing Jupiter in Gemini (the planet ruling Sagittarius).

United States

The New Moon chart★ of Washington,

★ See Lunation Chart, p. 65.

D. C. has Mercury ascending. This would indicate that the press will be highlighting world events along the lines of finance, the world bank, import-export, and world loans. The Lunation itself is in Sagittarius in the 1st house. It brings a certain amount of unrest and nerve tension to the populace. Even if it is the Christmas season, the people are fearful of spending too much, and are inclined to retrench on Christmas spending. Those of a more speculative nature will overspend, while the conservatives will hold back. More than one locality in the U. S. will be interested in new race tracks. Due to the speculative phase of Sagittarius, other bills pertaining to gambling in certain states may be brought up before Congress.

The people of the nation are growing restive under our foreign policy, and they may make demands of their congressmen to influence the discouragement of so much foreign loaning, to curb the resultant excessive taxation.

Our seventh house of the chart contains Jupiter, indicating general concern in religious matters and the treatment of the clergy by Communist countries. The charts all fall have shown a change taking place in world religion: the Moslem rally against the Communists in Indo-China, the furor created in Morocco by the removal of the Sultan and the late Polish incident with the priests.

We find Uranus in the eighth house square to Mars and Neptune in the 11th house, indicating elderly people in government might pass away. It also creates

("News" written Sept. 15, 1953.)

explosions in electrical plants, and promotes the likelihood of aircraft accidents (aircraft is ruled by Uranus).

Two malefics in the 11th house will create dissension and party splits among our congressmen, and there is likely to be considerable discussion involving the draft, the POW problem with China, and the reduction of military personnel. Investigations over loyalty may begin within the nation's capitol. Saturn is exactly conjoined with the 12th house cusp. This denotes that our charitable organizations will be called upon to help many unfortunates who are suffering privations. Further drains in excess of that given by Social Security allowances might be made to support the ever-increasing bracket of 65 year-olds. All charitable organizations will find more difficulty in raising their quotas from donations. Also December might produce an international marriage of importance. Both the New and Full Moon charts foreshow each state of the nation to put out strenuous efforts in the curbing of narcotics, especially relative to the young of high school age.

There is a slight recession on in the United States. Recessions follow planetary cycles, and not political parties.

Hollywood has closed several movie studios, making it a little difficult for these craftsmen.

Canada

The Lunation for Ottawa indicates that there may be some trade pacts or commercial agreements rescinded. This could stir up some religious difficulties within the Dominion which might give her strained relations with the bordering states. This same Jupiter falls on the U. S. Mars, which may have something to do with tariffs or the like.

23° Scorpio ascends with Mercury on the cusp. These positions conjoin the Saturn of the Dominion of Canada natal horoscope. This would indicate new discoveries in oil or minerals. The strained relations between the U. S. and Canada could easily concern mineral and/or oil shipments. This is not to exclude difficulty in agreement over taxation involving oil or minerals. The Uranus transit at this time opposes the Moon in Capricorn of the same chart. This would indicate that Canada would now oppose prominence of women taking leading positions of affairs in government. But

despite this, women will go ahead anyway, as they are doing in other leading countries.

Some emotional incident might come to the attention of the people. There is a possibility of another visit of her Majesty the Queen. Canada may change some of her laws, or make revisions affecting her legislative bodies. Or, possibly, some prominent governmental person could pass away.

The natural resources of Canada put this country into a class by itself regarding wealth, at least potentially. Plans seem to be under discussion within governmental circles on the subject of the St. Lawrence project, on which progress is likely being made. This may be one of the differences between the U. S. and Canada, because the latter wants to go ahead with this project while the U. S. seems to want to delay and stall some more. Canada has the money, and she wants to vie with the rest of the world powers in commercial activities, and this great waterway would facilitate progress substantially along these lines in point of time and cost of shipping.

Since Saturn rules all excavation and reclamation projects, and is in Scorpio and in the house of investments of the Dominion chart for the next 2½ years, we feel that this will be the great accomplishment of our northern neighbor. If they do proceed without the help of the U. S., we will be the loser. It would not only cost tolls for us, but she'll get her products to the Atlantic seaboard faster than we can with our trains "beating us to the punch."

Great Britain

The Lunation for the British Isles falls in the 10th house and on Lord Churchill's Sun. We do not think the Prime Minister will be too well physically during the winter months. His recent disillusionment when the Communists fired on the British transport puts him in an embarrassing light regarding his Asiatic policy; also, British faith in righteous dealings on the part of the Communists seems in for another betrayal of trust. More shipping could easily be challenged or fired upon.

Uranus on the cusp of the 7th house and square to Mars shows a growing resentment in British policies toward Germany and the U. S. Due to age-old animosities Britain doesn't want the re-

arming of Germany to be effected. The western world fully realizes the necessity of Germany as a bulwark in effective European defense against Russia. This reversal in Germany plus the Chinese incident adds up to making the Prime Minister something less than happy. Could it be possible that with the Sun and Venus in the Mid-Heaven of the Luration over his Sun he could have a high honor bestowed upon him and then retire from office?

British shipping will likely be endangered because of inclement weather: fog and poor visibility, etc. (Mars and Neptune in the 8th).

Queen Elizabeth will probably make a foreign trip this fall, also Princess Margaret may possibly become engaged. If the Queen does not leave, a very gay social season is strongly indicated. Another good note is the probability of further abandonment of rationing.

Europe

The re-election of Chancellor Adenauer has created new problems for NATO and its members. Some allies are more in favor of the re-arming of Germany and others are against it. Pleasing everyone is going to be a diplomatic problem. The charts for Germany show more and more desertions from the East sector and more insurrections at the border. The more Russia oppresses and imprisons the East Germans, the more Russia defeats her own purpose. If the chancellor is spared in longevity a few more years he will accomplish his mission of unifying Germany. Today he is the greatest thorn in the Russian side.

If the United States can act as a peace-maker between France and Germany and talk France into a stabilization of her own government, the Communistic underground movement could be severely thwarted. Unless the French, themselves, develop a spirit of unity and a love of their own nation, they will almost become a "forgotten country."

Russia

Russia appears more and more dangerous as time progresses, now that she has the H-bomb plus numerous A-bomb advancements, according to currently sound newswise sources. However, if we have the correct charts (November 9, 1917), all is not serene behind the iron curtain. Saturn starts its $2\frac{1}{2}$ years sojourn in Scorpio over the Sun of this chart, and

before January 1, 1954, Saturn will square this chart's Neptune. This is the ground for the "seeds of revolution." Present reports are that the military forces are bargaining with other nations against their own political leaders, much as was done in Germany just prior to their calamitous war. The Luration chart for Moscow places Mars, Neptune, Saturn and Mercury in the department of treaties and foreign relations (7th) and squares and trines Uranus in the 5th house. This all adds up to an undercurrent of intrigue between the army of Russia and the outside, and adds to this a distrust among the young people within the country which works into the hands of the army group. Regardless of press reports to the contrary, Russia is not as strong inside as we give her credit for being. It simply can't be anything but fundamental weakness coming out of the practice of undermining deceit, intrigue with malice and hatred.

Iran

Foreign aid to Iran seems to be on the way at the present writing. This will help get the Iranian oil into the world markets. As soon as this is accomplished the Iranians will settle down and stop all their fighting over Mossadegh. "Full pockets and a full stomach go a long way to make peace"—and block Communistic agents making a strong foothold. The Full Moon places Jupiter and the Moon on the cusp of the house of finance in the dual sign of Gemini, which might indicate that the World Bank is financing the oil operations.

Since Jupiter is near the U. S. Mars, she may be the mediator between the Iranians and the British to settle this oil dispute. Both Full and New Moon charts for Iran show oil production is to be resumed.

Near East

The New Moon chart for Egypt doesn't seem to be any better off than the past charts have been. She is full of intrigue, and a Moslem uprising could occur in connection with Britain (resentment of Christian domination). Britain may be forced to give the Sudan up as well as the control of the Suez canal. If this happens, it shows itself to represent the last stand of western domination of Asia. Has it not been prophesied that a new leader, similar to Genghis Khan, would come out of Asia?

Morocco is ruled by Scorpio, and the present transit of Saturn in this sign leads to unrest in this state. The French are still unpopular here.

Indo-China seems to have a great deal of trouble in her country, not only due to warfare, but also due to lack of medicinal supplies, religious uprisings and epidemic possibilities. Due to extremes in weather conditions, many of the poorer people could die of pneumonia.

India

India, as a nation, under the present Luration seems to have problems of health with which to cope. Nehru's role as peacemaker is not meeting with approval of the other powers that be, Russia. In the New Moon chart we find Uranus in the 3rd house, and we find the Luration in the 7th house. These two positions seem to portend the wresting away of the wealth of the various maharajahs of the separate states. While Tibet is not exactly India, it is in the same region and comes under the same influences of the planets. Due to the Luration being in Jupiter's sign and opposing its own rulership, the Lamas of Tibet are bound to be affected since the aspect mentioned is religious in character. The Chinese Communist infiltration has created a dissension, conducive to religious factions in Tibet.

China

The New Moon for Peking has Uranus in the 1st house, which happens to fall in Mao's 7th house. This presages Russia's giving orders to Mao, especially since this Uranus squares Mao's own natal Saturn. The New Moon chart for Peking has Neptune and Mars in the 4th house. This is indicative of very cold weather, and many deaths due to the cold, disease, famine and persecution. This same influence could indicate desertions by military personnel. It also gives us the testimony that there are still POW's in Chinese camps. Every planet is below the horizon for China, meaning that she is more concerned with affairs at home than she is with affairs abroad; her personal problems are greater than her foreign ones. We find Saturn and Mercury in the 5th house of youth. This gives us reason to believe that she is still sending young men to Asian countries for purposes of colonization and propaganda.

The New Moon falling on Mao's Mer-

cury in opposition to his Neptune and Pluto in his house of young people (5th) is another reason to believe that mutiny could occur in his army now that the active fighting is over, which is creating restlessness. Poor feeding adds to this. The Full Moon chart indicates many desertions from the army and attempts to get into allied countries for safety. Religious persecution of priests and clergy still goes on. Unless these prisoners are released more trouble will ensue among army personnel as well as the common people. Mao's personal chart has been so afflicted for months due to the summer eclipses and the fall Lunations that we cannot understand how he is surviving. It all proves, or at least arouses suspicion, that we are getting only a small morsel of the real news events. We believe that one day China and Russia will vie for power in the Orient (if they are not already doing it).

South America

President Peron of Argentina has his natal Saturn, Mercury and Uranus in Scorpio. Now that Saturn is transiting its own place, this is going to bring many weighty problems on his shoulders. It changes the financial status of the country. Recently a new law was passed affecting foreign investments, especially in connection with mining and other industries. Saturn in the financial sign of Scorpio would indicate that foreign money does come into Argentina, but it certainly will need to have strings attached to it if the investor wants to retrieve it. We do not know whether horse-racing is a popular sport in Argentina or not, but the present Luration indicates that the people are very much interested in gambling, and they may put in new gambling casinos, etc. Argentina wants to attract foreign dollars and she will do it through the pleasure route if she can. Also, there may likely be another attempt at overthrowing the present government. The Full Moon chart indicates behind-the-scenes activity of an underhanded nature. Before Christmas Saturn will be directly on Peron's Saturn, possibly making him ill and/or unpopular.

Brazil

The Luration for Rio de Janeiro has very much the same positions of houses as Argentina. We find the Luration in the 1st house, and Mars and Neptune in

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there in my horoscope that brings so much denial for me of the things that are really the ones most needed in a woman's life?

My Ascendant is 9:36 Aquarius.

Desperate Pisces

ANSWER: Venus in Capricorn in the twelfth house, conjunct Mars, approaching the opposition to Jupiter in Leo, would account for your disappointing experiences with those you love. This is the aspect of self-sacrifice. It may also happen that, when you finally renounce a desire, you may find it on your doorstep, but not before. If however, you did not have Aquarius rising, to place Venus in your twelfth house, this would not apply to you.

'At present your mind and heart are turning toward the acquisition of a home, and all feminine or soul factors, as your progressed Moon passes through your solar fourth house of Gemini, and over your Pluto and Neptune conjunction. With Aquarius rising, this conjunction would fall in your fifth house, of love and children. You now feel the desire for love, and to build a home "nearer to the heart's desire." Under the Neptune aspect this year, be sure you do not follow a will-o'-the-wisp in this respect. Be sure the "house you build" is strictly your own, to have or "to give, to sell at auction, to destroy," as a poet so aptly stated.

There is no reason why you cannot finally have your heart's true desire. For you yourself, and not anyone else, are responsible for making a house a home, and weaving into its fabric, piece by piece, bit by bit, your true and individual love expression. There is nothing at present in your chart that counteracts the attainment of this desire, provided of course you make the necessary effort toward this goal. Your progressed Venus in Aries is well placed as it approaches the sextiles to your Mercury in Aquarius and Pluto in Gemini, while your progressed Mercury with your progressed Sun in Aries gives the ingenuity and ambition necessary to carry a planned project to fulfilment. Love and marriage may indeed follow.

A "Loving Friendship" Best Now

Dear Miss Starr:

I have been reading American Astrology since 1937 and although I have learned considerably, there is still much to learn. I was born June 5, 1904, at 9:00 A.M., 43 N., 85 W. My first mar-

riage was good. He was born Feb. 8, 1900, hour unknown. We were very happy and had three children, but on May 16, 1929, he died. It was a hard blow to me, and left me very lonely. I was married again on Nov. 24, 1931, to a man born April 10, 1894. We were happy for awhile, had two more boys, but he started drinking and was undependable and even dishonest. I divorced him on May 2, 1936.

My happiness with my first husband was a strong influence, and on Dec. 28, 1939, I married a third time. His birthday was Aug. 27, 1896. He was nicely dressed and was always nice to me. He was a building contractor but was short of funds. My uncle was a prosperous business man, and willing to loan him some money—after we were married. I was not too anxious to get married so soon, but everyone approved, and I did it. It only lasted eight months. He had a violent temper, abused my children, and was just out to borrow all the money he could get, with no intention of paying it back. We were separated in the fall of 1939 but I didn't get my divorce for over three years. But I was sure I was cured of marriage this time.

My only daughter was married in 1942, and my four boys grew up and left home. So I was all alone, and again marriage seemed like the best thing to me. In June 1951 I married a bachelor, born Dec. 15, 1902. He never drank, stopped smoking, was a steady worker, and seemed like an ideal man. But he had no ambition, being satisfied to work as a laborer, was very self-effactive, but withal quite smug and self satisfied. He refused to go out after we were married, went to bed around 7 o'clock every night, and was never friendly with my friends or children. He wanted to isolate me, and that was all. One year of that was too much, don't you think? I have my divorce now.

Now tell me, what causes my unhappy marriages? I like people, and am, I think, pretty well liked. What are my future prospects for happiness? I have a friend now (I always have friends) born Jan. 23, 1908. Would marriage with him be good? Or the same as the others? I do not want another divorce. But I dread getting old and being lonely. I don't want to be "peddled" out among my children, six months here and six months there.

Disturbed Gemini

ANSWER: Saturn and Uranus, both powerfully testing planets, have rulership over your department of marriage and relationships. Saturn in Aquarius is posited in your seventh house, in square aspect to Mercury in Taurus, but sextile to Jupiter in Aries and Uranus in Sagittarius in your fifth house, which latter planet is Saturn's dispositor. The indications are that through marriage or relations you seek and find needed, even necessary experience along life's highway.

So many people have the idea ingrained in their consciousness that marriage is meant to bring only peace and happiness. However, marriage, like other departments or avenues of life, is meant to give us experience in sharing, and to teach us valuable lessons in living.

With Saturn as ruler of your seventh house, in trine aspect to Sun and Pluto, you should find a more or less "permanent" relationship. As Uranus rules your marriage house, and as Saturn is in the sign of Uranus, how or through what medium this will happen is not foreseen, but assuredly there would be an element of the unusual or "different" in this connection.

Your progressed Moon, or present state of consciousness, is now on the planet of freedom, Uranus, in Sagittarius in your fifth house. It appears the man you have recently met, who is born in Aquarius with Jupiter in Leo, is a friend, but "more than friend," and you might do well to keep this association on the friendly plane for the present, and not allow it to lead as far as the altar, which has had in the past unpleasant results.

When your progressed Moon enters your seventh house of marriage, and particularly when it contacts your Saturn in the seventh, you should at last know the answer to many of the questions you ask, and which have been bothering you. By that time, duty should have gained the predominance over the lighter voice of your heart, and if marriage is still all-important to you, for fulfilment and completion, then you should enter into it at that time (in 1955 or thereabouts). If by that time you come to believe the sacrifice too great, you may renounce the desire for conventional marriage, and be satisfied with a loving friendship (Aquarius). Only the steady unfoldment of your

consciousness and subsequent experiences will determine the unrolling of events. For our fate in the future must necessarily be determined by our actions and attitude of the past and present. Good luck!

A Debt of Destiny

Dear Miss Starr:

Perhaps you can help me to see a situation of long standing in its right light as you have helped so many who have solicited your aid.

In 1922 I was married to a person born May 7, 1882. About 1935 or so we separated. After 15 years fate or something drew us together again. Is it possible this is a karmic situation? I would very much appreciate your constructive comments.

I was born June 6, 1896 and have long been a subscriber and reader, especially of your column.

Another Gemini.

ANSWER: Your husband's Jupiter, Venus and South Node (a karmic point) are in your sign Gemini, conjunct your Venus. It has been noted astrologically that South Node contacts, especially where the Sun is also involved, as in your case, tend to present a bill for payment, as it were. Therefore, through association with this Taurus man with a strong Gemini influence, you may be required to pay up an old "karmic debt." The fact that your progressed Moon is now in the vicinity of your progressed Mars in Taurus in your solar twelfth house, in opposition to your Saturn and Uranus conjunction in Scorpio, supports this deduction.

As night follows day and vice versa, we all must pass through periods of receiving and periods of giving. You seem to be under a compulsion now to give or "pay" (Mars in Taurus in the solar twelfth) through contact with this man from your past (twelfth house). Of course, your hour of birth would do much to add to or detract from this.

You have a happier and more favorable romantic time in the near future, when in 1954 your progressed Moon enters your sign of Gemini to pass over your Venus, the planet of love and emotional expression. That year will be more favorable for you to receive from life the blessings of Venus, or to bring about happier conditions for you. In the absence of your hour of birth it is not possible to determine the channel through

which your greater happiness will be apt to materialize, or the exact month. As your progressed Mercury soon reaches a square to your natal Saturn you may face doubts or obstacles of some nature. It is necessary to keep as optimistic as possible, and rely on faith in the ultimate outcome or good, knowing that nothing that is truly yours can be taken away or lost. Neither can you keep anything that is not strictly your own.

At the same time that your progressed Moon is on your natal Venus in Gemini your husband's progressed Moon is on his progressed Venus in Virgo, making 1954 a Venusian (and happier) year for you both.

Marriage Opportunities

Rose Campbell Starr:

While on vacation at the Springs, I met two Old Goats, both shopworn, or should I say factory-rejects? I think I could marry either one of them, as I haven't had a good meal since I went on Social Security.

One was born July 28, 1894. He was most generous . . . crippled with arthritis . . . pension. The other Old Goat was born Feb. 16, 1891. He is tighter than a rubber-band, has an excess of avoirdupois (weighs 250 pounds), is bald-headed, but has money.

Rose, I know a little bit about Astrology, and I have figured some of the whys. I know Mars lay dormant in Scorpio eight months in 1952.

I met July 28, 1894 in June, 1952. The other Old Goat, Feb. 16, 1891, I met the 28th of Dec., 1952. Mars had then moved up to his Sun. I know that Mars is considered the activator of the planets and their aspects and progressions.

Now that I've talked it over with you, I don't think I'll marry either.

Believe me, I wasn't on the prowl when I went to the Springs. My heart was full of misery.

Libra.

ANSWER: Of the two men, the more generous one is the Leo, who has his progressed Moon in Leo, his Sun sign. This one is more in the mood for romance, but may not be so serious as the other about marriage. The other man, born in Aquarius, has his progressed Moon in Virgo near or on his Saturn. This brings out the more self-seeking, conservative, or practical traits in his nature, especially as Saturn in his case

occupies his solar seventh house of relationships. With natal Venus in Capricorn trine Saturn, this man would be more apt now to seek succor than to wish to give it. However, fate, under the guise of Saturn, often plays strange tricks. Under this planet, marriage is often entered into because single life seems to have come up against a stone wall, or a dead-end street.

If a Leo man is single after reaching the age of 59, especially when he has Sun square Uranus as has your Leo friend, he is apt to be inclined to spread his loving-kindness in more than one direction. Look how the sun, Leo's ruler, shines on all and sundry. Of course, this man's birth hour might decree that he has reached his "marriage time." The other man, the Aquarian, seems to feel a need of companionship, and might be easily induced to take the trip altarward, especially if he felt the woman were serious and responsible. Aquarius seldom feels complete without a mate. But as stated, in the absence of the hour of birth of both these men, and of your own birth hour as well, it is not possible to make very specific deductions.

With Sun, Mercury, Uranus, Moon and Jupiter in Libra, marriage or relationship with others is important to you. You like to share your experiences. But with Venus in Virgo and Mars in Scorpio, you are not apt to lose sight of the practical angles of marriage. You would seek to benefit from, or rise in life through, the marital relationship, else you would not be apt to enter into it.

Your progressed Moon is in Pisces, Neptune's sign, showing your emotions are quite vulnerable at present. If you have Virgo rising, with Venus near the Ascendant, which would be in the morning before the Sun had risen, you would now have come to your "marriage time." Your progressed Sun with your progressed Venus in Sagittarius in harmonious aspect to your natal Jupiter in Libra is a favorable romantic aspect, also it can be a beneficial one. This aspect attracts opportunities for self betterment, and marriage is not outside the realm of possibility; in fact, it is one consummation that could bring you benefits and elevate you to a higher plane of material comfort, and friendly relationships with the opposite sex should prove interesting and helpful for you at this period of your life.

Feminine Frills—

Dear Ladies:

Manhattan Memo

*"A Merry Christmas!
With holly let us deck each hall,
The mistletoe hang high.
Away with things beyond recall,
For Christmas now is nigh."*

This is the season of the year for putting aside old hurts and wrongs that are better forgotten. A joyful and benevolent attitude should now reign supreme in the hearts of all those who would tune in to the spirit of Christmas and receive greater benefit from its many blessings and rewards.

Early in December is the time to make our purchases of Vermont maple sugar, our Cape Cod cranberries, our Georgian pecans for December pecan pies. Perhaps many of us have friends in those parts of the country who will kindly supply us with these various items, so appropriate for friendly holiday gifts. If we visit Florida, it is such a thoughtful gesture to send a box of oranges and tropical fruit to our Northern friends back home.

Now is the time to bring out the holiday decorations, for half the joy of Christmas is in its preparations. By all means, don't overlook the tree, no matter if it's only a small one for the table, as the evergreen Christmas tree is symbolic of the spirit of Christmas and everlasting life. As everyone knows, holly, mistletoe, pine cones, poinsettias and hibiscus are all special plants and decorations for the Yuletide season. If you're fortunate enough to have a mantle, you can adorn it with all kinds of interesting and festive objects, from toy Santas and reindeers to figures of winter sprites and elves.

Those of you who have children should not forget to gather them around you and tell them the story of Christmas and the Christ child, born in the manger at Bethlehem nearly two thousand years ago. You should explain to them the spiritual meaning behind the story, and tell them about the Christ spirit waiting to be born

anew in our hearts at this season of the year.

Winter is now underway in earnest and all the evidence points to a cold one. You who are handy at sewing might use an old fur coat that has served its purpose as such to reline a cloth coat, and thus be fortified to meet December's chill. Very stylish coats can be made with linings such as broadtail, seal, lapin, mole-skin, squirrel, and even muskrat. Leopard or ocelot make striking linings, especially for three-quarter length top coat ensembles. If you don't feel equal to the relining task, a reliable furrier can do the job, usually quite reasonably. Manhattan newspapers carry advertisements for this type of work.

We associate the spirit of Christmas with good old-fashioned food—oysters on the half shell, olives, celery, roast goose or duck with dressing, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes and gravy, plum pudding—"the works." Almost any of us can be Christmas chefs when it comes to preparing these traditional foods. Plum pudding can be purchased in cans, needing only heating in hot water and the sauce with perhaps a dash of brandy to give added spice. Any cook book should supply a recipe for the latter. Most of us have prepared, or helped to prepare, these holiday meals for as long as we can remember. If we prefer to dine out, it's wise to make plans in advance, so that this Christmas dinner will be no hit-or-miss affair. The fancier restaurants may require reservations well in advance of the holiday.

Ladies from out of town have written asking more information on antique collecting in Manhattan. If one is really interested in collecting artistic or antique curios, there is no better way than to watch the Sunday papers for special

auction sales of fabulous estates. At one such sale of a noted writer's estate, I was recently fortunate enough to acquire a lovely small gold antique lapel watch of green enamel trimmed with seed pearls and tiny diamonds. To grace this watch and other antique jewelry previously acquired, I bid on, and received very reasonably, a bronze jewel box with an inlaid porcelain painting of a lovely lady—a real old and valuable piece. Some lovely old lace, a pair of green decorated glass vases on silver bases and a pair of silver candlestick holders were also purchased by your correspondent at this particular sale. At the time of this writing I am planning to attend another sale of an unusual European estate, brought to New York for auction, but as I have already been too extravagant for one month I feel this time I shall be obliged to restrain myself to "watching the show." At least, those are my present plans, but which so often go awry. Or so I have noticed.

There is something about collecting beautiful and valuable things that gets into the blood, and it might be wise to think twice before starting on this hobby, which can be an expensive pastime. However, many of the purchases made during the year can serve as beautiful gifts at Christmas, for which period we can indeed shop the year around. So I am considering giving my recently acquired vases and candlesticks to two very special bachelor friends as holiday gifts. But not the watch and jewel box, of which I am especially attached—those are my own especial property, to have and to cherish, which I have added to my private collection to make my surroundings more beautiful *arte magistra!*

And that in my opinion is the real value of beautiful and artistic possessions—to make life here on earth more beautiful, to brighten up life's dark corners while we are here. Nowhere else do we reach a fuller realization of the transiency of earthly possessions than when we attend an auction to settle an estate of some rich but demised person. It is then we come face to face with the truth of Grey's *Elegy*,

"The boast of heraldry, the pomp of power,

And all that beauty, all that wealth ere gave

Awaits alike the inevitable hour."

The Essenes, whose pattern the earlier Christians followed through Christ's example, realized this to the extent of renouncing earthly things, that they might better "build up treasures in heaven, where moth and rust cannot corrupt, and where thieves do not break in and steal." Today, we should be able to reach a happy medium, and not identify ourselves too strongly with our prized possessions. We should realize they are only lent, no matter what material price we pay for them, to be ours for a little while here on this earth plane, to make our lives a little brighter and happier. Uranus transiting through Cancer, the sign of the heart's true home, is teaching us this lesson: "To have, to hold," but "in time, let go."

With Uranus in Cancer, for some unfathomable reason, many of us may come to feel like a stranger or a guest, even in our own households, particularly if we were born in one of the cardinal signs. Or we may return from our journeys or necessary exiles to find strangers occupying our homes or apartments, without our knowledge and consent, using or carelessly mishandling our valued treasures. We may be obliged to come face to face with "the stranger at the gate" at the most unexpected times, in the most unforeseen ways. Such is the contrariness of this unpredictable, incalculable and impersonal planet in the sign of the fourth estate—Cancer. It is not what happens to us that matters so much as the way we take it that determines the result. Therefore we should take care, before the event, to safeguard our homes and valuables in every conceivable way, and avoid playing into the hands of the "outsider" or the "friendly enemy."

At Christmas time, I felt it would be fitting to discuss the more serious side of the value of material objects and gift-giving, and all outward symbols of love and devotion. The gift expresses the heart of the giver—no more and no less. Too great a value should not be placed upon these outer manifestations of the Christmas spirit of giving. How wonderful it would be if, instead of telling what we received, it were the custom to tell what we *gave*, in true holiday fashion set by the three wise men so long ago in the stable of Bethlehem.

A happy Yule-tide season to all,

Mary Alma Kidd

CHILDREN'S

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This Service Is Limited to Problems of Children and Adolescents. Individual child Problems Analyzed. For Details Write to Our Children's Department.

Stella Ann Morgan

Dear Mrs. Morgan:

Needless to say, I have been reading your Children's Department in American Astrology. Your advice to others made so much sense to me I just wondered if perhaps you would be interested in my child problem.

I am the mother of three girls. It is my nine-year-old daughter that disturbs me most. She was born October 31, 1944, 1:13 A.M., E.S.T., 39 N., 84 W. In fairness to all concerned, I think I should begin by saying this child was born with an irregular heartbeat. She would not nurse from the beginning and I had to just pour enough food down her for survival. At the age of six she weighed twenty-nine pounds. That year (6 to 7) she gained twenty-six pounds and showed much improvement.

I have used all the common sense God gave me in rearing this child but I just don't understand her. She has a quick and unreasonable temper, but is just as quick to forgive. When excited you can't understand a word she says. She gets angry if I don't understand. She is either up in the air or down in the dumps, has endless energy for anything she wants to do, but I haven't found any way to get her interested in anything that isn't her idea. She is left-handed, writes backwards and upside down.

Her imagination is equal to none. She has an imaginary family consisting of mother, father dear, and wolfie. She was in the first grade last year and I am not saying she didn't learn anything. But she can't, or won't count, read, or learn her colors.

Now Gayle is a darling little girl and I would be happy with her anyway, but I want to do all I can to help her to be happy and she won't be if she gets so far behind other children her age. I just hope you will be able to help me to understand and guide her. I know all

children have imaginary friends and dream worlds of their own. This seems normal in young children. I mentioned Gayles' because her dream world seems larger and requires more of her time.

My birthdate is November 4, 1917, 6:30 P.M., C.S.T., Lat 37 N., Long. 84 W. Her father was born August 6, 1913, 1:30 A.M., E.S.T., 39 N., 85 W.

Mrs. J. N.

A problem of this kind requires clear understanding and tender care in guiding and helping the child help herself. We congratulate Gayle's parents who have evidently never tried to smother her psychic tendencies, nor make light of the imaginary game she is living in her daily life, which is a good thing, since that treatment will go a long way in calming Gayle's highly strung nervous tension.

The mother is correct in saying many young children have invisible playmates. They are apt to live in the psychic world until they are four years old. They see and hear many things older people cannot. A mother who realizes this fact takes particular notice of the child's conversations with these unseen or imaginary beings for she thus learns much that is deeply buried in the subconscious mind of the child. Many parents believe the child still carries over experiences from a past life into this one and has not yet been released from them, while others who do not believe in rebirth are interested in the child's imagination and observe how the mind develops through these one-sided conversations.

Gayle was born with the Mars decanate of Leo rising. She has a fixed angular cross with the Moon in the sign of Taurus. Her Sun, Mars and Mercury are in the sign of the Nadir in the sign of Scorpio. Aquarius covers the seventh house cusp. The Moon is in the ninth house, the Sun, Mars and Mercury in the third, while Pluto is in the sign of the

Ascendant in the twelfth house. The T-Cross is a very strong one, for the degrees of the planets are close. Gayle was born just eight hours before the full Moon.

The fixed signs, especially Leo, has rule over the heart action, hence there was difficulty in an irregular heartbeat at Gayle's birth. The trouble in nursing and swallowing food is indicated through these same signs and planets, as Taurus has rule over the throat and esophagus; the Moon has rule over the synovial (mucus) fluid, sympathetic nervous system and so forth, while Mercury and Mars are connected with the muscular movements and nervous system. The Moon was forming an adverse aspect to these planets and the Sun, including Pluto, during the first twenty-four hours after Gayle's birth. It was the strong Scorpio health resistance of the Sun and Mars that pulled her through.

Between the ages of six and seven she began to show improvement and gained weight. The change in the reactions of her physical body is indicated in the progressed Ascendant, for during that year Mutable Virgo covered this angle and the tension was released so that she was able to get nourishment from her food. It was not until this last year that the sign of mutable Gemini came to the Midheaven of her chart and she went to school. Now she has the mutable cross to work with instead of the fixed cross and will feel more relaxed and respond more quickly to any and all experiences she encounters, including health and mental stimulus. Gayle is now nine years old and has been very slow in development, but there is no need for her mother to be worried as she is the type that will make up for lost time as soon as she is more sure of herself and what she wants.

She is still not exactly consciously alert on this material plane, but more interested in an active world of her own. It remains for her mother to get acquainted with her invisible comrades in order to win Gale's confidence and friendship. The game may prove interesting to both. The fact remains that she must assist her daughter to release her from the tense fixed cross she expressed herself through and adapt herself to the more flexible mutable cross she will be on for many more years to come. Gayle and her mother must learn to carry on con-

versations even if it is about her imaginary friends. She will soon be able to speak more slowly and carefully when she realizes her mother has all the time in the world to listen to her and she is not pressed for words.

Gayle has the emphasis of planets on the eastern side of her map, indicating she must learn her lessons through her own experiences even if these include the making of mistakes and causing people to misunderstand her. She will grow more tactful as she grows older. Her trine aspect between the Sun and Saturn is beneficial, but since Saturn is in detriment in Cancer the influence does not give her the control over her emotions she would like. There is not a satisfactory blend between the earthy and the watery elements, which indicates there is difficulty of expression between the psychic and physical bodies, hence she becomes angry and upset when she is not understood. We must bear in mind the communication she has had with her unseen friends is through thoughts which travel faster than words, consequently her words become tangled up when she tries to express herself. Taking this fact in mind her mother should select her words carefully and say things that are encouraging and which tend to create harmony.

Gayle's psychic tendencies are shown through the emphasis of aspects to Neptune. The majority are beneficial. She has a strong Mars influence that will carry her through many trials and help her to overcome illnesses. Mercury, the planet that has rule over her thoughts and nervous system, has very few aspects. This is not good for it denotes she uses too much nerve resistance and less intellectual planning in all her activities. This is where her mother can do much to help her for she can question Gayle in a way that will incite ideas that can be worked out easily and naturally. The question must be asked so tactfully that Gayle's decision will be along the channels her mother wishes. However, her mother must keep her own objective secret and train Gayle to think things out apparently undirected.

It may be possible her mother can ask Gayle to work out some problems she had in school by the aid of one of her imaginary friends. This method may open the channel of confidence between mother and child and bring in a host of ideas

they can work out together. At least her mother will know whether Gayle has absorbed some of the lessons she had at school.

Gayle was born with her sixth sense well developed. Perhaps she is a child of the new sixth-root sub-race which the occultists and scientists state is to be the pattern of the New Age civilization. This time alone will tell.

Dear Mrs. Morgan:

I would very much appreciate any advice you may be able to give me in straightening out the tangled lives of my daughter's family. You do so much good along these lines and we follow your guidance and advice very closely each month.

Donald, the eldest boy, was born March 29, 1943, 4:36 P.M., 41 N., 96 W. He has good grades in school only when he can be prevailed upon to cooperate and pay attention. He is a constant show off, moody, somewhat dominating and puts up mental blocks so that he can close out everything. You can even feel him blanking out his mind and see it in his expression. It is infuriating when you know he can do anything when he applies himself. About the only way to reach him is to appeal to his sense of competition. Then he will show he can do better than anyone else. And, surprisingly enough, he can when he tries. He can be very polite and charming in manner. When he is punished it only makes matters worse. Only one teacher was interested enough to try to draw him out and he made excellent grades under her supervision. The rest of the teachers felt he should do well because it was the right thing to do, but with them he only closed in on himself and nothing was gained.

This was more or less apparent before the father began drinking and left his family for a woman of questionable repute. His method of correction was too much hitting and slapping. The split home certainly did not do Donald any good.

We have tried to explain things as clearly as possible. Does astrology show what this child's handicap is? Can you advise us the best method of cooperating with it? Can we start now to train him for the work for which he is best adapted?

Mrs. E. N. B.

Donald is an exceptionally bright and intelligent boy. This is shown in the fast-moving Mercury and Moon, which indicates his mental attributes to be those of a child older than his years. Mercury, representing the intellect, ruler of Donald's ascending sign, Virgo, and Mid-heaven sign of Gemini, is found in the sign of Aries conjunction his Sun. This gives him his analytical method of thinking along lines that open up avenues to more knowledge for its own sake. He is well aware that he has a keen mind and can compete with others in almost anything that comes up; in fact, he is very sure of himself. However, he sees no reason for displaying his knowledge because he derives no satisfaction from it as he has no incentive under ordinary conditions.

Mercury in Aries gives a fertile and inventive mind. Donald is quick to observe and originate or invent ideas. The fiery sign of Aries gives him the tendency to be alert and ready to argue over anything that might stir up more activity or lend a cause for debate, since this adds a little more excitement to the monotony of everyday life.

The breaking up of his childhood home did incline Donald to give way to negative tendencies in his nature and to draw an imaginary veil across his alert mind as he comes in contact with others less fanciful. This trait is shown in more than one aspect in his chart.

First, Donald has the Saturn decanate of Virgo rising, with Mercury-Saturn the rulers of his personality. The Ascending sign represents the windows through which the soul views the world. It is here we find that although Donald has a studious nature and good reasoning faculties that endow him with the ability to enjoy skilful and scientific pursuits, he tends to withdraw within himself and give in too readily before difficulties. He is not hopeful, and very seldom shows his real nature openly.

Second, this tendency is further shown in the position of Neptune in his first house near the second cusp of Libra. Neptune in this sign and position is strong and induces the mysterious "something" that blocks the contact and co-operation with other people. Neptune is ruler of Donald's seventh house of Pisces, and Libra is the seventh sign of the Zodiac, representing "other peo-

ple and associates." As Neptune is a planet of deception, Donald either deceives himself or is deceived by others.

Third, Donald's Sun in Aries in square aspect to Jupiter in Cancer denotes difficulty in trying to make himself understood. His feelings take precedence over his thoughts and words. As Sagittarius covers the fourth house cusp, Jupiter has rulership over his home environment. It is here he feels misunderstood as he considers himself unfortunate and inclined to experience disappointment in some way, especially in those things that he most desires. His friends and those particularly interested in his welfare are likely to give him the wrong advice and when he acts on it and finds the mistake he loses confidence in them. He sees no excuse for this (Virgo rising), and if they promise him something and fail to fulfil it he never quite forgets it and holds that against them.

Donald will always have to be careful as to how he expresses himself with people associated with religion and with those pertaining to law and order. He must learn to be true to his own soul and work to the best of his ability under all conditions and no matter what others say. If he considers he is doing the right thing he is justified in his action. He must have more confidence in himself and learn to make his own decisions and be true to them.

It would take too much space to analyze this very fine chart, for Donald has capabilities and attributes that will bring him before the public in some outstanding capacity. Mercury, the ruler of his business profession is in good aspect to the Sun, Saturn and Venus in the Southwest quadrant of his chart, indicating the ability to revise the old order into the new, to invent better systems and improve on conditions in business as well as working environments. He should be excellent in mathematics, science, advertising, and all literary pursuits. Venus, ruler of his second house, representing finance, is found in Taurus, dignified and in the ninth house, indicating he will be able to handle his finances well and be successful in his special line of endeavor.

It hardly seems possible a child who has so many fine potentialities should appear to resign himself to the seeming inevitable. No one else can make him

exert his initiative and use his will power. This is one faculty that must receive stimulation from within. Donald has a strong will power and his grandmother should be a little relieved when he shows it through his angry words and impulsive manner. This energy can be directed along the more constructive course and he will then respond very rapidly in his school work.

Aries people need responsibility to add a balance to their active lives. Donald must have this and it should be an important one. No one should help him make decisions. It would be best if he has no instructions whatsoever as to a course of conduct or action. Give him a job of some kind to do and become interested in it so as to ask questions concerning it, but offer no suggestions. Act pleased and proud of him, but say little. Do not call attention to his personality or mannerisms. When he "blanks" his expression and withdraws his attention it is wise to walk away and lose interest too. It might be a good idea for the teacher to put him in a higher grade, or give him some pupil to help who is not getting along very well with his studies.

His mother should let him pretend he is the man of the house and able to fill his father's place in the management of the household. Trust Donald and let him know it. At present he does not trust himself nor anyone else. He must learn this lesson in faith in his own ability and worth.

Merry Christmas!

Parents — Gift yourself with a working blue print of your child's trends and characteristics.

Give yourself a Christmas gift of understanding.

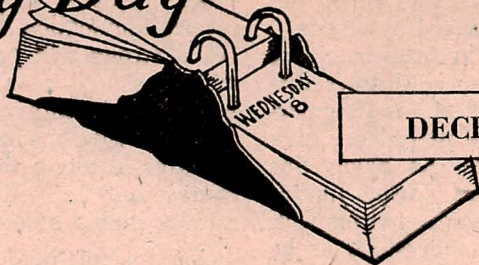
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Day by Day



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For All Signs

Editor's Note: The hour of the Moon's passage over the meridian is given as this marks the culmination of the transient rhythm of the day.

There is a relatively slight variation of the time of the Lunar Transit of the meridian for various Standard Time Zones. For all practical purposes the time given herewith, when changed to local Standard Time, may be accepted for any locality in the United States. Time given is Eastern Standard Time.

Rose Campbell Starr

Tuesday—December 1
Lunar Transit—8:02 A.M.

Venus ruler—A morning to give those who delight in finding a target (or a victim) for their aggressive urges a wide berth. Stem force, coercion, especially in romantic contacts. People will resent being pushed, or being told what to do. Those who remain adamant and adhere to their basic principles will make no mistakes of judgment. Action may be taken in the early eve on well considered projects.

Wednesday—December 2
Lunar Transit—8:45 A.M.

Venus ruler—Today's early hours are the most favorable for action taken under the impetus of logic coupled with intuition. Cooperation, consideration for others' rights and privileges and a proper estimation of values are never wasted, and are now due to attract kindly returns or dividends, at least in the cosmic bank. Love or happiness may be waiting to be grasped by the enterprising and the deservng. Keen ideas merit consideration, respect.

Thursday—December 3
Lunar Transit—9:29 A.M.

Pluto ruler—Attention to duty, especially over joint finances or property assets, or where elders are involved, may now be called for. A good time to take stock with an eye on future security, to do early holiday shopping, especially for bargains.

Friday—December 4
Lunar Transit—10:17 A.M.

Pluto ruler—A time when we should be able to approach issues with just the proper persuasive touch or note of ap-

peal; particularly a favorable time to buy unique gifts, with just the right touch of originality for some special friend or loved one. News received may favorably surprise; contacts prove stimulating and inspiring. Dividends may accrue to advance interest, but relax and don't press a good thing too far in the late p.m.

Saturday—December 5
Lunar Transit—11:19 A.M.

Pluto ruler—the "wee sma'" hours of this morning may bring pleasure to night owls, pleasant repose to those who are abed, who should wake with a consciousness of life's serene and joyful purpose. Even those of us who, like Mrs. Gumidge, feel that "everything goes contrary" may feel that life's worth living this morning. Those who are confident and "lucky" may reap a deserved or surprising profit in some field of endeavor. It is wise now to seek to establish a basis of sound security.

Sunday—December 6
Lunar Transit—12:03 P.M.

Jupiter ruler—New mental and emotional reactions point to a new round of activity, or a renewal of ideals and aspirations in the hearts of the confident and just. But don't push things through too rapidly this p.m.; relax and keep plans within reasonable bounds, leaving plenty of leeway for the "incalculable factor." Contacts or ideas should stimulate and inspire tonight.

Monday—December 7
Lunar Transit—12:59 P.M.

Jupiter ruler—Ideas, energies, motivations are steered now into loftier, more impersonal channels. Opportunity, good

fortune, is waiting to be grasped during the a.m. hours, especially by those energetic ones who have a knack of being in the right place at the right time, and who take action at just the opportune moment. But by late p.m. a turn-about-face attitude may let down, disturb. The sensible thing to do is to withdraw when others become unruly or difficult, and seek the golden atmosphere of solitude and silence—at home. Beware controversies, rebellious contacts, contrary people.

Tuesday—December 8
Lunar Transit—1:53 P.M.

Saturn ruler—A good time to attend to practical concerns, routine projects, everyday work. Familiar patterns of life bind ties of felicity, put balm on late yesterday's hurts. If you were sidetracked yesterday for any reason, now is the time to get back on the track, or in the groove.

Wednesday—December 9
Lunar Transit—2:47 P.M.

Saturn ruler—Relationships are apt to prove disturbing or downright disappointing this morning. A time to steer clear of unnecessary contacts with superiors who are apt to be in a disgruntled mood. Haste makes waste just now, so take it easy. Late p.m., action inspired by the right motivation should produce results.

Thursday—December 10
Lunar Transit—3:39 P.M.

Uranus ruler—An early obstacle to the realization of a desire or fond wish may be met, waited out or surmounted by afternoon; or a change of schedule may be decided upon for the good of all concerned. Kindly consideration and attention are never wasted. Inspired action may induce profit tonight, especially in artistic fields.

Friday—December 11
Lunar Transit—4:29 P.M.

Uranus ruler—The major accomplishments of today are apt to be more successful if they are impersonal, or favor altruistic goals. Those who see beyond their own backyards may make excellent strides toward success in idealistic or humanitarian interests. The wise take time to decide, and refuse to be coerced or driven; but once a decision is made, action under the stimulus of determination and aggressive purpose may lead to accomplishment and results by late evening.

Saturday—December 12
Lunar Transit—5:18 P.M.

Neptune ruler—A better day for rou-

tine or everyday work and interests than for carrying out new plans or making social contacts. Artistic interests or pursuits are favored in the evening, especially in the entertainment field. A good Saturday night to attend a 3 D thriller, or even to write one, if literarily inclined.

Sunday—December 13
Lunar Transit—6:06 P.M.

Neptune ruler — Grandiose schemes, high-faluting ideas should be curbed today, to avoid disappointment or letdown. A good thing it's Sunday and not a shopping day else there'd be many purchases made only to be exchanged later. The P.M. is more favorable, with a friendly surprise possible; but take time to count change and safeguard valuables, day and night.

Monday—December 14
Lunar Transit—6:55 P.M.

Mars ruler — Action taken under proper motivation and wise direction stands a good chance to succeed now. Stamina and proper forethought unite to achieve a purpose. Those who possess courage and initiative, and who are not blown about like straws on the winds of chance and change are today's favored. Victory is the reward of the valiant, the enterprising and the strong.

Tuesday—December 15
Lunar Transit—7:37 P.M.

Mars ruler—While the a.m. hours are congenial, even fortunate for many, disturbance or trouble may stem from unforeseen elements as the unwary hit snags of discord later in the day. True leaders, whether of self or others, will remain steady and in control, however, avoiding unreliable emotional appeals, stultifying conditions, confused responses, secrets, intrigue. Staid, sensible logic averts errors, miscalculations.

Wednesday—December 16
Lunar Transit—8:42 P.M.

Venus ruler—Difficulties may come to a head or problems call for a showdown today. It is wise to discard non-essentials provided the baby isn't thrown out with the bath-water, so to speak. If there is an element of doubt, it is well to defer, and decide later. Friendly surprises, with the probability of interesting developments in the social, creative or entertainment fields, may develop in the eve, for the success and profit of enterprising individuals.

Thursday—December 17
Lunar Transit—9:39 P.M.

Venus ruler—Those who possess in-

initiative and the ability to grasp opportunity or the unexpected should be able to increase their financial scope or assets of worth today. Aims may be extended, boundaries widened for advancement, profit. Love, pleasure, trips, social interests, all come in for their place in the spotlight of today's activities. But better call it a day early, so as to be in a restful mood prior to 10 P.M., E.S.T.

Friday—December 18
Lunar Transit—10:39 P.M.

Venus ruler—After yesterday's probably unusual activity or diversity of interests, today calls for a respite and deserved rest, if such can be conveniently arranged. Otherwise routine matters favored. Wait out minor opposition.

Saturday—December 19
Lunar Transit—11:40 P.M.

Mercury ruler — Delays, irritations, misunderstandings may mark today's very early hours. Don't force issues that involve values, whether of material assets, love, or spiritual ideals. Later in the day, news or moves may surprise, prove profitable. Opportunity may knock at the door of the wide awake and the deserving, with happiness the reward of the generous and just.

Sunday—December 20
No Lunar Transit

Mercury ruler—Unique ability, the inspired approach toward the attainment of a creative or ambitious goal, increases the business and financial outlook of many this morning. A turning point in affairs may be reached, and the right start made toward attainment and industrious enterprise. The steadfast and the valiant don't take no for an answer, but forge ahead with diligence and steadfast purpose.

Monday—December 21
Lunar Transit—0:39 A.M.

Moon ruler—Prolific ideas bid fair to aid advancement and increase value or assets this early morning. By taking a straight, rational course or conduct, much ground may be covered. But the afternoon spells immoderation in social matters for those easily swayed by emotional appeals. It would be wise to keep control of heart, head and pocketbook and so avoid scattering assets and mixing values. A surprise or the unexpected may occur late at night.

Tuesday—December 22
Lunar Transit—1:34 A.M.

Moon ruler—The original approach starts the day off with high colors, to run into some uncertainty or probable

confusion, even dissension as the day advances and turns into evening. A cautious procedure is wise, day and night, especially in regard to holiday preparations, shopping, plans.

Wednesday—December 23
Lunar Transit—2:26 A.M.

Sun ruler—If late shopping is scheduled for today, it would be wise to practice moderation and keep within the budget. If trips are planned, proceed carefully. It would be well to relax and recuperate nervous energy.

Thursday—December 24
Lunar Transit—3:12 A.M.

Sun ruler—This should be an active day, with much industrious activity and carrying out of last-minute holiday plans. The favors of love and loyalty attract generous returns or gifts, ranging all the way from friendly surprises to grand gestures. P.M., relax for a pleasant time, if at all possible.

Friday—December 25
Lunar Transit—3:56 A.M.

Mercury ruler — This should be a bright and pleasant Christmas, with courageous hearts attracting benefits, love, pleasure, tranquillity and stability. Ideal gifts and consideration should reward loving and generous hearts. A Merry Christmas to all.

Saturday—December 26
Lunar Transit—4:37 A.M.

Mercury ruler—A time to continue to adhere to steady purpose and not rely upon bright promises in the afternoon, nor expect too much. Later, keen new ideas advance interests. A surprise may favor.

Sunday—December 27
Lunar Transit—5:17 A.M.

Mercury ruler—A time to make resolute plans to be carried to fruition in the near future. If journeys are planned, these are now well favored. Express high, inspirational ideas or methods, and push plans for success.

Monday—December 28
Lunar Transit—5:57 A.M.

Venus ruler—The holiday week takes a more serious tone today, calling for attention to business or more mundane affairs of life. A good time to settle issues, make exchanges, decide and agree, when necessary. Firm attitudes, tactics or methods are best.

Tuesday—December 29
Lunar Transit—6:39 A.M.

Venus ruler—Generous, considerate at-
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Astra-Cooks

in the

KITCHEN

Vertex

SAGITTARIUS, as a rule, is not a particularly good cook, unless there are other factors in the chart to make her so. She usually owns to this shortcoming freely, and often only cooks because she must. Many Sagittarian women do not attempt anything but the simplest dishes. A Sagittarian's methods are sometimes rather slap-dash. Cooking is not usually an art to her but a tiresome necessity to be gotten through as quickly as possible, along with washing the dishes afterward.

Sagittarius would seldom dream of measuring anything, so that it is a question of luck as to whether the dish turns out successfully or not. And she can seldom be induced to watch a saucepan on the stove. She puts it on and then a knock comes at the door and she goes to answer it. She is apt to stay conversing (she is an inveterate talker) until an unmistakable odor is wafted to her nostrils and she flies back to the kitchen, only to find a blackened mass sticking to the bottom of the saucepan!

"Drat the thing!" she says, and it never occurs to her for a moment that it is her fault. She blames the food, the fire, the saucepan, the caller—everything but the real culprit. Milk and toast are her "bete noir." She has only to turn her head for a split second, and the milk is all over the stove, and the toast a charred ruin!

But she is not downhearted for long, for she knows she has an unfailing friend in need—cans. What she would do without cans I do not know. And she is not ashamed of having burnt the dinner—Virgo would never hold up her head again after a similar experience—but relates it to her husband as an amusing incident. Whether he considers it amusing is not revealed!

The normal Sagittarian, unlike Taurus or Cancer, seldom thinks much about what he is going to eat. He likes things plain and prefers salads to cooked vegetables, which is perhaps just as well!

The following is a tasty dish which is quickly prepared. Take any odds and

ends of meat and "leftovers" of vegetables, etc.—not too much of any one thing—and chop everything, finely. Make a suet paste with one portion of suet to two of flour. Blend with cold water. There should be about the same quantity of the paste as the meat and vegetables. Mix the chopped meat and vegetables well with the paste, add seasoning, and stir all together thoroughly. Place in a greased dish in a moderate oven for about three-quarters of an hour, or until it has risen and browned. Serve hot.

The male Sagittarian seldom gets beyond the frying pan. His great delight is to catch a juicy trout from the river, and in the cool of the evening, to fry it over a fire of sticks and turf that he has gathered himself. To hear it sizzling in the pan is music to his ears, and he will stretch himself on the grass and lazily puff at his pipe, watching for the right moment to turn the fish.

The smell of the frying trout and the delicate odor of tobacco smoke will blend with that of the earth and the scent of wild honey-suckle, and his soul will be filled with contentment and well-being. He knows just the right moment to take the trout from the fire, and, believe me, no fish ever tasted better.

Sagittarius likes to shoot his own game, but he does not cook that himself, as the preparation of plucking and dressing are too involved for him.

A quick way of treating cold chicken or game is to chop it, not too finely, and blend it with a thick white sauce, flavored with lemon (or canned mushroom soup with no water added is a good substitute for the sauce). Place in ramekin dishes or scallop shells, cover lightly with bread-crumbs and dot with butter, and place in the oven or under the grill to brown.

Sagittarius often likes to bring home, from his travels abroad, recipes of dishes he has enjoyed in foreign lands. He gives them to his cook, but he is always disappointed in the result as they do not taste at all the same to him as when he ate them abroad.

The Weather

For

December 1953

Francis J. Socey, Jr.

THE WEATHER-VANE

Temperatures will be below zero in the Northern Rockies to Mich. and N. Eng. and milder in Southwest and Southeastern U. S.

The winter will be very wet in Atlantic Coast States and the Northern Rockies, and cold in N. Dak. to Okla. and Tenn. In the east there will be a very extreme but divided line between weather elements evidenced by sudden changes on very short notice from rain to snow and ice to slush.

Atlantic Coast:

1st thru 4th: Slow but definite clearing with much cloudiness and snow squalls in the mountains from Me. thru N. H. into central N. Y., decreasing on 3rd and 4th to become clear and cold with below zero temperatures. Deep freezing into Ga. on 2nd and 3rd; clearing in Fla. after early showers. Watch for a real cold period with storm warnings southern N. Eng. waters on 2nd and 3rd.

5th thru 7th: Clear E. Me. to R. I. and coastal states to Fla.; increasing cloudiness in N. H., Vt., N. Y. to C. Pa. and the mountains to Ga. on 5th, moving to the coast by late 7th. Rain and snow should be moderate in northern states.

8th thru 10th: Considerable cloudiness, much fog in lowlands and along coast; local showers and rain or snow; very unsettled south of Va. on all days.

11th thru 13th: Slow but general clearing and colder with winds on 11th and 12th; clear and colder to coast on 13th; snow squalls in Me. and No. N. H. and Vt.

14th thru 17th: One of the best opportunities of rain and snow because of storms moving N.E. thru the Ohio Valley to N. H. on late 15th and on 16th. Clearing in Ga. and S. C. to Fla. on 16th with rain or snow from Va. to Me. on 15th thru 17th. Watch for

rain and snow, and storm warnings in coastal waters from Cape Hatteras to Eastport.

18th thru 20th: Generally fair and colder Va. to Fla. on 18th; increasing cloudiness with some rain or snow Md. to N. H. and Mass. on 18th; some rain or snow and colder on 19th, followed by clear and colder weather with winds to S. N. Eng. It will be quite chilly.

21st thru 23rd: Slow increasing cloudiness in Ga. and W. Fla., to mountains of Carolinas; generally fair eastern portion on 21st; variable cloudiness elsewhere. Rain south of Va.; rain or snow Va. to coastal N. Eng.; snow elsewhere by 23rd.

24th thru 26th: Somewhat cloudy and not cold with some rain and snow showers to S. N. Eng.; clearing elsewhere, except showers from C. Md. to Ga. on 24th. Generally clear except cloudiness and light showers N. Eng. and showers S. Fla. on 25th, while general cloudiness west portions on 26th. 27th thru 31st: Rain and snow quite heavy Pa., W. Va., Western Va. to S. N. Eng. on 29th and 30th; clear and mild in E. S. C. to Fla. with increasing showers along shores on 31st, while rain and snow in all N. Eng. and slow clearing south along the mountains.

States East of the Mississippi River:

1st thru 3rd: General clearing and colder with winds over the entire section but some showers in the mountains. It will be quite cold on 1st and 2nd, little change on 3rd, and warmer with increasing cloudiness in Mich., Ill., W. Ky. and W. Tenn. on 4th.

4th thru 6th: General cloudiness on 5th in Mich., Ind., Ill., Ky., Tenn., and La., with showers in Mich. and Ill. on 4th, moving into Ind. and Ky. to Tenn. on 6th, and east into Ohio to Ala. on 6th.

7th thru 13th: Fast-moving pressure areas move across the Great Lakes with much cloudiness and many snow and rain showers for several days, with some rain in La., Miss. and Ala. on 11th and 12th. Generally fair on 13th. This is not an exceptional cold period south of the Ohio River.

14th thru 16th: A storm from Texas area brings rain and snow with ice from S. Ohio, Ind. and Ill.; part cloudy to fair in Mich. to N. Ill., Ind. and Ohio on 14th, becoming general on 15th, while clear to clearing La. to Miss. on 15th. Decreasing clouds on 16th in Mich., some showers E. Ohio; clear along the Gulf.

17th thru 20th: Continued clear and cold with deep frost and some zero weather in Mich. and frost to Ala.

21st thru 23rd: Some rain and showers in Mich., increasing cloudiness La. to Ala. with rain by night of 21st moving N.E. rapidly on 22nd and 23rd. Moderate to heavy rain and snow in Mich. to Ala. thru E. Ky. and Tenn., clearing W. Ky. and Tenn. to Miss. on 23rd.

24th thru 26th: Snow in Mich., Ill., and rain or snow, increasing cloudiness Ind. and Ohio to Miss., partly cloudy to fair in Ala. on 24th; snow in C. to E. Mich., Ind., and into Miss., some snow in Ohio and Ind. to Ala. on 25th; clearing general on late 25th and 26th.

27th thru 31st: The persistence of mild air in Ala. and Miss. will bring much cloudiness and rain or snow in Ky. to Miss. and Ala. on 29th and 30th, with some variable cloudiness and scattered showers in Ill. moving south on 31st. Watch for real heavy rain or snow with ice now.

States West of the Mississippi River:

1st thru 4th: Rapid falling temperatures with clearing conditions but persistent cloudiness and some snow in N. Dak. to Nebr. until 3rd, with general clearing on 4th. Watch for low temperatures to Nebr. with frost to S. Tex. on 2nd and rain with cloudiness on 4th.

5th thru 7th: Much cloudiness, milder with rain and showers in much of the states on 5th and 6th, and in N. Dak. to Iowa on 7th with slow clearing W. N. Dak. to Kans. and Okla.; unsettled in Mo. to Tex.

8th thru 13th: This will be a period of

open weather, clear and moderate until 13th, when cloudiness will increase in Tex. to W. Okla. with some showers and rain or snow by night.

14th thru 17th: Rain or snow Nebr., Kans. and Iowa, partly cloudy to fair and cold in the Dakotas and Wisc., considerable cloudiness in Minn.; partly cloudy to fair in Tex. and La. on 14th and 15th; rain and snow with winds and perhaps a short blizzard to all Dakotas, Iowa and Nebr. on 16th; clear and moderate from Okla. to S. Tex.; somewhat unsettled in Dakotas to Nebr. and clear with rising temperatures in south.

18th thru 20th: Generally clear and cooler with no real sub-zero temperatures.

21st thru 23rd: A storm in N. or S. D. brings much snow and increasing danger of a blizzard now, moving into Nebr. by 23rd, moving south and followed to the River with rapidly falling temperatures. However, it should be short-lived.

24th thru 26th: Much cloudiness and milder with little rain or snow in any of these states on 24th and 25th, with clearing conditions to Okla. on 26th. Watch for colder weather moving into N. D. and Wisc. on 26th.

27th thru 31st: Fair in Dakotas, variable, good rain or snow in Iowa and Mo. to E. Tex. and La. Much cloudiness north and west to Tex. becoming generally clear on 29th and 30th, with a little cloudiness on 31st south to Nebr. and Iowa, also milder.

The Rockies and the Pacific Coast

1st thru 4th: Rain and snow S. E. Utah and S. E. Nev., S. W. Mont., also W. Wash. and Oreg., somewhat cloudy in Mont. and Colo.; unsettled in Wyo., variable cloudiness in Calif. to N. Utah on 1st and 2nd. Clear and cold Utah, Nev. to Mont.; rain and snow W. Wash. and W. Oreg.; variable cloudiness E. Wash., E. Oreg., E. Colo., and N. Mex. on 3rd, decreasing cloudiness and showers in Wash., Oreg., and S. E. N. Mex. Clear and cool elsewhere on 4th.

5th thru 7th: Persistent showers along Wash. Coast and N. Mex., while clear and moderate elsewhere on 5th; the coastal storm moves inland in Nev. with much cloudiness east into C.

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Your Garden

A SCIENTIFIC GUIDE FOR
FARMING, PLANTING,
FISHING, ETC.



Charles R. Hook

GOING FISHING

When the Moon is in its Last Quarter and New Moon phases with a high barometer reading, your chances of good fishing are best. The best period is Dec. 1st to 9th and Dec. 28th to 31st. The good days are Dec. 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 25th, 26th and 27th. Low average days are Dec. 14th to 24th inclusive.

Planting by the Moon

Plants that produce their yield above the soil, and grow with a root formation, similar to peas, beans, sweetpeas and marigolds, should be planted when the Moon is New and in First Quarter. Plants that produce their yield in the soil, similar to potato, beet, tulip and gladiolus, should be planted when Moon is Full or in Last Quarter. Plant in Last Quarter only when necessary as it is not considered a good phase for planting. Never plant when the soil is bone dry or too wet and cold to start germination.

Time given is *Eastern Standard Time*.

Flower Garden: Dec. 1st to 4th inclusive, Dec. 28th, 29th, 30th and 31st, are only fair for planting, but favor root separation of perennial plants and planting the same and making cuttings to root for future plantings. Where climate permits, transplant trees, shrubs and bulb type plants on those days. Dec. 7th after 11:32 A.M., Dec. 8th, and up to 5:57 P.M. Dec. 9th, 16th and 17th, fair for planting seed of plants that grow with a root formation, also for slipping and transplanting. Dec. 12th and 13th are good for the same work. Dec. 20th after 9:42 A.M., Dec. 21st, and up to 3:27 P.M. Dec. 22nd, Dec. 27th after 12:11 P.M., are good for root separation, bulb planting, and taking cuttings to root, plant trees and shrubs.

Seeding for Hay, Grain, Cereals, and Lawn Making: The fair dates are Dec. 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th, also after 11:32

A.M. Dec. 7th, Dec. 8th, and up to 5:57 P.M. Dec. 9th, Dec. 16th, 17th, and after 12:11 P.M. Dec. 27th, Dec. 28th, 29th, 30th and 31st. The good days are Dec. 12th and 13th. The best time is Dec. 20th after 9:42 A.M., Dec. 21st, and up to 5:27 P.M. Dec. 22nd.

Weaning Animals and Changing their Feed: Use the dates of Dec. 5th to 13th inclusive. The best days are Dec. 8th and 9th.

Pruning, Nipping Buds and Cutting Grass: Fair for slow growth, Dec. 1st, 2nd, 28th and 29th. Good for slow growth, Dec. 3rd, 4th, 20th, 21st, 30th and 31st. Fair for fast growth, Dec. 8th, 9th, 16th and 17th. Good for fast growth, Dec. 12th and 13th.

Laying Sod: See *Seeding for Lawns*.

Irish Potatoes and Bulb-Type Plants: Fair on Dec. 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 28th, 29th, 30th and 31st. The good days are Dec. 20th after 9:42 A.M., Dec. 21st, and up to 3:27 P.M. Dec. 22nd.

Harvesting Seed for Replanting: Lunar planted seed make the best plants when harvested and replanted the next season. The best dates are Dec. 1st, 2nd, Dec. 27th after 12:11 P.M., Dec. 28th, and up to midnight Dec. 29th.

Harvesting Hay, Fodder, Grain, Cereals and Storage of Grain: The best time is Dec. 1st, Dec. 2nd up to 4:28 P.M., after 12:11 P.M. Dec. 27th, Dec. 28th and 29th. A fair time is after 3:27 P.M. Dec. 22nd and Dec. 23rd and 24th.

Harvesting Fruit and Root Crops: The fair dates are Dec. 1st, 2nd, and after 12:11 P.M. Dec. 27th, and Dec. 28th and 29th. The best time is Dec. 5th, after 3:27 P.M. Dec. 22nd, and Dec. 23rd and 24th.

Routine farm and garden work is such work as plowing, spading, dragging and raking, to get soil in shape for planting, also all other work except planting.

Farmer's Daily Guide

Dec. 1.—Last Quarter, Moon in Libra, fair for planting crops that produce their yield in the soil. Use animal fertilizer, peat moss, compost, leaves, etc.

Dec. 2.—Do the same work today as yesterday up to 4:28 P.M., after which do tomorrow's tasks.

Dec. 3-4.—Moon in Last Quarter, sign of Scorpio. Do the same work listed for Dec. 1st and 2nd and in addition, make preserves, jellies, pickles and soap, slaughter animals for food, can vegetables, fruit and meat, make fruit and vegetable juices, wine, sauerkraut and preserve eggs, lay shingles, paint and set fence posts.

Dec. 5.—Do tasks listed for tomorrow.

Dec. 6—Sunday.—If you must work, do only routine farm and garden work.

Dec. 7.—Do routine farm and garden work up to 11:32 A.M. today; after that time the Moon is in a planting sign; see tomorrow.

Dec. 8.—New Moon period, Moon in Capricorn. Fair for planting crops that produce their yield above the soil. Do transplanting of vegetables and use chemical fertilizers.

Dec. 9.—Do the same work today you did yesterday up to 5:57 P.M., also set goose eggs. After 5:57 P.M., see work listed for Dec. 10th.

Dec. 10.—Do routine farm and garden work, also set goose eggs.

Dec. 11.—Do routine farm and garden work, also set duck and turkey eggs.

Dec. 12.—New Moon period, Moon in Pisces. Good for planting above-ground producing crops; do transplanting of vegetables, use chemical fertilizers, set duck and turkey eggs and purchase baby poultry hatched today.

Dec. 13—Sunday.—Plant crops that produce their yield above the soil. Do transplanting, use chemical fertilizers, and purchase baby poultry hatched today.

Dec. 14-15.—Do routine farm and garden work.

Dec. 16-17.—First Quarter, Moon in Taurus. Fair for planting and transplanting above-ground producing plants. Use chemical fertilizers.

Dec. 18-19.—Do routine farm and garden work, also set chicken and goose eggs.

Dec. 20—Sunday.—Full Moon period in Cancer at 9:49 A.M. If you work, plant crops that produce their yield in the soil; slaughter animals for food, can vegetables, fruit and meat, make vegetable and fruit juices, wine, sauerkraut and preserve eggs, use animal fertilizers, and set duck and turkey eggs.

Dec. 21.—Good for the same work as yesterday.

Dec. 22.—Do the same work today as yesterday up to 3:27 P.M., except do not set eggs. After 3:27 P.M., do work listed for tomorrow.

Dec. 23-24.—Do routine farm and garden work, make preserves, jellies, pickles and soap, lay shingles, paint and set fence posts.

Dec. 25—Christmas Day.—Do only necessary or routine work.

Dec. 26.—Good for routine farm and garden work.

Dec. 27—Sunday.—A good day for church and reading. Set chicken eggs.

Dec. 28.—Last Quarter of Moon in Libra. Fair for planting crops that produce their yield in the soil. Use animal manure, peat moss, compost and lime for fertilizers; set chicken eggs.

Dec. 29.—Do the same work today as yesterday but set no eggs.

Dec. 30-31.—Last Quarter, Moon in Scorpio. Fair for planting crops that produce their yield in the soil. Make preserves, jellies, pickles and soap; slaughter animals for food; can vegetables, fruit and meat; make vegetable and fruit juices, wine, sauerkraut and preserve eggs; use animal fertilizers, compost, peat moss and lime; lay shingles, paint and set fence posts.

Over the Fence

In this department, Mr. Hook answers personal questions about your gardening problems. All articles are written about three months in advance of publication, therefore no answers will appear prior to that time.

Good morning neighbors! With the publication of this issue of *American Astrology* we have completed our fifteenth year of this series. Your many letters of questions and approval of this department have helped to make it more interesting to a great number of readers.

Many persons scoff at the idea that the Moon has anything to do with our daily tasks. I only wish they could read the hundreds of letters I have on file from readers through the years this column has appeared in *American Astrology*.

Generally those who scoff at Lunar planting are those who know the least about plant life, culture, care or plant requirements. Many people do not know that some plants are alkaline-loving and others are acid-loving plants. Each must have the proper fertilizer for proper growth. The hardy, half-hardy and tender

varieties of plants may also be strangers to some gardeners. Also, it is foolish to plant in soil too wet and cold to start germination of bulb or seed, or to plant in bone-dry soil, as seed or bulb must have moisture to germinate. If these conditions are overlooked by the planter, he cannot blame Lunar Planting for his failure.

Some seed and bulbs over a year old refuse to germinate. Be sure you have new seed saved from the previous year. In some of our hardy plant varieties, the seed must winter out and freeze before it will germinate, while the tender varieties will rot in the soil before spring. Be sure you know your plants and you will have better luck in gardening.

This *Over the Fence* department is your space for questions and answers on farm or garden work for the coming year.

Hindu Astrology*

Mirror of the Earth
(December, 1953)

Pritam Singh Gill

AS the Shankrant for this month falls on Tuesday, Dec. 15th, in the tenth Tathi of the Moon, we may look forward to some unusual activities in the field of international politics. There are likely to be signs of trouble and unrest in the world's most strategic belt, namely all that vast area extending from Gibraltar on the one hand and stretching all the way to Japan on the other. The important nations of the West, particularly Great Britain and France, will pay more and more attention to the vast regions of Africa. The situation in Indo-China still remains critical and despite conciliatory gestures advanced by France, military action still will play a decisive role in the internal affairs of that troubled land. Korea, though nominally at peace, will remain a big question mark on the world horizon.

U. S. A.—Some very important news will be coming from the technical research department of the military services. It will tend to clarify some of the mysteries in connection with the so-called flying saucers. The economic situation remains very good and we will see record-breaking sales in the department stores this month. General business activity will remain high all through the first half of next year. The department of labor will come under criticism from organized labor. Farmers will demand a more vigorous action in the field of price supports in the face of falling farm prices. However, this situation of falling prices will not continue for long.

U.S.S.R.—The leaders in the Kremlin will pursue a stronger policy in relations with foreign powers. This will be due more to internal unrest than to her possession of the secret of the Hydrogen bomb. Russia will continue by any method to win over Iran (Persia). This will remain a focal point in her Foreign Policy.

Great Britain—This country will try to reach an amicable agreement with Egypt and may withdraw her armed forces from the Suez Canal Zone. Her

foreign commerce will expand; she will make outstanding progress in the field of military and commercial aviation. Her labor leaders will swing more and more to the left and there is likely to be a new leader for her Labor Party. She will continue to experience some difficulties in her African colonies, despite the vigorous measures she has been forced to adopt towards the Mau-Mau terrorists. Princess Margaret Rose will be very much in the news.

France—This country, despite her many efforts to the contrary, has been losing ground lately in her affections with the Arab-Asian Nations. We may expect some very important declaration of Policy coming from her in the not far distant future.

The Middle and Near East—Due to the visit there of our Vice-President, the countries of this region will assume a more friendly and cooperative attitude. This will go far in easing some of the tension existing in that part of the world. We may expect the participation of India in the Korean Political conference. Pakistan and India will be on the verge of reaching an agreement on the Kashmir question. Some friction will continue to exist between Israel and her Arab neighbors.

U.N.—The United Nations will take a definite step towards the Trieste problem, and in spite of the sword-rattling that is going on, we will see a peaceful solution of this problem. Under the leadership of Madame Pandit, the United Nations will play an important role in healing the many wounds of this sick world of ours, and the prayers of all men of good will go with her in the fulfilment of her high task.

We take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks to the many friends who have taken an earnest interest in our contributions to this magazine and we wish to extend our heartiest greetings to all for a very Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year.

★ Based on Hindu interpretation of the zodiac.

When To Act

There is a right and a wrong time to do things. One can enrich his daily living by using astrology to his own advantage.

Ann McMullin

Good Days for December, 1953

COURTSHIP

For a successful first date and opportunity for a happy friendship: Dec. 3rd, 4th, 10th, 11th, 16th, 17th, 23rd, 24th.

Attend a dance, musical or any of the arts: Dec. 1st, 2nd, 5th, 6th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 28th, 29th.

Dining out—specializing in good food: Dec. 4th, 5th, 16th, 17th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 26th, 29th.

Outdoor activities—golf, baseball, football, races: Dec. 5th, 15th, 16th, 19th, 23rd, 24th, 26th.

Writing letters for a pleasant reception: Dec. 3rd A.M., 4th, 5th, 13th, 19th A.M., 23rd, 24th.

MARRIAGE

For the ceremony, for happiness and permanency: Dec. 4th, 23rd, 24th.

PERSONAL AFFAIRS

When to get a permanent for hair difficult to hold wave: Dec. 16th, 17th.

Hair cut to stimulate growth: Dec. 12th, 13th.

Hair cut to retard growth and keep permanent longer: Dec. 3rd, 4th, 23rd, 24th, 30th, 31st.

Do not wear apparel for the first time: Dec. 3rd, 4th, 23rd, 24th, 30th, 31st.

Designing and cutting cloth: Dec. 1st, 2nd, 5th, 6th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th.

Sewing and mending: Dec. 1st, 2nd, 5th, 6th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th.

Baking: Dec. 1st, 2nd, 7th P.M., 8th, 9th, 14th, 15th, 20th P.M., 21st, 22nd, 28th, 29th.

Dehydration or drying: Dec. 5th, 23rd, 24th.

Canning: Dec. 3rd, 4th, 21st, 22nd, 30th, 31st.

First consultation with a lawyer on a particular case: Dec. 4th, 5th, 11th A.M., 13th, 23rd, 24th.

Start construction of home-ground lay-

ing: Dec. 10th, 11th, 16th, 17th, 23rd, 24th.

Pour concrete for stability: Dec. 3rd, 4th, 30th, 31st.

Painting—to start a job for most satisfactory results: Dec. 3rd, 4th, 23rd, 24th, 30th, 31st.

Move into a new home for permanency: Dec. 10th, 11th, 16th, 17th.

Choose house furnishings that blend well together: Dec. 6th, 7th A.M., 16th, 17th.

Entertainment in home to assure a pleasant time for all: Dec. 1st, 2nd, 5th, 6th, 20th, 21st, 28th, 29th.

To make calls on friends and neighbors: Dec. 3rd, 5th, 13th, 16th, 17th, 23rd, 24th.

Fishing: Dec. 3rd, 4th, 12th, 13th, 20th P.M., 21st, 22nd, 30th, 31st.

Photography: Dec. 1st, 2nd, 4th, 16th, 17th, 21st, 28th, 29th.

FINANCE

Apply for a position: Dec. 3rd, 4th, 5th, 13th, 23rd, 24th.

Apply for a raise in salary: Dec. 4th, 5th, 13th, 23rd, 24th.

Collect debts: Dec. 1st, 2nd, 7th P.M., 8th, 9th, 14th, 15th, 20th P.M., 21st, 22nd, 28th, 29th.

Buy real estate to hold and sell at a profit later: Dec. 4th A.M., 23rd, 24th.

Buy real estate for quick turn over and profit: Dec. 13th A.M., 21st.

Sell real estate: Dec. 3rd A.M., 4th, 5th, 19th, 26th.

Sign legal and important papers: Dec. 4th, 5th, 23rd, 24th.

Buy a car with most satisfactory results: Dec. 22nd P.M., 23rd.

Buy clothing for fit and beauty: Dec. 1st, 2nd, 5th, 6th, 16th, 17th, 21st, 23rd, 24th, 28th, 29th.

Buy shoes for comfort and wear: Dec. 1st, 2nd, 12th, 13th, 16th, 17th, 28th, 29th.

Advertising—to start a new project or

sales campaign: Dec. 3rd, 4th, 6th.

Renting for a lengthy period: Dec. 3rd, 4th, 10th, 11th, 16th, 17th, 23rd, 24th, 30th, 31st.

Credit purchases easier to liquidate: Dec. 6th, 7th A.M., 16th, 17th.

Selling manuscripts: Dec. 4th, 5th, 13th, 23rd, 24th.

HEALTH

Appointment with medical doctor: Dec. 4th, 5th, 13th, 23rd, 24th.

Appointment with dentist for fillings or plate impressions: Dec. 3rd, 4th, 23rd, 24th, 30th, 31st.

Appointment with dentist for extractions: Dec. 6th, 7th A.M., 18th, 19th.

Appointment pertaining to glasses for eyes: Dec. 4th, 5th, 13th, 23rd, 24th.

AGRICULTURE

Cut timber: Dec. 5th, 23rd, 24th.

Plant trees for quick growth: Dec. 12th, 13th.

Cut weeds and delay new growth: Dec. 23rd, 24th.

Pruning: Dec. 3rd, 4th, 20th P.M., 21st, 22nd A.M., 30th, 31st.

Spraying: Dec. 23rd, 24th.

Irrigation that can be assimilated by plant life: Dec. 3rd, 4th, 12th, 13th, 20th P.M., 21st, 22nd, 30th, 31st.

Grafting, budding, pollinizing: Dec. 12th, 13th.

Planting for growth below the ground: Dec. 3rd, 4th, 20th P.M., 21st, 22nd, 30th, 31st.

Planting for growth above the ground: Dec. 12th, 13th.

Planting bulbs for seed: Dec. 3rd, 4th, 20th P.M., 21st, 22nd, 30th, 31st.

Planting flowers for good bloom: Dec. 12th, 13th.

Setting posts: Dec. 3rd, 4th, 23rd, 24th, 30th, 31st.

Day by Day

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titudes of today should attract loyalty and inspire devotion. Doors may open in response to faith, new experience be met by aspiring, up-and-coming individuals. Keep level-headed, practical and refuse to be disturbed or shocked by unforeseen inconsequential. Late evening favors plans, moves, changes, decisions.

Wednesday—December 30
Lunar Transit—7:22 A.M.

Pluto ruler—It may seem necessary to act on a considered proposition today. Provided duty prompts and logic is adhered to, a decision may now be reached and a more stable base gained. Late p.m., good techniques improve prospects or position.

Thursday—December 31
Lunar Transit—8:09 A.M.

Pluto ruler—The old year passes with a trend of high resolve, inspiration, diversion, originality and surprise, with strangers and friends alike meeting to mutual advantage on a pleasant New Year's Eve. Originality and generous gestures attract attention, incite interest. A new outlook may brighten the horizon for those who seek a new way of life.

Tomorrow's News

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the 10th. This indicates Brazil bidding for foreign trade, and she has difficulty in her own government. She may have a very serious aircraft accident that saddens the people of the country. From September through December, President Vargas' chart is quite seriously afflicted. Ill health is shown in his natal chart. Brazil formed her government when the Sun was in Scorpio, and at present Saturn and Mercury occupy this sign, making adverse aspects to each other—a rather difficult time, not only for his country but for Vargas personally as well.

Mexico seems to do a land-office business, with Americans flying down there for the holidays. Jupiter is in their house of money, therefore foreign money pours in. Mexico either suffers from some natural disaster, or an epidemic affecting their cattle, or produce, or the people. There are so many planets affecting the 12th house in both the New and Full Moon charts, that it presages some unusual disturbance of a behind-the-scenes nature. A complete curb on cattle is a possibility.

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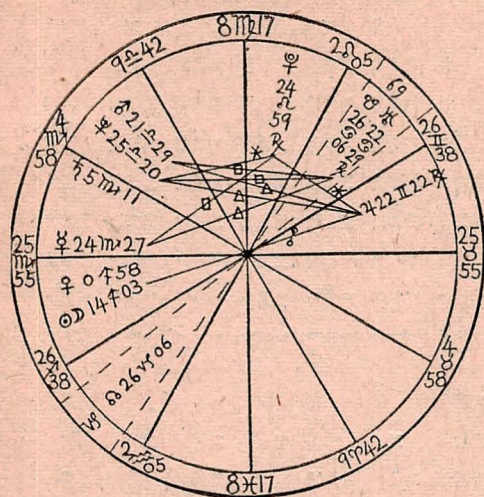
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NEW MOON

December 6, 1953, 5:39:58 A.M., LMT
Washington, D. C.

NEW MOON

Effective December 6th to December 20th

The New Moon occurs Dec. 6th at 5:48 A.M., E.S.T., in 14° 03' Sagittarius, approaching a sextile to Mars in Libra, an opposition to Jupiter in Gemini and a sextile to Neptune in Libra.

FULL MOON

Effective December 20th to January 4th

The Full Moon occurs Dec. 20th at 6:43 A.M., E.S.T., in 28° 19' Gemini, sextile Pluto in Leo, trine Neptune in Libra and also trine Mars in Scorpio.

Winter Solstice

The Winter Solstice occurs Dec. 21st at 10:32 P.M., E.S.T., in 0° Capricorn, in sextile to Mars and Saturn in Scorpio.

Solar Aspects

The Sun, traveling from 8° 33' Sagittarius to 10° 15' Capricorn, forms five major aspects and five parallels: A parallel to Uranus on the 2nd; a parallel to Pluto and Jupiter on the 7th; an opposition to Jupiter on the 13th; a trine to Pluto on the 16th; a sextile to Neptune on the 17th; a sextile to Mars and a parallel to Mercury on the 24th; a parallel to Venus on the 26th; and a sextile to Saturn on the 29th.

Mercury

Mercury transits from 18° 30' Scorpio to 20° 20' Capricorn, forming five major aspects and four parallels: a trine to Uranus on the 4th; a square to Pluto on the 6th; a parallel to Uranus on the 19th; a parallel to Jupiter and a parallel to Pluto on the 21st; a parallel to Venus and an opposition to Jupiter on the 23rd; and a trine to Pluto and a sextile to Neptune on the 27th.

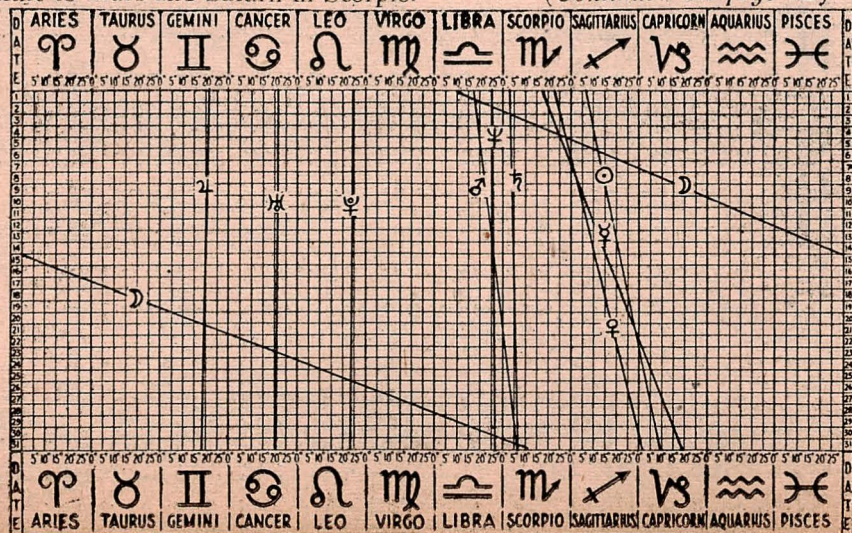
Venus

Venus progresses from 24° 24' Scorpio to 3° 23' Capricorn, forming four major aspects and one parallel: a square to Pluto on the 1st; a parallel to Uranus on the 16th; a parallel to Pluto on the 20th; an opposition to Jupiter on the 21st; a trine to Pluto and a sextile to Neptune on the 25th.

Mars

Mars proceeds from 18° 16' Libra to 7° 02' Scorpio, forming four major aspects and three parallels: a trine to Jupiter and a square to Uranus on the

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Tabulated Day Chart

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Look for the period which includes your birthdate in the list given at the left-hand side of the page.
The Harmonious, Routine and Critical days given opposite the period will apply to you personally.

HARMONIOUS

ROUTINE

CRITICAL

Mar. 21 - Mar. 31
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Apr. 10 - Apr. 19

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Aspectarian for December, 1953

This Aspectarian provides AN HOUR GUIDE for every day, by which it is possible to determine the BEST hour of any given day, for commencing or consummating any specific undertaking.

By acting at the RIGHT TIME, we reduce the chances of error to a minimum. It must be understood that each influence becomes effective several hours in advance of the HOUR given, but decreases in power very rapidly after passing that hour.

The extent of this interval varies widely for the various planets involved. The hours given may be accepted as a reliable guide if you will time your

actions and decisions to be made as closely as possible to the hour given. If it is not possible to act exactly at the hour given, then a time should be chosen which is EARLIER rather than LATER. Generally speaking, aspects of the Moon may be considered as being in effect approximately 10 hours prior to the time given. If the period of two aspects happen to overlap, they may be considered as modifying each other during that time.

For Mountain Standard Time add 1 hour to Pacific Standard Time; for Central Standard Time add 2 hours. *Astrological Interpretations by Rose Campbell Starr*

Dec.	Pacific Stand. Time	Dec.	Eastern Stand. Time	Aspects	Position	Interpretations
1	8:57 am	1	11:57 am	♀ ☐ ♀	25 ♀ 01	♀ ♀ Shun coercion, especially in romance.
	9:17		12:17 pm	☐ ♀	10 ♀ 56	♀ ♀ Work adds to stability.
	12:25 pm		3:25	☐ ♀ ♀	25 ♀ 11	♀ ♀ A respite for needed diversion.
	3:00		6:00	☐ ♂ ♂	18 ♀ 44	☐ ♀ Exercise aggression, but not to extremes.
	4:07		7:07	☐ ♀ ♀	19 ♀ 18	☐ ♀ Timely ideas merit attention.
	10:44	2	1:44 am	☐ ☐ ♀	22 ♀ 37	☐ ♀ Don't depend on the undependable.
	11:22		2:22	☐ Δ ♀	23 ♀ 00	☐ ♀ Move forward upon the opportune beam.
2	3:31 am		6:31	☐ * ♀	25 ♀ 01	☐ ♀ Logic pays dividends or profits.
	3:57		6:57	☐ ♂ ♀	25 ♀ 18	☐ ♀ Instinct, hunches lead to success.
	5:40		8:40	☐ ♀ ♀	26 ♀ 05	☐ ♀ Love paves the way to happiness.
	9:53		12:53 pm	☐ ♀	15 ♀ 33	☐ ♀ Considerate words reap kindly returns.
	1:30 pm		4:30	☐ Enters ♀		☐ ♀ Moon enters Scorpio.
	3:09		6:09	☐ ♀	22 ♀ 02	☐ ♀ A surprise or unexpected move or outcome.
	11:06	3	2:06 am	☐ ♂ ♀	4 ♀ 51	☐ ♀ Duty takes priority for future returns.
3	3:46 am		6:46	☐ ♀	18 ♀ 39	☐ ♀ The rewards of virtue accrue.
	12:00 pm		3:00 pm	☐ ♀ ☐	11 ♀ 23	☐ ♀ Look for holiday bargains.
4	3:22 am	4	6:22 am	☐ ♀	22 ♀ 02	☐ ♀ Express originality for better results.
	5:04		8:04	☐ ♀	22 ♀ 15	☐ ♀ Intuition, logic unite for a purpose.
	5:27		8:27	☐ ♀ ♂	20 ♀ 20	☐ ♀ Act on considered, logical aims.
	8:24		11:24	☐ ♀	22 ♀ 36	☐ ♀ A timely push produces results.
	8:54		11:54	☐ ♀	22 ♀ 42	☐ ♀ Success attends dignity and reserve.
	9:21		12:21 pm	☐ ♂ ♀	22 ♀ 20	☐ ♀ Express ideas, make moves, decisions.
	9:44		12:44	☐ Δ ♀	22 ♀ 34	☐ ♀ Unexpected reward, favor for timely action.
	9:53		12:53	☐ x ♀	22 ♀ 36	☐ ♀ Don't push luck too far.
	12:48 pm		3:48	☐ Δ ♀	22 ♀ 30	☐ ♀ Surprising news, moves advance interests.
	2:28		5:28	☐ x ♀	22 ♀ 35	☐ ♀ Be satisfied with accrued dividends.
	2:31		5:31	☐ ☐ ♀	25 ♀ 00	☐ ♀ Coercion attracts adverse results.
	3:04		6:04	☐ ♀ ♀	25 ♀ 17	☐ ♀ Expectations may mature.
	11:10	5	2:10 am	☐ ♂ ♀	29 ♀ 30	☐ ♀ Plan holiday gifts for loved ones.
5	0:05 am		3:05	☐ Enters ♀		☐ ♀ Moon enters Sagittarius.
	2:04		5:04	☐ ♀ ♀	22 ♀ 30	☐ ♀ Big ideas, ventures reap surprising profit.
	8:09		11:09	♀ Enters ♀		☐ ♀ Venus enters Sagittarius.
	9:50		12:50 pm	☐ ♀ ♀	5 ♀ 05	☐ ♀ Establish a basis of sound security.
6	2:48 am	6	5:48 am	☐ ♂ ♀	14 ♀ 03	☐ ♀ A new round of activity or renewal.
	12:58 pm		3:58 pm	☐ ☐ ♀	24 ♀ 59	☐ ♀ Defer action; sidetrack force, aggression.
	5:27		8:27	☐ * ♀	21 ♀ 51	☐ ♀ Take action for desired results.
	6:14		9:14	☐ ♂ ♀	22 ♀ 17	☐ ♀ Keep plans in reasonable limits.
	6:28		9:28	☐ x ♀	22 ♀ 28	☐ ♀ Leave room for unexpected element.
	7:28		10:28	☐ ♀ ♀	25 ♀ 20	☐ ♀ Inspirational ideas prompt right decisions.
	8:05		11:05	☐ Max. Decl.	25 ♀ 58	☐ ♀ Moon at Maximum Declination.
	11:16		2:16 am	☐ Δ ♀	24 ♀ 59	☐ ♀ Higher, loftier principles pay.
	11:45		2:45	☐ * ♀	25 ♀ 21	☐ ♀ Inspired aims succeed well.
7	0:23 am		3:23	☐ ♀ ♀	25 ♀ 36	☐ ♀ Timely ideas point the way.
	3:31		6:31	☐ ☐ ♀	22 ♀ 37	☐ ♀ Courage and initiative take the prize.
	7:36		10:36	☐ ♂ Δ ♀	22 ♀ 13	☐ ♀ Action at right time produces results.
	8:33		11:33	☐ Enters ♀		☐ ♀ Moon enters Capricorn.
	1:42 pm		4:42 pm	☐ ♀ ♀	2 ♀ 47	☐ ♀ Favor rewards kindness, consideration.
	3:58		6:58	☐ ♂ ☐ ♀	22 ♀ 25	☐ ♀ The unexpected disturbs: keep calm.
	6:22		9:22	☐ * ♀	5 ♀ 20	☐ ♀ Bank resources for enduring stability.
	7:51		10:51	☐ ♀	22 ♀ 41	☐ ♀ Opportunity rewards the deserving.
8	2:48 pm	8	5:48 pm	☐ ♀ ☐	16 ♀ 34	☐ ♀ An interchange of opinion.
	5:38		8:38	☐ ♀	22 ♀ 47	☐ ♀ Familiar patterns bind ties of felicity.
	6:27		9:27	☐ ♀	22 ♀ 41	☐ ♀ Reap merited rewards or gifts.
	6:49		9:49	☐ ♀	22 ♀ 38	☐ ♀ Brains and brawn are unbeatable.
	11:10	9	2:10 am	☐ ♀	22 ♀ 04	☐ ♀ A novel touch or idea incites.
9	0:40 am		3:40	☐ x ♀	21 ♀ 59	☐ ♀ Look well before leaping.
	1:23		4:23	☐ ♂ ♀	22 ♀ 23	☐ ♀ Leave room for incalculable factor.
	3:05		6:05	☐ ☐ ♀	23 ♀ 19	☐ ♀ Don't act under stress or in haste.
	4:54		7:54	☐ on Ecliptic	24 ♀ 22	☐ ♀ Moon on Ecliptic.
	5:54		8:54	☐ x ♀	24 ♀ 58	☐ ♀ It takes time to mature benefits.
	6:54		9:54	☐ ☐ ♀	25 ♀ 24	☐ ♀ Keep clear-eyed to avoid confusion.

NOTE: Jupiter, Uranus and Pluto retrograde throughout December.

Dec.	Pacific Stand. Time	Dec.	Eastern Stand. Time	Aspects	Position	Interpretations
10	9:59	10	12:59 pm	☾ ♀	20 S 28	☾ 8 Consideration dissipates difficulties.
	1:24 pm		4:24	☾ * ♀	20 M 00	☾ 8 Act under right motivation for results.
	2:59		5:59	☾ Enters =		☾ 8 Moon enters Aquarius.
	6:05		9:05	☾ ♀ ♀ ♀	5 M 32	☾ 8 Love banked with logic is secure.
	9:17		0:17 am	☾ ♀	18 S 34	☾ 8 Little acts or ideas count.
	0:53 am		3:53	☾ ☐ ♀	5 M 34	☾ 8 Meet obstacles sanely, logically.
	1:31		4:31	☾ * ♀	5 M 56	☾ 8 Considerate attention adds to peace.
	6:47		9:47	☾ Enters ♀		☾ 8 Mercury enters Sagittarius.
	6:37 pm		9:37 pm	☾ ♀	8 S 18	☾ 8 Advance on the inspirational beam.
	0:35 am		3:35 am	☾ * ☐	19 M 01	☾ 8 Superiors reward ability, worth.
11	5:15	11	8:15	☾ Δ ♀	21 M 42	☾ 8 Gain or reward for deserving effort.
	6:20		9:20	☾ * ♀	22 S 19	☾ 8 Avoid unnecessary changes in schedule.
	8:38		11:38	☾ ♀	11 S 15	☾ 8 The results of integrity, merit.
	10:32		1:32 pm	☾ Δ ♀	24 = 43	☾ 8 Timely action has favorable results.
	11:00		2:00	☾ ♀ ♀	24 S 58	☾ 8 Avoid predacious contacts, persuasion.
	11:53		2:53	☾ Δ ♀	25 = 20	☾ 8 Ideal efforts promote talents.
	7:30 pm		10:30	☾ Enters * ♀	24 S 57	☾ 8 Take the helm and push ahead.
	7:46		10:46	☾ Enters ♀		☾ 8 Moon enters Pisces.
	8:11		11:11	☾ ♀	8 S 32	☾ 8 Continue action on considered plans.
	9:08		0:08 am	☾ ♀	8 S 18	☾ 8 Add an inspired touch.
12	11:55	12	2:55	☾ ☐ ♀	2 M 34	☾ 8 Postpone plans or decisions.
	8:00 am		11:00	☾ Δ ♀	22 N 39	☾ 8 Grandiose plans await developments.
	11:12		2:12 pm	☾ ☐ ♀	8 M 56	☾ 8 Defer social contacts; hide feelings.
	4:40 pm		7:40	☾ ♀ ♀	25 = 29	☾ 8 Act on unique, inspired ideas.
	5:45		8:45	☾ Δ ♀	5 M 47	☾ 8 Stability, comfort reward the deserving.
	6:30 am	13	9:30 am	☾ on Equator		☾ 8 Moon on Equator.
	8:30		11:30	☾ ☐ ☐	21 M 23	☾ 8 A turn in the tide of circumstance.
	8:30		11:30	☾ ☐ ♀	21 M 25	☾ 8 Curb the expression of unbalanced ideas.
	8:34		11:34	☾ ☐ ♀	21 M 24	☾ 8 Tone down exuberance, excess.
	9:55		12:55 pm	☾ Δ ♀	22 S 15	☾ 8 A surprise or unexpected turn uplifts.
	2:34 pm		5:34	☾ * ♀	24 S 57	☾ 8 Husband resources carefully.
	3:35		6:35	☾ * ♀	25 = 32	☾ 8 Due precaution safeguards valuables.
	4:30		7:30	☾ * ♀	26 = 06	☾ 8 Expend time and effort sensibly.
	11:06		2:06 am	☾ Enters ♀		☾ 8 Moon enters Aries.
	4:01 am		7:01	☾ ☐ ♀	22 S 13	☾ 8 Don't throw precedence overboard.
14	8:55	14	11:55	☾ Δ ♀	5 M 48	☾ 8 Timely ideas or moves succeed well.
	9:12 am		12:12 pm	☾ Δ ♀	5 M 59	☾ 8 Wait out minor opposition.
	12:01 pm		3:01	☾ Δ ♀	6 M 01	☾ 8 Stamina and forethought achieve purpose.
	2:51		5:51	☾ ♀	8 S 20	☾ 8 A dream may become an actuality.
	6:19		9:19	☾ ♀	9 S 11	☾ 8 Express courage and initiative.
	7:05		10:05	☾ Δ ♀	11 M 52	☾ 8 Loving-kindness attracts happiness.
	3:21 am		6:21 am	☾ ♀	11 S 22	☾ 8 Firm conviction reaches a goal.
	8:31		11:31	☾ * ♀	21 M 07	☾ 8 Capability is the father of luck.
	12:18 pm		3:18 pm	☾ ☐ ♀	22 S 10	☾ 8 Don't let unforeseen setbacks deter.
	2:50		5:50	☾ Δ ♀	23 M 42	☾ 8 Extend aims, projects, abilities.
15	4:54	15	7:54	☾ Δ ♀	24 S 55	☾ 8 Utilize or enhance creative talents.
	5:59		8:59	☾ Δ ♀	25 = 34	☾ 8 Clear-eyed logic averts errors.
	9:05		0:05 am	☾ ♀ ♀	27 = 26	☾ 8 Avoid extremes in attitude, retaliation.
	1:23 am		4:23	☾ Enters ♀		☾ 8 Moon enters Taurus.
	11:42		2:42 pm	☾ ♀ ♀	6 M 12	☾ 8 Discard non-essentials, not valuables.
	4:44 pm		7:44	☾ Δ ♀	9 M 14	☾ 8 If doubtful, defer commitment.
	5:08		8:08	☾ ♀	22 N 07	☾ 8 New methods inspire, renew.
	7:35		10:35	☾ Δ ♀	24 S 55	☾ 8 Outstanding developments from long-term effort.
	1:57 am	17	4:57 am	☾ Δ ♀	14 M 45	☾ 8 Guard health, beauty, assets.
	4:40		7:40	☾ ♀	21 S 22	☾ 8 Adhere to a scheduled program.
	9:40		12:40 pm	☾ ♀	22 N 07	☾ 8 A unique touch intrigues.
	10:33		1:33	☾ ♀	22 S 14	☾ 8 Make harmonious adjustments.
	11:54		2:54	☾ * ♀	25 = 35	☾ 8 Inspired aims induce profit.
	12:06 pm		3:06	☾ Δ ♀	20 M 40	☾ 8 Generous attitudes are rewarded.
	1:50		4:50	☾ ♀	22 N 52	☾ 8 Express aggression but stem impatience.
	2:12		5:12	☾ * ♀	22 S 06	☾ 8 An unexpected turn or surprise stimulates.
	6:18		9:18	☾ ♀	22 N 37	☾ 8 Stress ability, progressive aims.
	6:56		9:56	☾ ☐ ♀	24 S 55	☾ 8 Take time to decide; no coercion.
18	7:12	18	10:12	☾ ♀	23 S 23	☾ 8 Ethical ways win esteem.
	8:08		11:08	☾ Δ ♀	25 = 37	☾ 8 Don't make snap judgments.
	8:44		11:44	☾ Δ ♀	25 M 59	☾ 8 Adhere to a tranquil attitude.
	1:22 am		4:22 am	☾ Δ ♀	28 = 44	☾ 8 Calm ways make smooth feathers.
	3:27		6:27	☾ Enters ♀		☾ 8 Moon enters Gemini.
	2:07 pm		5:07 pm	☾ Δ ♀	6 M 23	☾ 8 Wait out minor oppositions.
	0:58 am		3:58 am	☾ ♀ ♀	12 M 42	☾ 8 If doubtful, defer commitment.
	9:23		12:23 pm	☾ ♀ ♀	17 M 39	☾ 8 Don't force desires, romance, love.
	1:30 pm		4:30	☾ ♀	22 N 08	☾ 8 An unexpected unique slant surprises.
	2:11		5:11	☾ Max. Decl.	25 N 59	☾ 8 Moon at Maximum Declination.
19	2:22	20	5:22	☾ Δ ♀	20 M 34	☾ 8 Profit by opportunity, past effort.
	4:01		7:01	☾ ♀	22 N 36	☾ 8 Happiness rewards the generous, just.
	4:50		7:50	☾ Δ ♀	22 S 01	☾ 8 Express originality wisely and well.
	9:50		0:50 am	☾ * ♀	24 S 53	☾ 8 Profound effort receives consideration.
	11:10		2:10	☾ Δ ♀	25 = 30	☾ 8 The rewards of inspiration accrue.

Dec.	Pacific Stand. Time	Dec.	Eastern Stand. Time	Aspects	Position	Interpretations
20	3:20 am		6:20	♂ Enters ♀	28 ♀ 19	Mars enters Scorpio.
	3:43		6:43	♂ ♀ ☉		A turning point in affairs.
	6:40		9:40	☉ Enters ☿		Moon enters Cancer.
	6:54		9:54	☉ Δ ♂	0 ♀ 05	Push ahead with zeal, fervor.
	8:42		11:42	☉ ♀ ☿	22 N 43	Romance rewards the valiant.
	6:13		9:13 pm	☉ Δ ♀	6 ♀ 34	Diligence, steadfastness induce security.
21	4:21 am	21	7:21 am	☉ ☿	22 N 36	Fair ideas aid advancement, increase.
	8:56		11:56	☉ ☿	23 S 27	Rational conduct attracts gain.
	11:23		2:23 pm	☉ ♀ ☿	16 ♀ 23	Wait out indecisive elements.
	11:56		2:56	☉ ♀ ☿	20 ♀ 18	Subdue immoderation in social contacts.
	1:45 pm		4:45	☉ ☿	22 S 53	Keep emotions well concealed.
	3:00		6:00	☉ ☿	22 S 43	Express ideas within reason.
	3:03		6:03	☉ ☿	22 N 44	Schedule plans for a new stand.
	3:42		6:42	☉ ☿	22 N 44	Keen minds demand attention.
	4:01		7:01	☉ ☿	22 N 36	Ability attracts attention, returns.
	6:39		9:39	☉ ♀ ☿	20 ♀ 16	Be on the opportune beam.
	7:26		10:26	☉ ♀ ☿	20 ♀ 42	Postpone doubtful social contacts.
	7:28		10:28	☉ ☿	22 N 08	Assume a confident, independent stand.
	7:32		10:32	☉ Enters ☿		Sun enters Capricorn.
	9:40		0:40 am	☉ ♀ ☿	21 ☿ 56	The obvious happens unexpectedly.
	11:19		2:19	☉ Max. Decl.	23 S 27	Sun at Maximum Declination.
22	0:27 am		3:27	☿ on Ecliptic	17 ♀ 11	Mercury on Ecliptic.
	1:29		4:29	☉ on Ecliptic	24 ☿ 01	Moon on Ecliptic.
	3:00		6:00	☉ ♀ ☿	24 ♀ 51	Energetic endeavor adds spice.
	4:31		7:31	☉ ☐ ☿	25 ♀ 42	Avoid early morning confusion.
	14:43 pm		3:43 pm	☉ Enters ♀		Moon enters Leo.
	1:48		4:48	☉ ♀ ☿	0 ♀ 46	Conserve energy for better results.
	3:01		6:01	☉ ☐ ☿	1 ♀ 30	It takes time to do tasks well.
	5:34		8:34	☉ ♀ ☿	21 ☿ 52	Pleasure-seeking may prove disappointing.
23	1:02 am	23	4:02 am	☉ ☐ ♀	6 ♀ 47	Rest to relax holiday nerves.
	7:38 pm		10:38 pm	☉ ☿	23 S 01	Pleasant meetings inspire, stimulate.
	8:58		11:58	☉ ☿	20 ♀ 01	Keep ideas within moderate bounds.
24	2:00 am	24	5:00 am	☉ * ♀	19 ♀ 58	Kindly methods justify good ends.
	2:47		5:47	☉ Δ ♀	20 ♀ 21	Purposeful plans succeed well.
	5:36		8:36	☉ ♀ ☿	21 ☿ 51	A saucy note adds spice.
	5:45		8:45	☉ ☐ * ♀	2 ♀ 27	A courageous stand wins a desire.
	7:00		10:00	☉ ♀	11 S 37	Adhere to a gained stand.
	8:47		11:47	☉ ♀	11 S 15	Determination wins a point.
	9:42		12:42 pm	☉ Δ ♀	23 ♀ 57	The favors of love and loyalty.
	11:05		2:05	☉ ♀	23 S 25	Express ideas, special talent.
	11:22		2:22	☉ ♀ ☿	24 ♀ 50	Relax for a pleasant time
	1:11 pm		4:11	☉ * ♀	25 ♀ 45	Worthy purpose opens doors.
	9:25	25	0:25 am	☉ Enters ♀		Moon enters Virgo.
	10:16		1:16	☉ ♀	8 S 24	Take care of necessary details.
25	1:05 am		4:05	☉ ♀ ☿	21 ☿ 48	Take messages with a grain of salt.
	1:58		4:58	☉ Δ ♀	24 ♀ 49	Courageous hearts attract benefits.
	4:08		7:08	☉ Δ ☉	3 ♀ 25	Tranquillity conducive to prospects.
	11:10		2:10 pm	☉ * ♀	6 ♀ 59	The rewards of stability.
	3:22 pm		6:22	☉ * ♀	3 ♀ 01	Worth attracts recognition.
	6:55		9:55	☉ * ♀	25 ♀ 43	Ideal gifts reward loving hearts.
26	7:10 am	26	10:10 am	☉ ♀	23 S 22	Kindly motives secure blessings.
	9:06		12:06 pm	☉ ♀	11 S 40	"Perseverance gains its meed."
	12:23 pm		3:23	☉ ☐ ♀	19 ♀ 38	Don't expect too much.
	12:50		3:50	☉ on Equator		Moon on Equator.
	4:32		7:32	☉ * ♀	21 ☿ 44	Unique ideas advance interests.
	10:27		1:27 am	☉ ☐ ♀	24 ♀ 40	If in doubt, postpone or defer.
	10:43		1:43	☉ ♀ ☿	24 ♀ 48	Make minor resolves.
	11:36		2:36	♀ on Ecliptic	27 ♀ 12	Venus on Ecliptic.
27	0:16 am		3:16	☉ Δ ♀	24 ♀ 47	Now carry out resolute plans.
	0:44		3:44	☉ ♀ ☿	25 ♀ 47	Ingenious ideas or methods pay.
	4:00		7:00	☉ ☐ ♀	27 ♀ 25	Keep romantic motivations concealed.
	9:11		12:11 pm	☉ Enters ♀		Moon enters Libra.
	2:00 pm		5:00	☉ * ♀	25 ♀ 45	Express inspirational ideas, methods.
	6:29		9:29	☉ ♀ ☿	4 ♀ 36	Push plans or work for success.
	9:43		0:43 am	☉ ☐ ☉	6 ♀ 13	Turn with the tide of circumstance.
	11:44		2:44	☉ ♀ ☿	7 ♀ 11	Patience makes for stability, purpose.
28	4:15 am		7:15	☉ ♀	8 S 25	Revitalize forces in solitude.
	8:41 pm		11:41 pm	☉ ♀	11 S 43	Decide and settle; agree.
	11:05		2:05 am	☉ ♀	12 S 11	Firm attitudes, methods succeed.
	11:20	29	2:20	☉ * ♀	7 ♀ 17	Logical methods establish successful foundations.
29	0:16 am		3:16	☉ Δ ♀	19 ♀ 21	Consideration attracts loyalty, devotion.
	4:38		7:38	♀ Enters ☿		Venus enters Capricorn.
	11:11		2:11 pm	☉ * ♀	24 ♀ 46	Doors open to new experience.
	1:22 pm		4:22	☉ ♀ ☿	25 ♀ 50	Faith in divine justice pays.
	4:33		7:33	☉ ☐ ♀	21 ☿ 38	Don't be upset by inconsequential.
	7:59		10:59	☉ * ♀	29 ♀ 08	Make plans, moves, decisions.
	9:42		0:42 am	☉ Enters ♀		Moon enters Scorpio.
	11:39	30	2:39	☉ * ♀	0 ♀ 59	Love brightens the pathway.
30	10:02 am		1:02 pm	☉ ♀ ☿	6 ♀ 11	Take action on considered plans.

Dec.	Pacific Stand. Time	Dec.	Eastern Stand. Time	Aspects	Position	Interpretations
	12:29 pm		3:29	☿ ♀ ♄	7 m 24	Duty, stability vanguards for achievement.
	3:38		6:38	☿ * ☽	9 8 00	☿ m Good techniques improve position.
31	11:24 am	31	2:44 pm	☿ ♀ ☽	19 10 02	☿ m Keep ideas within reasonable bounds.
	12:31 pm		3:31	☿ ☿	22 N 12	☿ s A spark of originality incites interest.
	3:09		6:09	☿ ☿	22 N 32	☿ s A jovial note for New Year's Eve.
	4:17		7:17	☿ Δ ☿	21 32 32	☿ m A pleasant surprise ends the year.

The Weather

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Mont. to Ariz. and clearing to fair and milder in E. Mont. to N. Mex. on 6th. Considerable general cloudiness and local rain and snow rather heavy in Calif. and coastal mountain ranges. This is an adverse period for flying weather with terrific fog.

8th thru 13th: Decreasing showers and rain or snow on 8th, but not too cold for the season; general clearing and cooler on 9th. Increasing coastal rain and showers in Wash. and Oreg., clear and rather cold in E. Wash. and E. Oreg. to Ida. and Mont.; fog and clear elsewhere but not cold on 9th. Showers increase into all Wash., Oreg. and N. Ida.; cloudiness general in Mont. Continued clear and cool from Calif. to N. Mex. on 10th and 11th; snow and rain in moderate amounts from Mont. to N. Mex. and E. Ariz., variable cloudiness elsewhere.

14th thru 17th: Fair to partly cloudy from Calif. to N. Mex. with snow in Mont., rain and snow in Wash. to C. Oreg. Cloudy to partly cloudy in Ida. S.E. to Colo. on 14th and 15th. Cold, clear weather and low temperatures in Mont. moving slowly S.E. Rain and snow in Wash. and along narrow belt to Wyo., clear and mild from Calif. to N. Mex. on 16th and 17th.

18th thru 20th: Brief cloudiness and some local showers in Ariz. to N. Mex. on 18th followed by clear and seasonal weather with much rain and snow in Wash. moving into Mont. on 20th.

21st thru 23rd: Continued persistent rain and snow in Wash. and Oreg., going briefly into Calif. on 21st; lighter rains and snow in Wash. and Oreg. on 22nd, while partly cloudy to fair on 23rd over all states. Moderate weather in Mont. to N. Mex. and Ariz. with some cloudiness in Utah and Nev. on all days.

24th thru 26th: Another storm will

bring rain and snow of depth from Mont. to N. Mex. with less amounts in Ida. and Utah on 24th and 25th, with blizzards in Colo. and Wyo. on 26th. Clear and cold with low temperatures in Mont. to Utah on 26th; coastal cloudiness and fog with clearing by noon.

27th thru 31st: Clearing and colder with some persistent snow showers in mountains of Colo. and Wyo.; clear and cold on 29th and 30th and general clearing and low temperatures on 31st in all states. There is danger of frost in S. Calif. and Ariz. now.

Transits for December, 1953

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7th; a parallel to Neptune on the 10th; a sextile to Pluto on the 11th; a conjunction to Neptune on the 12th; a parallel to Jupiter on the 19th; and a parallel to Saturn on the 26th.

Jupiter and Saturn

Jupiter continues the retrograde motion it began Oct. 14th, retrograding from 23° 06' Gemini to 18° 59' Gemini, forming a parallel to Pluto on the 12th.

Saturn moves from 4° 37' Scorpio to 7° 30' Scorpio, forming no major aspects.

Neptune, Uranus and Pluto

Uranus, in retrograde motion since Oct. 29th, retrogrades from 22° 35' Cancer to 21° 31' Cancer.

Neptune proceeds from 25° 10' Libra to 25° 48' Libra.

Pluto continues the retrograde motion it began Nov. 6th, retrograding from 25° 07' Leo to 24° 43' Leo.

The outermost planets form no major aspects during the month.

Merry Christmas to You!

Our January issue, which will contain many interesting indications for 1954, covering all phases of life from Domestic to Mundane, will be on sale at all newsstands on December 16, 1953.

Don't miss this very special issue!

Aries

(or Aries Rising)

Weekly Guide •

Born March 21 thru April 19

General Outlook

AN unexpected opportunity to conclude a profitable partnership or to gain through the purchase or sale of property may crop up rather suddenly during the forepart of the month. At the same time, there is a situation in the making which may bring possibilities of accidents in the home or to a member of the family if precautions are neglected. A severance of friendly relations with your mate or business partner may be induced by carelessness in the handling of mutual funds, speculation or an ill-advised emotional entanglement. If such a situation has been building up over the past few months, you may anticipate a climax that will not only take a surprising turn, but which could change your whole way of life for a considerable time to come.

December 1st to 8th

Plunging headlong without forethought is the surest way to precipitate a crisis this week. Think of the possible consequences before arousing the jealousy or resentment of your mate or associates on the 1st-2nd. The 3rd to 5th are excellent days as far as your financial interests are concerned, but you will have to act on the inspiration of the moment to garner the profits. The New Moon (6th) is the forerunner of coming events, projects, travel and dealings with distant points. Should you place your ambition and material considerations above human and spiritual values, you invite a showdown that could set you reeling (7th-8th). Take exceptional precautions on these days to prevent accidents on the roads or while performing your daily tasks.

December 9th to 15th

Get imbued with the Christmas spirit early this week, and be determined to live up to its full intent. In this way, you hasten the dispersion of the dark clouds that are hovering over your key associations before they can do any damage (9th-10th). Don't delay further in working out an inspired holiday program that will maintain harmonious relations in your intimate as well as social circles (11th to 13th). You have an excellent opportunity to display your good taste,

nobility of spirit and individual enterprise on the 14th-15th. Let those who are near and dear to you be the principal beneficiaries when you are in the mood to dispense your largesse and affections.

December 16th to 22nd

Time is getting short for the writing of greeting cards, the purchase of gifts and the many preparations that are involved in making this one of the happiest holiday seasons you have ever experienced. The 16th and 17th are ideal days for the making of money as well as for judicious spending in behalf of your dear ones. Other people are likely to get on your nerves on the 18th-19th, so avoid crowds and situations that provoke heated arguments. The Full Moon (20th) counsels cooperation with the rest of the family in home decorating projects and neighborhood or community festivities, as your dynamism is a source of great inspiration to others. Keep your ideas and plans down to earth, and be especially prudent when walking or riding on dangerous streets (21st-22nd). Make certain that you are not overlooking meritorious members of the family group on your gift list.

December 23rd to 31st

In your haste to get things accomplished, you still must not lose your serenity or sense of values this week. The 23rd may be a very trying day for others as well as for yourself, calling for patience and understanding. You should be the recipient of a very agreeable surprise in the form of advancement, high honors, a bonus and other gifts (24th). You, in turn, can make the Christmas day the most unforgettable and happy event that your mate and loved ones have ever experienced, provided you follow the generous impulses that favorable planetary influences foster within you (25th). The 26th and 27th continue the round of merry-making, but they also advise moderation in food and drink. Profit by the mellow mood created during the past few days to arrive at new understandings with your closest partners, so as to get the New Year off to an auspicious start (28th to 31st).

Aries Daily Guide

*"Experience takes dreadfully high school-wages,
but he teaches like no other."*

—Carlyle

Tue. — Dec. 1 — VENUS — People are likely to be in a belligerent mood, especially if they are out to collect from you. Keep your finances in tip-top order.

Wed. — Dec. 2 — VENUS — The strong pressures that strain marital, partnership and family ties remain unabated. Economic difficulties may be to blame.

Thu. — Dec. 3 — PLUTO — You can no longer evade responsibilities, promises or obligations. Economical practices become obligatory and saving desirable.

Fri. — Dec. 4 — PLUTO — There are several ways to establish stability in your own and joint monetary affairs. The most unusual one could be the lucky choice for all concerned.

Sat. — Dec. 5 — JUPITER — Pursue objectives that are calculated to maintain harmony with associates or creditors. Sincere intentions are recognizable.

Sun. — Dec. 6 — JUPITER — The New Moon accentuates high ideals, future prospects, travel plans and sources of information. Shun gambling, romantic adventures.

Mon. — Dec. 7 — SATURN — Follow the counsels of kinfolk, neighbors and your own good judgment. Breaking off marital or partnership ties reacts adversely.

Tue. — Dec. 8 — SATURN — Continue to protect your vital relationships as they are necessary for your professional progress and repute. Watch business trends carefully.

Wed. — Dec. 9 — SATURN — Those in business need to be especially prudent so as not to overstock or find themselves undersold by the competition. P. M. social.

Thu. — Dec. 10 — URANUS — You should get some help today from official reports, news sources or friends. A good time to consider a trip if circumstances permit.

Fri. — Dec. 11 — URANUS — Everything goes along smoothly as long as you remain in control of your emotions. It is time to attend to social correspondence.

Sat. — Dec. 12 — NEPTUNE — Get together with your partner regarding the coming holidays, related expenditures and projected activities. Be moderate this eve.

Sun. — Dec. 13 — NEPTUNE — Make no decisions in haste as they are the result of emotional impulses and therefore unwise. Protect marital, family ties.

Mon. — Dec. 14 — MARS — It is time to get busy with holiday plans, card-writing and gift buying. Opportunities to travel should be seriously considered beforehand.

Tue. — Dec. 15 — MARS — Conditions on the home front tend to get out of hand. Your attitudes and behavior could be responsible in part. Show more understanding of loved ones.

Wed. — Dec. 16 — VENUS — Your mate and yourself need to get together when it

comes to expenditures and the budget. It is mutually profitable to use restraint.

Thu. — Dec. 17 — VENUS — Reach agreements, draw up contracts and respond fully to the spirit of enterprise today. Your future prosperity may thus be assured.

Fri. — Dec. 18 — MERCURY — You can no longer delay attending to your Christmas shopping and preparations. Jot down good ideas for subsequent reference.

Sat. — Dec. 19 — MERCURY — You may have to contend with many annoyances such as crowds, delays and difficult people. Happy local events are due this eve.

Sun. — Dec. 20 — MOON — The Full Moon throws the spotlight on family and neighborhood functions. The afternoon hours are ideal for gift-wrapping, decorating.

Mon. — Dec. 21 — MOON — Be especially cautious in transit and in heavy traffic during the next few days. Let peace and understanding reign at home this eve.

Tue. — Dec. 22 — MOON — Tense nerves create friction in your domestic environment. Don't dip too heavily into your private resources for gifts or to spend on a social splash.

Wed. — Dec. 23 — SUN — Good-will can be spread through personal attentions and good intentions even if money is scarce. It would be unwise to attempt to drive others too hard.

Thu. — Dec. 24 — SUN — Bettered planetary aspects relieve jaded nerves and help to spread holiday cheer. You have good chances of receiving a monetary gift.

Fri. — Dec. 25 — MERCURY — A very Merry Christmas! This should be a day long remembered for the joy and happiness you and your loved ones have coming.

Sat. — Dec. 26 — MERCURY — The pace of the last few days may have left you rather tired. Watch your diet; refrain from eating too many sweets or starches.

Sun. — Dec. 27 — MERCURY — An outstanding day with visits and good news helping to lift your spirits. Discuss future plans with those nearest and dearest to your heart.

Mon. — Dec. 28 — VENUS — You are not likely to find people ready or willing to discuss business today. Put important matters off until others are more amenable.

Tue. — Dec. 29 — VENUS — There is something exciting afoot which could mean an advance, a raise or profitable transaction. Be receptive to unusual offers.

Wed. — Dec. 30 — PLUTO — Play safe and save if you have the good fortune of receiving substantial sums of money. Your ambition is now driving you forward.

Thu. — Dec. 31 — PLUTO — Hold your celebration at home as it will prove less expensive that way. The New Year's eve is a happy and hopeful one for everyone.

Taurus

(or Taurus Rising)

Weekly Guide •

Born April 20 thru May 20

General Outlook

THE pressure of work brought on by the holiday requirements can become a real source of concern or trouble this month. Guard principally against flying off the handle at home and in your work locale so as to preserve harmonious family ties and your source of livelihood. When you are faced with the handling of machinery, electricity, inflammables, and dangerous and unfamiliar tasks, an extra bit of caution is your best insurance. Safeguard yourself against colds and accidents in the streets during spells of inclement weather, and avoid air travel during adverse flying conditions. Prudence, vigilance and good judgment will see you through safely, so keep these words firmly in mind during the period preceding the holidays. Your secondary concern is to maintain your occupational and partnership ties, as they pave the way to increased earnings and harmony in your private life, now and always.

December 1st to 8th

The tensions that prevail on the 1st-2nd could be due to a lowering of your physical vitality or secret worries, so take steps to correct these conditions promptly. Your mate or business associates are due to have plenty of problems of their own calling for understanding and assistance from you rather than criticism (3rd-4th). The New Moon confirms that your economic stability depends on the cooperation of those who have a stake in it, so don't encourage disruptive tactics (5th-6th). Consider things in the light of dollars and cents and personal safety, and this will prevent quitting your job or causing accidents (7th-8th). It is not advisable to use up valuable energy on unnecessary tasks.

December 9th to 15th

Don't put off health problems or unwelcome tasks as they are not rendered any easier with the passage of time. Regardless of any resultant financial burdens, it is better to face the fact now while it is still possible to borrow the needed funds, or to draw on the capital reserves previously accumulated (9th). The collaboration of top people lays the foundation

for job and economic security, so make the attainment of this goal your first order of business on the 10th-11th. You may be impelled to undertake rebuilding operations at home, costly expansion projects, or a job change. They all present too many risks to be taken seriously right now (12th-13th). The 14th and 15th are excellent days for private charitable enterprises and gift-wrapping.

December 16th to 22nd

Excellent opportunities to improve your partnership finances are twofold this week. You can gain through the purchase or sale of property or through your work connections, but you must not lose track of your mate's interests in the meantime (16th-17th). There is little doubt that the holiday requirements pose a rather ticklish problem when it comes to the budget, but it can be solved by using a bit of ingenuity in place of money wherever this is possible (18th-19th). The Full Moon keeps on accentuating fiscal difficulties, but it also helps to clarify differences between you, your associates and creditors (20th). Be especially prudent when carrying valuables or conducting monetary operations as any slip-ups now lead to a disturbed state of mind and loss of harmony within the family circle (21st-22nd). Restrain rash impulses.

December 23rd to 31st

You can rest assured this week that the pleasure you can give others will more than compensate for the cost involved. This promises to be one of the most fulfilling holiday seasons that it has been your privilege to enjoy. Get together with your partner and prepare the home for the arrival of guests or loved ones (23rd-24th). Affection, good-will and gaiety reign unchallenged on Christmas day (25th) which is due to eclipse many that you may remember. There is a continuation of the festive spirit with dear ones pitching in to provide excitement and entertainment (26th-27th). The good humor of everyone around you helps the transition from merry-making to productive pursuits (28th to 30th). Gay reunions are indicated for New Year's eve (31st).

Taurus Daily Guide

"Opposition always inflames the enthusiast, never converts him."
—Schiller

Tue. — Dec. 1 — MERCURY — A difficult day to maintain cordial relations with those at home or on the outside. Bad moods may be due to failing health.

Wed. — Dec. 2 — MERCURY — Seek clarification from competent authorities when you feel depressed or irritable. Your earning power more than ever depends on efficiency.

Thu. — Dec. 3 — VENUS — Your mate or partner seems to be weighed down with worry or greater responsibility. You can do much to ease the situation if you try.

Fri. — Dec. 4 — VENUS — An unexpected opportunity to strike a bargain or arrive at an agreement should be accepted as heaven-sent. Cement relationships.

Sat. — Dec. 5 — PLUTO — Monetary benefits stem from wholehearted cooperation in budget and mutual property matters. Salvage operations cut down expenses.

Sun. — Dec. 6 — PLUTO — The New Moon confirms that economic stability hinges on family unity. Refrain from bringing up disturbing questions this evening.

Mon. — Dec. 7 — JUPITER — Outstanding work brings extra rewards today. Avoid travel when danger is indicated. Protect health; guard against accidents at work.

Tue. — Dec. 8 — JUPITER — You invite future complications if you ignore symptoms that all is not well with you. Consultations bring peace of mind by evening.

Wed. — Dec. 9 — JUPITER — A rather worrisome day with problems, disputes or mishaps predominating during the forenoon. Smoother sailing is promised after lunch.

Thu. — Dec. 10 — SATURN — Bend every effort to extract profit from business upsurges. They may not last after the holidays. Attend to your gift list.

Fri. — Dec. 11 — SATURN — Another good day to promote trade or to do an outstanding day's work. Top people seem to be ready to grant requests or favors this p.m.

Sat. — Dec. 12 — URANUS — There is a showdown due today in connection with health or job problems. Shun social activities that are overly costly or exhausting.

Sun. — Dec. 13 — URANUS — It is time to think of your friends when making holiday preparations. Keep your Christmas gift list limited to your budgeted means.

Mon. — Dec. 14 — NEPTUNE — A good day to find hard-to-get presents and to make secret plans. Contribute to charitable causes whenever possible. P.M. restful.

Tue. — Dec. 15 — NEPTUNE — Another day when strict privacy suits your purposes best. Don't delude yourself into thinking you are well if you are not. Get a physical check-up.

Wed. — Dec. 16 — MARS — You will have to accept reality even if it is hard to

take. Be helpful and sympathetic whenever your mate or partner is seriously troubled.

Thu. — Dec. 17 — MARS — Resourcefulness and individual enterprise are your best weapons in building up economic security. Go after your money objectives.

Fri. — Dec. 18 — VENUS — It is in your better interest to add to your savings than to withdraw from them. Don't delay your gift shopping if you want values.

Sat. — Dec. 19 — VENUS — Be skeptical when anyone tries to sell you the merits of speculation or quick money-making schemes. What you earn you have; save it.

Sun. — Dec. 20 — MERCURY — The Full Moon points up the dangers of taking risks with current or reserve funds. Depend on the counsels of your partner this evening.

Mon. — Dec. 21 — MERCURY — You are likely to find gifts sold out or too expensive if you have put off your shopping till now. Protect your valuables from loss.

Tue. — Dec. 22 — MERCURY — Be especially prudent in transit to avert accidents. Bundle up if the weather is bad. Build up the proper holiday spirit at home.

Wed. — Dec. 23 — MOON — Domestic troubles are accentuated if financial difficulties are present. Sincere attentions are worth more than expensive presents.

Thu. — Dec. 24 — MOON — This can be a real happy day and Christmas eve once everyone gets into the proper spirit. The p. m. brings really inspiring events as well as gifts.

Fri. — Dec. 25 — SUN — A Merry Christmas! The more of your loved ones you can gather around you, the merrier it will be. Devise entertaining games for children.

Sat. — Dec. 26 — SUN — You may have to curtail some of your pleasurable activities, especially if your funds are sadly depleted. Resourcefulness helps out.

Sun. — Dec. 27 — SUN — Dear ones help you to build up confidence in your abilities to provide for their needs. Promising developments are in the making.

Mon. — Dec. 28 — MERCURY — Face your tasks with courage even if you are not yet in the mood. Cooperation with your work associates lighten the burden for all.

Tue. — Dec. 29 — MERCURY — Go easy when you are trying out new methods or handling unfamiliar jobs. Cut down on food intake if you have been indulging of late.

Wed. — Dec. 30 — VENUS — Let your mate or partner in on your future plans as you may thus gain some useful information. Two heads are always better than one.

Thu. — Dec. 31 — VENUS — The accent is on friendly or family reunions. A splendid New Year's eve celebration is assured through moderation. A Happy New Year's eve.

Gemini

(or *Gemini Rising*)

Weekly Guide •

Born May 21 thru June 21

General Outlook

THIS month will be far from dull as you are slated to have your hands full keeping up with demands that others put on your time and energies. Even if you find yourself greatly concerned with emotional matters and pleasurable pursuits, you cannot evade the heavier responsibilities that may be required in your milieu. You will have to work harder for what you earn, and it will test your ingenuity as well as your endurance to maintain harmonious relations with co-workers and employers. Give more consideration to your well-being by abolishing practices that sap your vitality, and be particularly prudent during bad weather spells so as not to contract colds or other ailments. Once you recognize your limitations as well as your potentialities, you discover the key to a fuller and more stable way of existence.

December 1st to 8th

Restrain impulses to become reckless in transit and in the performance of your daily duties, as this first week may be considered as being the least favorable of the month. Neglect, lack of concentration and extreme views could create difficulties with your associates or serious errors of judgment detrimental to your future peace of mind (1st-2nd). A lift is headed your way, and it may come in the form of a raise or unexpected promotion, but only if you have done something outstanding to gain it (3rd-4th). Fall back on the understanding and loyal support of your mate or partner when you are confronted with problems, as the New Moon shows that this is the only way to find the right solutions (5th-6th). Your ideas seem too vast for your means, and you invite serious financial setbacks or emotional upsets if you try to carry them out come what may (7th-8th). Leave nothing whatever to chance on these days.

December 9th to 15th

Follow your usual practice of keeping mind over matter this week and this will help you to steer clear of complications with loved ones, your mate, or others who share your creative and public interests. Money as well as desires enter

into the picture and may underline the complications or tensions that are building up (9th-10th). Don't delay holiday mail or parcels that are addressed overseas or to other distant points if you expect them to be delivered on time (11th). Misplaced affections or confidences, extravagance, and the quest for thrills are all potential sources of trouble which could harm your marital and professional interests from the 12th through the 15th. Keep even-tempered.

December 16th to 22nd

There is much more happiness in store for you this week, especially if you work out ways and means of compensating your dear ones for their loyalty and affection. Devote yourself to secret projects such as selecting gifts, wrapping presents and arranging a program of entertainment that will make the coming festivities gay and exciting (16th-17th). Be considerate and tactful so as not to arouse animosities or envy while the Full Moon is stimulating the emotions of your close associates (18th to 20th). Be watchful when you are doing any shopping or in crowds to prevent wasteful buying, extravagance or the loss of funds or valuable possessions (21st-22nd). It would be the wrong time to provoke any showdowns or to adopt attitudes that are contrary to the spirit of the season. You share fully in any unhappiness you cause.

December 23rd to 31st

Good news as well as monetary gifts figure prominently in this exciting week's developments. As long as you have rendered outstanding services to your firm or clients, you may anticipate many tokens of appreciation (23rd-24th). A gay Christmas eve is due to be followed by several days of merrymaking in the company of loved ones, members of the family group and special friends (25th to 27th). Those who are unattached may find this period a propitious one to announce engagements or to tie the marital knot. A second honeymoon would be ideal for those who have had the privilege of a lasting union. Continue to enjoy social and recreational pursuits (29th to 31st).

Gemini Daily Guide

"The victory of success is half won when one gains the habit of work."

—Sarah A. Bolton

Tue. — Dec. 1 — SUN — Be prudent in the forenoon so as not to get into accidents at work or in traffic. Pent up emotions can also get you into trouble.

Wed. — Dec. 2 — SUN — Good judgment rather than extravagance should control your gift buying today. An excellent time to display your creative achievements.

Thu. — Dec. 3 — MERCURY — You are likely to be weighed down with responsibilities and difficult tasks today. Be cheerful as long as you are well compensated.

Fri. — Dec. 4 — MERCURY — Money comes through unexpected as well as customary work channels so hold yourself in readiness. New methods should now be tried out.

Sat. — Dec. 5 — VENUS — Share your benefits as well as your difficulties with your mate or those who contribute to your welfare. The eve is made for relaxation.

Sun. — Dec. 6 — VENUS — The New Moon is the forerunner of developments related to marital affairs and partnerships. Banish strange notions; be more diplomatic and considerate.

Mon. — Dec. 7 — PLUTO — You may have the best intentions in the world, but you must allow for the unexpected. Taking financial or emotional risks means trouble.

Tue. — Dec. 8 — PLUTO — Complete understanding of economic matters is essential if you expect to get along with your partner or creditors. Stick to a budget.

Wed. — Dec. 9 — PLUTO — Get others to take over financial responsibilities if you tend to be on the impractical side. This is no time for careless spending.

Thu. — Dec. 10 — JUPITER — The people you encounter today are helpful and willing to pass on valuable hints. Promote your inventions or enterprising ideas.

Fri. — Dec. 11 — JUPITER — It is time to attend to correspondence or gift parcels destined to distant points. Get in touch with those closest to your heart.

Sat. — Dec. 12 — SATURN — Consider your reputation, professional standing and family ties when you are tempted to do things against your better judgment. You can't afford getting compromised.

Sun. — Dec. 13 — SATURN — Your partner is not likely to take a back seat or accept any deviation on your part. It would be against your interest to sever ties.

Mon. — Dec. 14 — URANUS — Friendliness and fair play will go far to remove the core of dissension today. Participate in social or club activities this evening.

Tue. — Dec. 15 — URANUS — Check your list of friends to see that no one will be overlooked when sending out your season's greetings. Shop discriminately.

Wed. — Dec. 16 — NEPTUNE — Make the best of it even if you feel that you have

to carry more than your share of work and responsibilities. You'll be rewarded.

Thu. — Dec. 17 — NEPTUNE — Willingness to curb objectionable traits should bring you closer to your mate and dear ones. Make agreements or sign contracts.

Fri. — Dec. 18 — MARS — The tendency to act independently is again strong and should be toned down when it upsets others. Make promises that you will be able to keep.

Sat. — Dec. 19 — MARS — Although you have plenty of self-assurance, you cannot very well do without the good-will of associates and others. Strengthen vital ties of affection.

Sun. — Dec. 20 — VENUS — The Full Moon could precipitate a showdown in marital, partnership and public affairs. First make sure that you are in the right.

Mon. — Dec. 21 — VENUS — This is the time to get into the right holiday spirit and to bury the hatchet. It is very simple when everyone is on good behavior.

Tue. — Dec. 22 — VENUS — You will have a hectic time of it if you have put off gift buying and wrapping until now. Rushing around causes mistakes, mishaps.

Wed. — Dec. 23 — MERCURY — Avoid building up nervous tensions because of the many tasks and problems that confront you. A calm, practical approach is needed.

Thu. — Dec. 24 — MERCURY — Get everyone to pitch in to get everything in readiness for the happy events of the evening. Money as well as gifts come your way.

Fri. — Dec. 25 — MOON — A Merry Christmas! The presence of relatives and loved ones makes this day a gala event. Play games; organize exciting parties.

Sat. — Dec. 26 — MOON — The hub of activity remains within the home. Family reunions require additional effort and expenses, but it is all extremely exciting.

Sun. — Dec. 27 — MOON — Another round of visiting, entertaining and recreational pursuits continues to add to the general gaiety. Display your versatility.

Mon. — Dec. 28 — SUN — Whether you are on a vacation or back to the grindstone, the spirit of fun is not lacking. Watch for a money-making proposition.

Tue. — Dec. 29 — SUN — Be careful about spending above your means just to make an impression. A good day to make reservations for the coming New Year's celebration.

Wed. — Dec. 30 — MERCURY — Stick close to the job today as there are excellent opportunities to extract a raise or other compensation. Share your returns.

Thu. — Dec. 31 — MERCURY — The daylight hours can be spent profitably in your place of work. Be moderate and help to make this a really happy New Year's eve.

Cancer

(or Cancer Rising)

Weekly Guide •

Born June 22 thru July 22

General Outlook

HUSTLE and bustle is just what this interesting month has to offer, particularly around the house. It will require much patience on your part at times to keep temperaments, especially your own, from getting out of hand just when much more could be accomplished through understanding and self-sacrifice. The contentions that could rend the family asunder should be swept aside, not only for the holidays, but for all the years that follow. There is a changing phase relieving you of certain domestic responsibilities and giving added impetus to efforts to find new ways and means to express your true self, to achieve an exalted ambition. Attachments that are now formed promise to endure and to encourage the creativeness that is within you. Success will come to you, slowly but surely, once you cast aside day-dreaming or utopian theories and pursue a plodding, conservative course to your goal.

December 1st to 8th

Speculation, extravagance and emotional adventures should not be countenanced this week to avert the adverse consequences that are foreshadowed by planetary aspects. Loyalty to the home and family is desirable and essential to prevent scenes and other disruptive effects on the 1st-2nd. A loved one or offspring may be undergoing a rather trying experience, or faced with one, necessitating help and sympathy on your part (3rd-4th). You also should be attentive to signs that mean threats to your health or job connections seeing that the New Moon stresses this particular department (5th-6th). Squelch all erratic notions and be ready to conform to the wishes of those who share your living quarters to prevent an explosive situation from going off (7th-8th). Check on all electrical connections and fire hazards during this period.

December 9th to 15th

Avoid controversies with your mate, partner or others who have a stake in your economic stability, particularly from the 9th to 11th. It will take finesse and profound wisdom to cope with a family or residential problem, rather than an emo-

tional or forceful approach (12th). Decisions made in haste then give plenty of time for regrets thereafter. Observe all the rules that protect your well-being, and one of them is moderation in food (13th). The tempo steps up in your job or business circle, and this means added earnings for you if you put in an extra effort to keep up with, or surpass it (14th-15th).

December 16th to 22nd

Discrimination in choosing rather than the monetary value is what makes greeting cards and presents unique and acceptable. It is time to start thinking of your special friends and dear ones and to make your selections while they still are available in the stores and shops (16th-17th). Your own happiness will be augmented if you give a thought to those who are bedridden or unable to provide the good cheer that is symbolic of the holiday season (18th-19th). The Full Moon (20th) continues to emphasize health and solid occupational ties for continuing progress and self-betterment. Put no more strain on your nerves or on the endurance of others even if you feel you have plenty of justification for feeling provoked (21st-22nd). A lift in spirits is due.

December 23rd to 31st

Let your generous impulses gain the upper hand this week even if it means going over the fixed budget. The pleasure and gratitude of those who share your life or who work for you would more than compensate for additional expenditures (23rd-24th). Monetary gifts may also come your way if you are in the employ of others. Christmas day (25th) will be made the merrier by the presence of next of kin, the younger set and other members of the family circle. The 26th calls for a respite as a new round of festivities is indicated for the 27th. The 28th-29th give you a grand opening to display your domestic aptitudes, especially if you have guests for the holidays. Tighten the bonds that exist between you, your mate and other dear ones by giving the grandest New Year's eve celebration you can figure out (30th-31st).

Cancer Daily Guide

"A propensity of hope and joy is real riches; one to fear and sorrow, real poverty."

—June

Tue. — Dec. 1 — MOON — Domestic difficulties may be provoked by money questions or the problems of youngsters. Don't depend on luck in speculative ventures.

Wed. — Dec. 2 — MOON — It is not too early for the family to get started on plans for the holidays. Confusion can be prevented by allotting duties fairly.

Thu. — Dec. 3 — SUN — Be sympathetic and helpful if a loved one is going through a difficult period. There may be a chance to exploit your creative talents.

Fri. — Dec. 4 — SUN — The ideas that stem from inspirational sources should now be taken seriously. They may mean a lot in getting you out of a long-standing rut.

Sat. — Dec. 5 — MERCURY — A good day to shop if you are looking for objects of art, jewelry and personal gifts for women. Just keep within your fixed budget.

Sun. — Dec. 6 — MERCURY — The New Moon stresses health and working conditions. Make certain that neither are threatened by emotional complications, discontent.

Mon. — Dec. 7 — VENUS — Take all due precautions against faulty electrical connections or fire hazards at home. Partner and family are extremely sensitive.

Tue. — Dec. 8 — VENUS — Try not to give others the wrong impression by being overly secretive or erratic. You must inspire confidence yourself in order to gain it from others.

Wed. — Dec. 9 — VENUS — Give others plenty of leeway if they are irritable or unpredictable. The eve is much more favorable for understandings, planning.

Thu. — Dec. 10 — PLUTO — Hard work will keep your mind off unpleasant thoughts and bolster your economic resources. Act jointly with partners in money matters.

Fri. — Dec. 11 — PLUTO — There is a brighter outlook regarding economic questions with others in a more cooperative frame of mind. Use conservative practices.

Sat. — Dec. 12 — JUPITER — Don't commit your resources too far into the future as changed working conditions could alter your present position. Eve tense—better relax at home.

Sun. — Dec. 13 — JUPITER — Don't postpone physical check-ups if you are not feeling up to par. Neglected colds or ailments invite serious future complications.

Mon. — Dec. 14 — SATURN — An ideal day to trade, solicit orders or gain the attention of higher-ups. One of your best assets is ingenuity, dependability.

Tue. — Dec. 15 — SATURN — Don't be too anxious or nervous when dealing with important people as this reacts against you. Compose domestic differences tonight.

Wed. — Dec. 16 — URANUS — Don't be taken in by people who are trying to pres-

sure you into spending against your better judgment. Work efforts are amply rewarded.

Thu. — Dec. 17 — URANUS — Your hopes regarding residential and occupational matters stand a good chance of being realized. Strive toward that end.

Fri. — Dec. 18 — NEPTUNE — Needless worry provides an additional strain on your nervous system. Adopt a program of healthful living, rest, recreation.

Sat. — Dec. 19 — NEPTUNE — Charitable impulses should be followed as they contribute to your as well as other people's happiness. Build up your energies.

Sun. — Dec. 20 — MARS — The Full Moon brings the culmination of a trying cycle and holds out hope for a fresh and more promising start. Work on holiday plans.

Mon. — Dec. 21 — MARS — Contain your impatience and emotions even if you have to go through a hard day. Your efforts will be suitably rewarded shortly.

Tue. — Dec. 22 — MARS — The pressure on you is still great, but you can handle it by resorting to your fine intuitive powers. Watch purchases and possessions.

Wed. — Dec. 23 — VENUS — You may have to pay more than you intended if you put off some of your gift shopping. Examine your change; check merchandise for flaws.

Thu. — Dec. 24 — VENUS — This should turn out to be a very happy day at your place of work as well as within the home. Money figures among the many gifts.

Fri. — Dec. 25 — MERCURY — A Merry Christmas! There is a great pleasure in store for your loved ones as well as yourself. Visit neighbors, friends, next of kin.

Sat. — Dec. 26 — MERCURY — You may need as well as deserve all the rest you can get during the forenoon. There are still many people to see, things to do.

Sun. — Dec. 27 — MERCURY — The holiday festivities continue with excitement at a fever pitch. Try not to overindulge in the things that create upsets.

Mon. — Dec. 28 — MOON — No one seems to be in the mood to tackle serious business matters. There is a continuing accent on home activities, entertaining.

Tue. — Dec. 29 — MOON — The folks at home need special attention and consideration today. You must guard against bringing up issues that are a sore spot.

Wed. — Dec. 30 — SUN — Gain the consent and cooperation of your mate and dear ones in working out plans for the coming celebration. A good show would please them.

Thu. — Dec. 31 — SUN — Get as much rest as you can during the day as this promises to be a real gay New Year's eve. Gather with your favorite people and have fun.

Leo

(or Leo Rising)

Weekly Guide •

Born July 23 thru August 23

General Outlook

NEIGHBORHOOD and social affairs receive more planetary emphasis than usual this month, with plenty of excitement, traveling about and happy family reunions indicated. This will furnish you with splendid outlets for your ingenuity and creative energies as your intimates generally expect you to take the lead when interesting doings are afoot. Heavier domestic burdens may be imposed on you because of a loss in the family, or the arrival of loved ones or relatives for the holidays. You may become impatient or rebellious at times when things do not proceed as smoothly as you would like. Take comfort from the knowledge that your pains will be more than amply rewarded by the time Christmas rolls around, especially when you find yourself surrounded by the regard and affection of those closest to your heart. You are due to receive the full share of the blessings and attentions you deserve.

December 1st to 8th

Refrain from taking a high-handed attitude with members of the family group this week as they seem to be laboring under emotional stresses of their own. The 1st and 2nd are days when kindness and friendly explanations will go further in soothing ruffled feelings. Domestic and community matters are accentuated showing that it is time to work on secret plans to provide the setting for a merry holiday season (4th-5th). The New Moon confirms that loved ones will figure prominently in everything that you do in this respect, and that your dramatic and creative powers can now be utilized to great advantage (5th-6th). The fulfillment of a fond hope is in the cards, and so is a great disappointment on the 7th-8th. Be cautious in travel on these dates.

December 9th to 15th

The accent shifts to 'workaday affairs and the relations you enjoy with those who share your public as well as private pursuits. It is a week filled with baffling problems and much confusion or discord, particularly if you allow trivial annoyances to get under your skin. Haste and

irritability invite clashes and possible secret enmities, so weigh your words and actions with considerable care (9th to 11th). Arrive at an understanding with your partner regarding the question of presents, the prospective recipients and the costs so as not to further strain a battered budget (12th-13th). Lose no more time in getting preparations under way for the pleasure and entertainment of your loved ones (14th-15th). This forestalls sudden and unforeseen obstacles.

December 16th to 22nd

Even if some of your plans go haywire this week, you have enough resourcefulness and versatility to find more workable substitutes. Should you now have access to important people, this is the time to utilize their influential support in putting ideals and transactions across (16th-17th). Be watchful whenever you find yourself in crowds so as not to lose cash, parcels or other valuables (18th-19th). The Full Moon (20th) points up the advisability of not letting emotional situations arise in your friendships. It otherwise favors private pursuits, particularly those that are intended to bring happiness to the family as well as to those who haven't the means to help themselves. Follow along the same lines on the 21st-22nd, as this will prevent you from getting disturbed over the many problems and disappointments that are indicated.

December 23rd to 31st

Pay little attention to the minor vexations that crop up at the start of this period. You are fated to have one of the most fulfilling and merry holiday periods that it has ever been your good fortune to enjoy. The 23rd may be a very trying day, especially at home, but this will be completely forgotten by the 24th when everyone gets into the spirit. Gather your loved ones around you on the 25th, and let fun and gaiety reign supreme. You no doubt will be expected to take the lead in providing entertainment on the 26th-27th, and this you are fully qualified to do once you set your mind to it. Monetary questions give you something to think about from the 28th to the 31st.

Leo Daily Guide

*"Error commonly has some truth in what it affirms,
is wrong generally in what it denies."* — F. L. Patton

Tue. — Dec. 1 — MERCURY — You have a tendency to be rather forceful right now, and this could create dissension in the family or with neighbors. Check impulses.

Wed. — Dec. 2 — MERCURY — Good news may relieve you of some worries. It is time to think of your next of kin and friends when making up your Christmas list.

Thu. — Dec. 3 — MOON — You are entering a new phase when additional family or domestic responsibilities fall on your shoulders. Accept them philosophically.

Fri. — Dec. 4 — MOON — There is a blessing in disguise connected with the troubles that are now indicated. Your present sacrifices will soon bring many rewards.

Sat. — Dec. 5 — SUN — There are prospects of a loved one coming home, or some other pleasurable event. Start putting your creative aptitudes to work; make plans for the future.

Sun. — Dec. 6 — SUN — The New Moon stresses activities that have to do with affairs of the heart, entertaining, children, education and personal enterprise.

Mon. — Dec. 7 — MERCURY — Mixed influences announce both the fulfillment of a wish and a deep frustration. Avoid anything that cannot be publicized; be prudent.

Tue. — Dec. 8 — MERCURY — Be especially tactful at your place of work to avert errors or the creation of secret enmities. Observance of health rules pays off.

Wed. — Dec. 9 — MERCURY — Many problems, delays or frustrations make the forenoon a trying one. Considerable improvement is indicated, however, for the evening hours.

Thu. — Dec. 10 — VENUS — Your ingenuity as well as the collaboration of associates gets you out of predicaments. Better not delay your holiday shopping tours.

Fri. — Dec. 11 — VENUS — Let your mate and confidants advise or join you in getting your plans under way. A fine day for trading, publicity, and credit matters.

Sat. — Dec. 12 — PLUTO — You may be tempted to follow an unreasonable line of thought or to jump to conclusions. What you see or hear contains deceptions.

Sun. — Dec. 13 — PLUTO — Protect your heart ties as well as worldly possessions as both are under threatening influences. Friendships and money don't mix.

Mon. — Dec. 14 — JUPITER — The prospects for plans coming off as expected are looking up. Work on the projects you contemplate to please your family or dearest ones.

Tue. — Dec. 15 — JUPITER — Your present worries are not likely to be justified by subsequent events, so drop them. Check sources of information for veracity.

Wed. — Dec. 16 — SATURN — It is not going to be easy to conduct business nego-

tiations or to get others to concur with you. Persistence will win out.

Thu. — Dec. 17 — SATURN — Follow the lead of inspiration to obtain your heart's desires today. A back-door approach is needed to swing the important deals.

Fri. — Dec. 18 — URANUS — Social obligations may prove burdensome but they can hardly be avoided. Friendships have to be cultivated to thrive and endure.

Sat. — Dec. 19 — URANUS — Watch your funds if you find yourself in crowds. Circumstances in your club or social circles make for a very fulfilling evening.

Sun. — Dec. 20 — NEPTUNE — The Full Moon is a splendid omen for the granting of a secret wish. Protect your privacy if you have gifts to wrap. Get extra rest.

Mon. — Dec. 21 — NEPTUNE — Not a very good day to achieve your purposes if you have delayed making your holiday preparations. Contribute to charitable or humanitarian causes.

Tue. — Dec. 22 — NEPTUNE — Everything is likely to go awry today. Try not to get unduly upset as this is only a phase which will pass with no bad after-effects.

Wed. — Dec. 23 — MARS — Be cheerful as well as helpful at home as everyone seems to be under heavy strain. Your assistance is wanted, not criticism or indifference.

Thu. — Dec. 24 — MARS — The gay holiday spirit should begin to pervade your working as well as family environment. Make sure that loved ones are made happy.

Fri. — Dec. 25 — VENUS — A Merry Christmas! It should be an unusually merry and exciting one with your favorite people in top form. Money gifts are due.

Sat. — Dec. 26 — VENUS — You are likely to count the costs today, but you should not be too disturbed as long as everyone is satisfied. Enjoy your blessings.

Sun. — Dec. 27 — VENUS — There is plenty more excitement in prospect with social and recreational events predominating. Express your heartfelt sentiments.

Mon. — Dec. 28 — MERCURY — You are likely to feel reluctant to take up your workaday tasks once again. It won't be so bad once you finally get into the swing.

Tue. — Dec. 29 — MERCURY — Accept new job opportunities that hold promise even if this entails a change of location. Follow up good leads, sudden hunches.

Wed. — Dec. 30 — MOON — You might be better off to plan on holding your celebration at home as the aspects indicate it to be more successful there. P. M. jolly.

Thu. — Dec. 31 — MOON — The old year departs on a joyful note as the new one awaits the signal to enter. Join the family and friends at home for a gay New Year's Eve party.

Virgo

(or *Virgo Rising*)

Weekly Guide •

Born August 24 thru September 23

General Outlook

THE prospects of increased returns from your professional, business or occupational activities may tempt you to spend more than you should this month. Mars, joining Neptune in your solar financial house, stimulates the flow of money, both in and out; but it also warns of undercurrents and deceptive influences which could cloud your usual good judgment regarding the handling of funds. It would be wise to cash in on quick commercial deals, the purchase or sale of real estate and other transactions that pay off sure and immediate profits. It would be unwise to stock up heavily on merchandise, to make commitments far into the future, to borrow or lend substantial sums, or to back other people's ambitious projects. When it comes to speculation or gambling, you should not give them a thought for a long time to come.

December 1st to 8th

The approach of the holidays already makes its presence felt this week as there are certain problems coming up in this connection. One of them has to do with finances and this seems to be a source of frustration and secret concern (1st-2nd). Community, neighborhood and family affairs should become more stable and provide an outlet for your mental powers and experience (3rd-4th). The New Moon swings the spotlight on the home, members of the family group and residential questions, and will hold it there for the duration of the month (5th-6th). The 7th is due to be a most unusual day with indications of an unlooked-for business and financial success. At the same time, there are signs that it could all be unexpectedly swept away, so make sure that nothing or no one influences you to take any risks whatsoever (7th to 8th).

December 9th to 15th

Conflicting pulls continue to make this week a rather hectic and uncertain one. You must exercise the utmost restraint when disbursing funds, especially if you are under emotional strain regarding the affairs of a loved one (9th). Good results may be achieved in your place of work

with the compensation fully covering the extent of your ingenuity and labors (10th-11th). You would be well advised to follow your mate's or partner's lead regarding mutual family, business and financial matters so as to avoid creating friction between you (12th-13th). There is a way to adjust differences regarding domestic and economic problems, so explore all possibilities on the 14th-15th.

December 16th to 22nd

The tempo engendered by the holiday season is speeding up and will keep you and yours busy trying to keep up with it from now on. Attend to details such as addressing greeting cards and dispatching gift parcels for timely delivery (16th). Be open to offers that mean bettered financial and living conditions in the near future as they seem to be replete with promise (17th-18th). Ambition is a strong driving force, but the Full Moon discloses that you may have to hold it at bay until you settle certain family obligations (19th-20th). Fulfill all that customers or employers demand of you as this is essential to preserve harmony as well as your source of income (21st-22nd). Watch out for those who come with sob stories in order to get money from you.

December 23rd to 31st

Try not to get discouraged or depressed by the many problems and burdens that cling obstinately to you during the forefront of this interesting week. Even if everything seems to be going wrong, by the time Christmas eve rolls around you will find that none of your fears will have been realized (23-24th). This Christmas day (25th) is slated to be one of your happiest in years and should be blessed with the presence of those closest to your heart. You can take a breather on the 26th in order to be ready for another round of gay social events or entertaining at home on the 27th. You are apt to be taken somewhat aback when you count the costs, but as long as you give real pleasure to your dear ones they will not seem futile (28th-29th). Plan on a happy reunion of your intimates for a grand New Year's eve celebration (30th-31st).

Virgo Daily Guide

"Correction does much, but encouragement does more—Encouragement after censure is as the sun after a shower."

—Goethe

Tue. — Dec. 1 — VENUS — It is very important now to avoid errors of judgment, particularly if it can affect your earnings or pocketbook. Protect belongings.

Wed. — Dec. 2 — VENUS — Scrutinize purchases closely whether they are personal or for business purposes. A smart bit of trading should add to your net profits.

Thu. — Dec. 3 — MERCURY — You are now in a good position to stabilize your thinking, to acquire knowledge and experience. Be ready to assume responsibility.

Fri. — Dec. 4 — MERCURY — A friend may look up to you for advice and inspiration. Be the guiding spirit in neighborhood, family and social projects or doings.

Sat. — Dec. 5 — MOON — A fine day to plan for the forthcoming holiday festivities. Draw up your gift and mailing list and induce the family to do likewise.

Sun. — Dec. 6 — MOON — The New Moon indicates that you may turn a frustrating experience into an opportunity to better your home conditions. Make decisions or necessary changes.

Mon. Dec. 7 — SUN — There are possibilities of a splendid business opportunity and financial gains. It would be risky, however, to push your luck further.

Tue. — Dec. 8 — SUN — If you risk your gains on speculation or gambles, you stand a chance of losing more than you started with. Avoid all emotional affairs.

Wed. — Dec. 9 — SUN — Money difficulties may be brought about through children, ill-advised romances, unwise lending and impulsive buying. Make no promises and you won't break any.

Thu. — Dec. 10 — MERCURY — There is plenty of hard work in store from now on, but this is beneficial for you. Start on home renovating or improvement projects.

Fri. — Dec. 11 — MERCURY — Productivity and outstanding work performance may mean a better post and more pay. Make sure that those higher up are impressed.

Sat. — Dec. 12 — VENUS — Your mate or partner should have some excellent suggestions to offer regarding financial questions. Get together for holiday planning.

Sun. — Dec. 13 — VENUS — Don't let inharmony develop today even if it is impossible to reconcile conflicting aims or opinions. Social events brighten the p.m.

Mon. — Dec. 14 — PLUTO — Your partner and yourself have the same economic interests, making it advisable to reach a prompt agreement. Draw up a sound budget.

Tue. — Dec. 15 — PLUTO — Dip into personal or joint savings only if there is no other recourse. Business and family requirements should come before pleasure seeking and luxuries.

Wed. — Dec. 16 — JUPITER — Continue to be watchful of funds and possessions when

you are in public places. Worrying over the future seems absolutely unjustified.

Thu. — Dec. 17 — JUPITER — A smart financial or property deal holds the seeds for subsequent profits. Hopes can be realized only if you have self-confidence.

Fri. — Dec. 18 — SATURN — Your ambition is accentuated, but you must also learn the meaning of patience. Forcing issues only encourages stronger opposition.

Sat. — Dec. 19 — SATURN — Try to give equally of your time and attention to domestic and professional interests to avert conflict. The p. m. is fulfilling.

Sun. — Dec. 20 — URANUS — The Full Moon reveals that social affairs are due to take the limelight. Mail greeting cards or invitations; polish up your holiday plans.

Mon. — Dec. 21 — URANUS — Don't neglect your duties today as you are open to criticisms and reprimands. Go easy on spending or buying on installment plans.

Tue. — Dec. 22 — URANUS — The pressure on your pocketbook continues to grow, necessitating a quick accounting to avoid building up debts. Check rash impulses.

Wed. — Dec. 23 — NEPTUNE — Don't give in to a feeling of despair as your worries and doubts are not likely to be justified. Have more faith and do your best.

Thu. — Dec. 24 — NEPTUNE — There is an air of secrecy and expectancy all through the day. By the time the day runs out, you should have good reason to be happy.

Fri. — Dec. 25 — MARS — A Merry Christmas! The joy that you bring to members of the family and your loved ones will be compensated in even greater and like measure.

Sat. — Dec. 26 — MARS — There is a bit of a let-down during the morning hours. By nightfall, the trend reverts to social doings and exciting entertainment.

Sun. — Dec. 27 — MARS — There is plenty doing around the house today with company livening things up for all members of the family. Display your versatility and quick wit.

Mon. — Dec. 28 — VENUS — An unexpected expense may throw your calculations off. The situation can easily be remedied once you put your ingenuity to the test.

Tue. — Dec. 29 — VENUS — Conduct your business and financial operations on a day-to-day basis until the trends become clearer. Long-term commitments are unwise.

Wed. — Dec. 30 — MERCURY — Enterprising ideas have an excellent chance of being carried out as long as you do not lose sight of reality. Plan for tomorrow.

Thu. — Dec. 31 — MERCURY — Everyone promises to be in a gay and optimistic mood. Join friends, neighbors and members of the family for a happy celebration.

Libra

(or *Libra Rising*)

Weekly Guide •

Born September 24 thru October 23

General Outlook

YOUR most important task this month is to check yourself for signs of irritability, nervousness and wishful thinking. Something seems to be leading you into a state of delusion, and this, in turn, poses the greatest threat to harmonious relations with customers, employers and other people who are important to the success of your professional activities. A side effect could be tensions in your neighborhood and home quarters with rather adverse future developments that are not conducive to peace of mind. Try not to misunderstand the motives of others nor jump to the conclusion that they are being motivated by ulterior motives in your regard. In fact, most things as well as people may appear to you in anything but their true light making it imperative for you to see things realistically and unemotionally. The year is scheduled to end on a far happier and more optimistic note than the last.

December 1st to 8th

Allow yourself plenty of time to weigh all the pros and cons this week as conflicting planetary aspects disclose that there are as many favorable forces operating in your favor as there are against you. Wrong judgment and hasty words could bring about the loss of money and a broken friendship on the 1st-2nd. There is the element of the unpredictable which should bring you profit through trading or influential connections (3rd to 5th). The New Moon (6th) stresses the affairs of next of kin, neighbors and the people you deal with in your daily rounds and reveals that something of benefit to your community could be worked out through united effort. Any "lucky break" that comes your way should not be tampered with for fear of losing its value and more besides (7th-8th). Take traffic hazards into account when traveling.

December 9th to 15th

Keep yourself strictly in hand and verify everything before you make positive allegations or embark on a rather risky course of action this week. It starts out with tensions building up at home, which

may simply be the reflection of the nervous tensions to which you are being subjected in your professional world (9th to 11th). Take prompt measures to consult competent medical authorities if you are aware that all is not well with you, as you can thus prevent future complications that would be more difficult to deal with (12th-13th). The 14th and 15th are both good days to gain sound advice and the collaboration of your mate, associates and professional people, particularly if you are not sure as to where they stand regarding holiday plans.

December 16th to 22nd

It would be unwise to postpone any longer the mailing of gift parcels and greeting cards that are destined to far off points. As you are already under economic pressure, it is going to take some ingenuity to properly remember or compensate everyone in your intimate circles, but you are well-equipped, mentally, to do justice to this task (16th-17th). Planning too far ahead is not advisable as unexpected trends are soon due to set in (18th-19th). The Full Moon (20th) continues to accentuate family and local affairs and favors a meeting of ideas rather than controversy for the general good. Avoid forcing a showdown or trying to put through important business deals as there is too much confusion to get very far (21st-22nd).

December 23rd to 31st

Outside of a not too important problem which should not take long to solve, you can look forward to a very eventful and joyful week. Be patient in the face of some opposition and proceed with the plans you have formulated to give your dear ones a Christmas eve that they will not soon forget (23rd-24th). Christmas day as well as the two days that follow are replete with chances to give and receive pleasure through social and family gatherings and the exchange of gifts (25th to 27th). A stroke of good fortune coupled with individual enterprise may enable you to profit, particularly if a property deal is involved (28th to 30th). Let optimism ring out on New Year's eve (31st).

Libra Daily Guide

"Troubles are often the tools by which Gods fashion us for better things."

—H. W. Beecher

Tue. — Dec. 1 — MARS — Think things over very carefully before you lend money or undertake commitments. Your own instinct is your best reliable advisor.

Wed. — Dec. 2 — MARS — It is important to know just what you want and where you are headed for before you plunge headlong into things. Check sudden impulses.

Thu. — Dec. 3 — VENUS — Economy, conservation and capable management are essential to maintain economic stability. Also tighten up on cash business requirements.

Fri. — Dec. 4 — VENUS — An unexpectedly profitable deal may be struck if you are alert today. A good time to gain recognition and favors from higher-ups.

Sat. — Dec. 5 — MERCURY — It is not too early to attend to holiday mail and parcels, particularly to distant points. Pleasing news is headed your way.

Sun. — Dec. 6 — MERCURY — The New Moon discloses a greater awareness of family and neighborhood problems. Guard against money misunderstandings, social errors.

Mon. — Dec. 7 — MOON — You may consider future projects that involve long voyages, higher education, personal betterment. Protect your reputation, business.

Tue. — Dec. 8 — MOON — The wrong attitudes or actions can get you in wrong in both your home and professional circles. You may be wasting time pursuing an illusion.

Wed. — Dec. 9 — MOON — Try not to bring your troubles or irritable moods into the home so as not to worry or upset the folks unduly. Problems will diminish.

Thu. — Dec. 10 — SUN — Forget your own desires and think of those who love and depend on you. It is through unselfish devotion that you find real happiness.

Fri. — Dec. 11 — SUN — Include members of the family and youngsters in your plans for the holidays. It would be unwise to delay shopping for special gifts.

Sat. — Dec. 12 — MERCURY — Turn to a trusted friend if you are up against a dilemma. Don't delay getting the proper attention if your well-being is threatened.

Sun. — Dec. 13 — MERCURY — Other people are likely to cling to their opinions with great obstinacy. Even if you don't agree, it may pay you to do some checking.

Mon. — Dec. 14 — VENUS — An excellent day to reach agreements with your mate or business partner. The combination of ideas is the one that assures success.

Tue. — Dec. 15 — VENUS — Be prudent as well as diplomatic when dealing with customers, employers or other important people. They can discern your faults, failings or weaknesses.

Wed. — Dec. 16 — PLUTO — Avoid getting into debt or into controversies over

money matters. Your own ingenuity is your greatest asset in keeping expenses down to a practical level.

Thu. — Dec. 17 — PLUTO — The money tie-ups you make with others are important factors in keeping your mind free of worries. Cut down on costly social doings.

Fri. — Dec. 18 — JUPITER — There are too many imponderables to plan too far ahead. It is getting rather late to attend to correspondence and gift shopping.

Sat. — Dec. 19 — JUPITER — Keep your own impatience in check as other people are also having a hard time of it. Pleasant developments are in the making.

Sun. — Dec. 20 — SATURN — The Full Moon signals the end of a trying period with agreeable and entertaining days forthcoming. Get greeting cards mailed at once.

Mon. — Dec. 21 — SATURN — It will be difficult to pin others down when important matters have to be discussed. Proceed cautiously in your professional world.

Tue. — Dec. 22 — SATURN — It is too easy to make a bad impression on the people you need most to advance your ambitions. Be patient as they have their own individual problems.

Wed. — Dec. 23 — URANUS — Trying to catch up on your shopping will not be as simple as you may have thought. But, with hard work, you stand an even chance.

Thu. — Dec. 24 — URANUS — The spirit of good will and friendliness should begin to seep in bright and early today. The eve holds promise of much happiness in congenial company.

Fri. — Dec. 25 — NEPTUNE — A Merry Christmas! The joy that you have given others today will be your greatest source of self-satisfaction. Visitors are due.

Sat. — Dec. 26 — NEPTUNE — You can very well do with extra rest at present to recuperate from the excitement of the past few days. Besides, there is more on the way.

Sun. — Dec. 27 — NEPTUNE — The accent is on neighbors, friends and next of kin. Take the initiative in organizing reunions, parties, games or social events.

Mon. — Dec. 28 — MARS — There is going to be quite a tussle to get things back to normal. Be open to any opportunity that means profit or residential change.

Tue. — Dec. 29 — MARS — The chances for you to get ahead are improving, particularly if you have outlined a new code of personal conduct. Reason replaces emotion.

Wed. — Dec. 30 — VENUS — Expenses may be on the upswing calling for greater control over your desires. Consider the purchase or sale of property for quick profits.

Thu. — Dec. 31 — VENUS — Don't pass up the chance to strike a good deal before people get too involved with pleasure. The New Year's eve celebration should be convivial and gay.

Scorpio

(or Scorpio Rising)

Weekly Guide •

Born October 24 thru November 22

General Outlook

DEFER to the wishes of those who are in charge of your gainful activities with more than customary alacrity this month as they are apt to be unusually critical and quick to penalize those who do not come up to expectations. Even if you feel resentful over what you consider unfair treatment, guard against confiding in fellow-workers, as there are often those among them who like to carry tales or who may try to undermine you. It is absolutely essential that you shield your good name from attack, and this means the utmost of circumspection in your private as well as in your professional life. There also is a disturbing trend in your financial affairs which requires strict economy on the part of yourself, your mate or those associated with you in other ways. If you can get safely through the first three weeks without undue complications, you can look forward to a happy and relaxing holiday season.

December 1st to 8th

Investigate thoroughly all propositions that are cloaked in secrecy this week, as there are signs that they may not be what they reflect on the surface. You are well on the way up the ladder of success, and you cannot afford to take any chances at this stage (1st-2nd). Guard your reputation and personal advantages so as to qualify without question for the future opportunities that are indicated (3rd to 5th). The New Moon (6th) emphasizes financial matters and ushers in a period when earnings may take a substantial spurt. It would be unwise, however, to augment your standard of living beyond its present level as there is no assurance that things are going to remain as stable as they now seem (7th-8th). Keep adding to capital assets.

December 9th to 15th

A very disagreeable development is likely to come to light this week, especially if you have given a secret enemy any information which could be used against you. Do not disclose your inner thoughts to anyone on the 9th as the danger of a leak is especially strong. Domestic matters come into focus on the 10th-11th pointing

up the need of getting on with preparations to celebrate the holidays or to receive guests. Be particularly alert to the danger of getting yourself involved in a very risky or compromising situation, one that will not do your prestige or pocket-book any good (12th-13th). The accent is on work and the rewards that it earns you on the 14th-15th, and this is the one department where you can give an excellent account of yourself to the satisfaction of all concerned.

December 16th to 22nd

Although there is a lessening of the worries and problems that have made things rather hectic up to now, you still have to watch where the dollars go. A complete understanding with your mate or business associates is one of the first requisites for keeping financial obligations from getting out of hand (16th-17th). You should have an excellent chance to try out the new techniques agreed upon with satisfactory results if each one lives up to his part (18th-19th). Should there have been a slipup somewhere, the Full Moon (20th) will help to bring it into the open with beneficial results all around. The pressure of work or other problems keeps you nervous and high-strung, so do all you can to keep from snapping at other people at the wrong moment (21st-22nd).

December 23rd to 31st

By the time this last week of the month runs its course, you will have plenty of reason to forget the past and look forward to a fuller and more fulfilling year. The 23rd brings heavy burdens trying to catch up, but it will be worth it as you are slated to receive a pleasant surprise in the way of recognition or money before the end of the 24th. Christmas Day (25th) should be all the merrier due to the visits of friends, relatives and neighbors. The 26th and 27th are also days when social pursuits monopolize your time and attention, but they are replete with fun and gaiety. The return to the old routine is not as bad as it seems and gives you a chance to clear up neglected or unfinished tasks and prepare for a busy New Year (28th to 31st).

Scorpio Daily Guide

"Envy has no other quality but that of detracting from virtue."

—Livy

Tue. — Dec. 1 — NEPTUNE — Be on your best behavior today so as not to incur secret enmities or difficulties with higher-ups. Extra rest is essential tonight.

Wed. — Dec. 2 — NEPTUNE — You have a better chance of maintaining harmony once you recognize where you are at fault. Don't put any stock in gossip or rumors.

Thu. — Dec. 3 — MARS — More hard work and responsibilities are due to be placed on your shoulders. Accept them gladly as they should help you to rise in life.

Fri. — Dec. 4 — MARS — Unexpected news or a lucky break opens the way to future advancement and opportunities. Don't ignore urgent intuitive promptings today!

Sat. — Dec. 5 — VENUS — Don't become extravagant even if you are sorely tempted for personal reasons. It is a good time to start looking over likely gifts.

Sun. — Dec. 6 — VENUS — The New Moon is due to stimulate the flow of money, both in and out. It still is prudent to put aside a percentage of your earnings for security purposes.

Mon. — Dec. 7 — MERCURY — The more promising the propositions made today, the more likely that there is a catch somewhere. Examine everything for veracity.

Tue. — Dec. 8 — MERCURY — You are in for a frustrating experience if you allow any one to talk you into something that is not on the up-and-up. Keep probing.

Wed. — Dec. 9 — MERCURY — Unexpected problems, frustrations and delays could mar the morning hours. By using your head, you should regain full control by the p.m.

Thu. — Dec. 10 — MOON — Domestic questions come up, especially those that have to do with money. It is time to start laying your plans for the holiday season.

Fri. — Dec. 11 — MOON — Pleasing financial developments bring cheer to yourself as well as benefits for the whole family. The eve promises a bit of excitement.

Sat. — Dec. 12 — SUN — Protect the interests of your loved ones by showing them the proper attachment and loyalty. Catering to yourself alone brings difficulties.

Sun. — Dec. 13 — SUN — Take all the necessary precautions to protect your funds and valuable possessions. Your partner should be considered regarding expenses.

Mon. — Dec. 14 — MERCURY — A good day's work brings a welcome boost to the pay envelope. You are in an excellent position to display your exclusive talents.

Tue. — Dec. 15 — MERCURY — Keep up the good work without stirring up envy or antagonisms of fellow-workers. Steer clear of compromising ties or questionable ventures.

Wed. — Dec. 16 — VENUS — Associates are apt to be particularly sensitive and ob-

ject to any form of domination. Follow through in profitable trade propositions or agreements.

Thu. — Dec. 17 — VENUS — Giving others full credit for honesty and ability could mean money to you. Let no opportunity slip through your fingers by default.

Fri. — Dec. 18 — PLUTO — Although the pressure to spend is strong, it is necessary to live up to a strict budget. Convince your mate to try and match your efforts.

Sat. — Dec. 19 — PLUTO — Be judicious in your buying; pay no more than the proper value for merchandise. Cooperation is needed to prevent waste, extravagance.

Sun. — Dec. 20 — JUPITER — The Full Moon counsels taking possible future trends and needs into consideration when making monetary arrangements. P. M. amusing and diverting.

Mon. — Dec. 21 — JUPITER — The demands or extravagance of others may work havoc with your planning. Let no one pass on his money problems to you at this time.

Tue. — Dec. 22 — JUPITER — Keep a cool head even if you are confronted with delays, problems and a general lack of understanding. Those in charge are exacting.

Wed. — Dec. 23 — SATURN — Try not to take things too seriously as everybody seems to be working under pressure right now. Check gift purchases for defects.

Thu. — Dec. 24 — SATURN — You may breathe easier now as everyone is ready to get into the holiday mood. Money or honors figure among your gifts this p. m.

Fri. — Dec. 25 — URANUS — A Merry Christmas! There is plenty of merrymaking in store with friends, next of kin and neighbors participating. Surprises due.

Sat. — Dec. 26 — URANUS — Cut down a bit on social activities that are putting too great a strain on your pocketbook. Valuable leads come to you this evening.

Sun. — Dec. 27 — URANUS — Many people come into the picture again today. Profit by the occasion to meet prominent persons who can be of service later on.

Mon. — Dec. 28 — NEPTUNE — It is back to work and the daily routine today. The slow pace should give you a chance to clean up unfinished tasks and relax.

Tue. — Dec. 29 — NEPTUNE — Privacy gives you a chance to do some real housecleaning and to make plans for the coming year. Draw up your list of new resolutions.

Wed. — Dec. 30 — MARS — Others may be waiting for you to take the lead in organizing for tomorrow night's festivities. Send out invitations in good time.

Thu. — Dec. 31 — MARS — Enjoy all the gaiety that the day has to offer as you have reason to feel optimistic over the future. People are in excellent spirits for New Year celebrating.

Sagittarius

(or Sagittarius Rising)

Weekly Guide •

Born November 23 thru December 21

General Outlook

A SECRET sorrow or problem seems to be weighing on your mind this month, but it should not be allowed to distort your perspective or sense of values. There is a lesson intended for you which is beneficial in that it will leave you considerably richer, if not in material things, at least in experience and wisdom. What may appear like frustration at first sight is, under the surface, a surer path to the eventual realization of your innermost wishes. There is plenty of activity indicated for the social department of your life with some very inspiring side effects. However, you are still very vulnerable as far as your friendships and finances are concerned, so strive to keep the two apart as far as it is humanly possible. The sacrifices you make now will be productive of greater economic security later, so there should be no hesitancy on your part to make them willingly. Cling to your highest ideals and aspirations.

December 1st to 8th

Pay no heed to idle rumors or malicious gossip as there seems to be plenty of both floating around this week. It is better to allow opinionated people all the freedom of speech they desire without too forceful contradiction so as not to earn their secret enmity (1st-2nd). Very discreet or behind-the-scenes operations bring unexpected profits which should immediately be placed in your savings account or secure investments (3rd to 5th). The New Moon (5th) heralds a fresh and active personal cycle during which you can make substantial progress, provided you free yourself of certain handicapping moods or traits. Aim for complete harmony with your mate or business associates even if it means a financial sacrifice or similar concession on the 7th-8th.

December 9th to 15th

Your self-control is likely to be put to the test this week because of a problem in which your mate, partner and friend may figure. Let wisdom prevail in the place of emotion should a critical situation arise in your monetary affairs (9th). Devote yourself to arrangements and

plans for short trips, community events and the holiday social schedule (10th-11th). The 12th and 13th are the days when you need to guard against jumping to conclusions regarding marital, partnership and friendly ties to avert a showdown that bodes no good for anyone. The affairs of loved ones, creative pursuits and shopping brings entertainment as well as high expenses (14th-15th). Don't put off any longer the cards or gifts that have to be mailed to distant points.

December 16th to 22nd

The culmination of a cycle is indicated for this week, so it rests mainly on your shoulders to see that it comes off to your advantage. You can prevent frustrations by plunging more earnestly into the tasks from which you derive your livelihood and by knitting your related associations a little closer than they have been (16th-17th). By bringing controversial issues in the open and discussing them in a spirit of give and take, you enhance your chances of getting others to become more understanding, and cooperative (18th-19th). The Full Moon (20th) reveals the basic factors that may be in dispute giving all parties a chance to apply corrective measures, particularly in the field of economics. Make the necessary concessions without more ado (21st-22nd).

December 23rd to 31st

This is the week to put contentions and personal differences aside and to get into the proper holiday mood. This will encourage hopeful developments along with the exchange of material gifts, and give you a chance to set yourself on a more progressive course in the future (23rd-24th). Christmas day (25th) is rendered all the merrier by the receipt of a valuable or monetary gift as well as by the presence of your favorite people. Financial matters call for some attention on the 26th; but, by the 27th, the social season is in full swing again. There is a bit of a problem connected with the finances of a friend, but it can be straightened out with your help should you be so disposed (28th-29th). A quiet celebration is due to usher the old year out (30th-31st).

Sagittarius Daily Guide

*"How strangely high endeavors may be blessed
where piety and valor jointly go."*

—Dryden

Tue. — Dec. 1 — URANUS — There is no profit in worry. You will have to swing into action if you expect to realize your hopes. Protect your vital friendships and ideals.

Wed. — Dec. 2 — URANUS — Make it a point to listen to what others have to say as this may enable you to save some money. Turn down ambiguous deals or offers.

Thu. — Dec. 3 — NEPTUNE — You have to be very careful to guard yourself against the malice or envy of others from now on. Face your problems with realism.

Fri. — Dec. 4 — NEPTUNE — Security may be had, but at the price of a certain restraint on your freedom. Try not to be influenced by rumors or idle gossip.

Sat. — Dec. 5 — MARS — Start working on the projects that have to do with personal matters, your associations and sociability. The p. m. brings needed relaxation.

Sun. — Dec. 6 — MARS — The New Moon stimulates your spirit of individual enterprise. Just make sure you are not going to embark on a wild-goose chase.

Mon. — Dec. 7 — VENUS — There is an opportunity to add to your earnings or material resources, particularly through your mate or friends. Taking risks brings loss and regret.

Tue. — Dec. 8 — VENUS — Consider the limitations imposed on your budget when you are drawing up the list to cover the holiday expenses. Accent thrift at home.

Wed. — Dec. 9 — VENUS — Prudence is essential whether you are lending, borrowing or making purchases. It is unwise to stock up inventories or buy on credit.

Thu. — Dec. 10 — MERCURY — You can get around delays and red-tape through diplomacy and personal charm. It is not too early to attend to holiday correspondence.

Fri. — Dec. 11 — MERCURY — You have a full day's work attending to occupational chores, social and neighborhood matters. Enjoy your home atmosphere this eve.

Sat. — Dec. 12 — MOON — Your home companions may be exceptionally sensitive. Be helpful if a friend is in serious difficulties. Make sure that these are real.

Sun. — Dec. 13 — MOON — Serenity at home should not be disturbed even if you and your mate cannot arrive at an understanding. Things simmer down after noon.

Mon. — Dec. 14 — SUN — You are due to derive much pleasure from creative work, the younger members of the family group and loved ones. Good for gift shopping.

Tue. — Dec. 15 — SUN — Make the most of another exciting and fulfilling day. A little patience gets you further in crowds and stores. Get extra rest tonight.

Wed. — Dec. 16 — MERCURY — Co-workers and people who serve you are apt to

be overwrought, so give them plenty of consideration. Future prospects look better and brighter.

Thu. — Dec. 17 — MERCURY — Any plans you make regarding travel, club and social activities, also family reunions are under favorable aspects. Work pays off.

Fri. — Dec. 18 — VENUS — A good day to catch up on unfinished business so as to be free for the holiday preparations. Ease relations with principal associates.

Sat. — Dec. 19 — VENUS — It is better to get people on your side than to engage in controversies. You cannot quite accomplish your aims without strong allies.

Sun. — Dec. 20 — PLUTO — The Full Moon emphasizes the role that others play in establishing complete economic security. Get mutual finances in good order.

Mon. — Dec. 21 — PLUTO — A give and take attitude will make it easier to get along with people who have a mind of their own today. Settle monetary claims promptly.

Tue. — Dec. 22 — PLUTO — It is going to prove rather costly if you have postponed your Christmas shopping till now. Use discrimination when selecting presents.

Wed. — Dec. 23 — JUPITER — Try not to see only the dark side of things as there is promise of considerable improvement. Patch up past and present differences.

Thu. — Dec. 24 — JUPITER — There are many good things headed your way including an unexpected money gift. Gather your loved ones around for an exciting eve.

Fri. — Dec. 25 — SATURN — A Merry Christmas! Unusually fine planetary configurations foreshadow a happy and inspiring holiday. Entertain key people this eve.

Sat. — Dec. 26 — SATURN — You should have enough spare time to straighten out certain pressing business and financial affairs. Aim for complete self-sufficiency.

Sun. — Dec. 27 — SATURN — An excellent day to indulge in intellectual discussions and to wind up the day with stimulating friends. Put off business problems and concerns.

Mon. — Dec. 28 — URANUS — Misplaced generosity may cost you plenty, so check up on all claims. Your own powers of perception help you to determine people's motives.

Tue. — Dec. 29 — URANUS — Accept offers that mean money to you only after you have absolute guarantees as to their authenticity. Social affairs come in droves.

Wed. — Dec. 30 — NEPTUNE — Wind up your affairs for the month and see how you can improve your financial and personal position. It is time for resolutions.

Thu. — Dec. 31 — NEPTUNE — A private celebration with chosen people should be more satisfying and entertaining than one in public places. Indulge in moderation.

Capricorn

(or Capricorn Rising)

Weekly Guide •

Born December 22 thru January 19

General Outlook

YOU have too much at stake this month to defy those who are in authority or in a position to dash your hopes of achieving your main objectives. Even if you are tempted to adopt a defiant attitude or retaliate in kind, it would be very unwise to attempt such methods which are, in any event, somewhat foreign to your customary procedures. Your excellent natural qualities of patience, diplomacy and shrewd calculation are still the best weapons to use when you are confronted with irascible people and ticklish situations. Your relations with your mate, business associates or co-workers also need to be carefully watched so as not to create smoldering animosities which could eventually be turned against you. Those who are in the employ of large organizations may be in line for promotion or financial reward. Be just as generous toward those who have served you well and faithfully in the past.

December 1st to 8th

Conditions are apt to be rather tense this week necessitating much resourcefulness and restraint on your part to keep them from getting out of hand. Protect your credit standing and take no risks on lending, borrowing or piling up merchandise for resale (1st-2nd). The emphasis is on the affairs or troubles of a friend which can be better handled by your partner or professional advisor (2nd to 4th). The New Moon (5th) may make for a lowered resistance counselling all the safeguards available against ills and loss of productivity. A successful deal or recognition from headquarters could arouse some pretty outspoken and active opposition making it necessary to take up the fight in your own behalf (7th-8th). Diplomacy is still your best defense.

December 9th to 15th

There are still some pretty hazardous hurdles to surmount this week requiring you to be in the best of mental and physical condition to meet them. You can best solve controversial issues on the 9th through the intervention of a third party or by arbitration. Financial developments

are gratifying, but they do not sanction extravagances or the abandonment of your usual prudent handling of fiscal questions (10th-11th). Your worst enemy could be excessive ambition or the pursuit of illusionary goals on the 12th-13th. Adopt healthful living practices on these days as you are still open to depleting ailments. Home, the family and long worked-out projects which are dedicated to celebrating the holiday season are stressed on the 14th-15th.

December 16th to 22nd

Outside of the fact that your well-being continues to be your prime concern, you may now look forward to considerable improvement in your affairs. The spirit of enterprise plus a few unexpected "breaks" add to your stature and financial reserves, particularly if you play the game according to your established rules (16th-17th). You may realize that you have tackled tasks somewhat beyond your strength, and that you have to rely more on others so as to give yourself a chance to reinvigorate your energies (18th-19th). The advent of the Full Moon (20th) discloses that your mate, associates and close friends are perfectly willing to assume some of your responsibilities. Don't let false pride or the irritability of others ruffle you—21st-22nd.

December 23rd to 31st

The costs involved in purchasing gifts and meeting the demands of those who depend on you may seem high, but they will be fully justified by the exalted feeling you obtain in return. Gratifying rewards for services, past and present, seem headed your way, and this will enable you to share your happiness with your dear ones (23rd-24th). Christmas day as well as the two days that follow have all the indications of being unusually stimulating and pleasurable, and hold promise of many more to follow (25th to 27th). Your attention is equally divided between business and social interests, with satisfactory developments in both departments (28th-31st). Welcome the New Year as one that contains the seeds of the fulfillment of a heartfelt wish.

Capricorn Daily Guide

"Can any man or woman choose duties? No more than they can choose their birthplace, or their father and mother."
—George Eliot

Tue. — Dec. 1 — SATURN — Do not stock too heavily on merchandise if you are in business. Heavy commitments, lending, borrowing, or time-buying are very risky.

Wed. — Dec. 2 — SATURN — Even if you are pressed by your partner or others, follow your own instincts of caution. Repress ambitious urges that are too strong.

Thu. — Dec. 3 — URANUS — Base your hopes only on goals that are within easy reach. There are signs of trouble or sickness in the lives of some of your friends.

Fri. — Dec. 4 — URANUS — Let your partner make the decisions today while inspiring forces are at work. A brilliant social event is due or being contemplated.

Sat. — Dec. 5 — NEPTUNE — Vitality may be at the ebbing point, so take all necessary precautions against exposure or infections. Plenty of rest is helpful.

Sun. — Dec. 6 — NEPTUNE — The New Moon verifies the need of exceptional care in looking out after your well-being. Also guard well your funds and valued possessions.

Mon. — Dec. 7 — MARS — There are possibilities of a professional success, but this may also bring forth some violent opposition. Handle situations with finesse.

Tue. — Dec. 8 — MARS — Stress your best qualities as associates, employers or clients may be unusually critical. Remain calm even when under high pressure.

Wed. — Dec. 9 — MARS — Another trying day if you are attempting to placate the people you work with or for. Relief comes through sociable doings tonight.

Thu. — Dec. 10 — VENUS — You should have reason to feel satisfied with developments in your financial department. Good work is recognized and suitably rewarded.

Fri. — Dec. 11 — VENUS — Keep on making hay while the sun shines. Your efforts to bolster your earnings should meet with success. Put sums aside for savings and necessities.

Sat. — Dec. 12 — MERCURY — There may be some gossip going around, so make certain that your reputation cannot be attacked. Don't rely on second-hand news.

Sun. — Dec. 13 — MERCURY — Try to remain at home if weather conditions or your state of health are not of the best today. Confide only in your mate or dear ones.

Mon. — Dec. 14 — MOON — Join the family in secret preparations for the holidays. True happiness is to be found in the confines of your home, in relaxation and quiet pursuits.

Tue. — Dec. 15 — MOON — There may be some differences within the family, but they can be ironed out by falling back on your sense of humor. Retire early tonight for needed rest.

Wed. — Dec. 16 — SUN — Obligations

and duties cannot be sidetracked, so you might as well face them philosophically. Be sympathetic toward those in distress.

Thu. — Dec. 17 — SUN — An excellent day to do some private shopping for the gifts you have in mind for your loved ones. They would appreciate pleasant surprises.

Fri. — Dec. 18 — MERCURY — Clear your desk of unfinished business in order to have more time for holiday activities. Keep yourself in perfect physical shape.

Sat. — Dec. 19 — MERCURY — The daylight hours may be very depleting because of the many tasks you have facing you. An upswing of energy is due after sundown.

Sun. — Dec. 20 — VENUS — The Full Moon suggests that you may have to rely more on your mate and other associates from now on. Relegate some of your duties.

Mon. — Dec. 21 — VENUS — Take things easy and let others do the work if you are not feeling up to par. Try not to create lasting animosities in your place of business.

Tue. — Dec. 22 — VENUS — The pressure of work or business is likely to make people nervous and irritable. Continue to exercise care in joint financial matters.

Wed. — Dec. 23 — PLUTO — You may be called on to help a friend out of a business or monetary difficulty. Do so only if it does not threaten your economic stability and future security.

Thu. — Dec. 24 — PLUTO — There is a special emphasis on money today, particularly when presents are handed out. Your hopes have a good chance of fulfillment.

Fri. — Dec. 25 — JUPITER — A Merry Christmas! It brings good cheer along with raised hopes for a brighter and richer future. Be ready to receive callers this p.m.

Sat. — Dec. 26 — JUPITER — Relax today if the excitement of the past few days have gotten you down. There seems to be plenty more in store for you soon.

Sun. — Dec. 27 — JUPITER — Reap your blessings in whatever form they take. There are signs of some signal honor or economic advantages headed your way now.

Mon. — Dec. 28 — SATURN — A rather uneventful day in the business world. This gives you a chance to do some clearing up and attending to social interests.

Tue. — Dec. 29 — SATURN — A fairly profitable day with special efforts helping your cause along. Keep your relations with higher-ups on a harmonious basis.

Wed. — Dec. 30 — URANUS — You may plan on spending some time with favored friends. Get in touch with them before they have time to accept offers or invitations.

Thu. — Dec. 31 — URANUS — Everyone should be in high spirits right from the very start of the day. Special friends make the New Year's eve party a happy one.

Aquarius

(or *Aquarius Rising*)

Weekly Guide •

Born January 20 thru February 18

General Outlook

ONE of the highlights of this exciting month is the prospect of receiving the visit of, or a welcome token of affection from a loved one who normally resides in some far off place. This will be in addition to your own excellent chances of taking a trip from which you would derive much profit as well as pleasure. At the same time, you must see to it that your duties and health are not neglected as you are quite vulnerable to reverses in these respects. During the second half of the month, strive to maintain your key friendships on the highest spiritual plane so as to forestall an emotional situation of rather formidable dimensions. If you weaken, and let your heart dictate over your good judgment, you would be openly inviting future frustrations as well as financial setbacks. The holiday week is a truly inspiring one, particularly if you set the pace and example to your dear ones at home.

December 1st to 8th

Face this week with determination to remain unruffled, patient and understanding no matter what people say or do contrary to your sense of justice, fair play and proper behavior. Your mate, associates, employers and other key-people seem to be under pressure and may reflect their moods by becoming demanding or unreasonable (1st-2nd). An unexpected opportunity to put over a good deal or gain a promotion must be snatched before anyone beats you to it (3rd to 5th). The New Moon (6th) paves the way for the creation of a fond friendship and the realization of a heartfelt wish. Take special precautions in travel and in the performance of your work on the 7th-8th, as these are the days when carelessness means accidents or other disruptive developments.

December 9th to 15th

There is little improvement in sight for the duration of this period, admonishing against letting your guard down for a single instant. Rather than worrying needlessly over problems you do not quite understand, seek the advice of those who are in the position to enlighten you (9th). There is room for personal initiative;

with the assistance of your well-wishers, when you are out for self-betterment (10th-11th). Don't pin your faith on the claims or promises of others as far as your finances and emotional interests are concerned as they may not be based on fact or sincerity (12th-13th). Your chances of thinking things through to a sound conclusion are enhanced through open discussion with your mate or loyal friends (14th-15th). This is an ideal moment to organize club or social events to celebrate the coming holiday.

December 16th to 22nd

Your attention is drawn to the pursuits that center around your home and family this week. Make conciliatory moves if your vital personal and public ties have been under strain of late, as people are now better disposed to listen and to meet you half way (16th-17th). The 18th and 19th are days when social events and the presence of loved ones add color and excitement in your intimate surroundings. The Full Moon (20th) is a shining symbol of the pleasures that lie ahead and inspires your loved ones and yourself to display true affection and understanding. Meanwhile, don't neglect your duties, your health, nor the relations you enjoy with top people and co-workers (21st-22nd). From here on harmony and benevolent good will should reign undisturbed.

December 23rd to 31st

Regardless of the tensions that may be encountered here and there at the start of this week, the trend is taking a decidedly favorable turn. Others are taking the initiative in getting the festivities under way, and you would miss a lot if you don't participate wholeheartedly (23rd-24th). The three-day period commencing with Christmas is rendered all the happier because of financial developments that benefit your partner as well as yourself (25th to 27th). Start planning for a new business spurt in the future with the aid of those you have found to be reliable and intuitive (28th-29th). Even if the pace in the commercial world is slow, be alert to chances to make progress (30th-31st).

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"The gem cannot be polished without friction, nor man perfected without trials." —Chinese Proverb

Tue. — Dec. 1 — JUPITER — Handle clients, employers and associates with tact these days as you will have greater future need of their good-will than you realize.

Wed. — Dec. 2 — JUPITER — It is not too early to figure out ways and means to give pleasure to your dear ones during the holidays. The p. m. a bit depressing.

Thu. — Dec. 3 — SATURN — Ambition is a strong factor in your life from now on; but it should be kept down to earth. Make good use of your administrative talents.

Fri. — Dec. 4 — SATURN — No matter how surprising you find offers or propositions today, accept them as the way up the ladder of success. Be firm but diplomatic.

Sat. — Dec. 5 — URANUS — Put off business and worldly cares and concentrate on social pastimes. It is necessary to gain the willing cooperation of your mate.

Sun. — Dec. 6 — URANUS — The New Moon accentuates your hopes and foreshadows the makings of a new friendship. Continue to aim for harmony in partnerships.

Mon. — Dec. 7 — NEPTUNE — You may be fired with an emotional interest; but it also holds the seeds of future troubles and frustrations. Guard your health and job.

Tue. — Dec. 8 — NEPTUNE — It is advisable to probe deeply within your soul and conscience to satisfy yourself that you are not sacrificing good intentions for bad.

Wed. — Dec. 9 — NEPTUNE — Gain the counsels and support of professional advisors if you are troubled, physically or in your mind. The p.m. brings an answer.

Thu. — Dec. 10 — MARS — You have an excellent chance to revise your trend of thought and head in the right direction. Friends are helpful in providing guidance.

Fri. — Dec. 11 — MARS — You seem to have the friendship of all those who know you in public life. It is important to get your closer associates to feel likewise.

Sat. — Dec. 12 — VENUS — The experts who predict future developments, particularly in economics, seem to be laboring under illusions. Rely on your intuition.

Sun. — Dec. 13 — VENUS — It is just as risky to gamble with your happiness as it is to do so with money. Don't inject emotionalism into your close friendships.

Mon. — Dec. 14 — MERCURY — A good day to attend to social correspondence, greetings cards and family matters. Being a good neighbor has its many compensations.

Tue. — Dec. 15 — MERCURY — Be more prudent than usual on dangerous streets and when performing your daily tasks. Letter-writing, planning and visits are especially favored.

Wed. — Dec. 16 — MOON — Share your time evenly between your professional and domestic obligations. Social questions should be left to your partner to handle.

Thu. — Dec. 17 — MOON — Agreements or contracts closed today should flourish in the future even beyond your fondest hopes. Gloss over minor differences.

Fri. — Dec. 18 — SUN — Affairs of the heart, creative impulses, hobbies and the younger set take their places in your pursuits. Keep deeper emotions subdued.

Sat. — Dec. 19 — SUN — Friendships that are kept on a higher plane stand a better chance of survival. Be generous with loved ones when you can afford it.

Sun. — Dec. 20 — MERCURY — The Full Moon acts as a symbol of friendship which should prevail, not only this month, but always. Place it above other material desires.

Mon. — Dec. 21 — MERCURY — The group or social activities you are interested in should not be allowed to impair your efficiency at work, nor deplete your purse.

Tue. — Dec. 22 — MERCURY — Not a good day to get into controversies with co-workers, clients or people in charge. Use your facilities to propagate lasting harmony.

Wed. — Dec. 23 — VENUS — Another rather trying day. Take comfort from the promise that the events of the next few days will more than compensate you for your pains.

Thu. — Dec. 24 — VENUS — Give your mate and loved ones a free hand in directing any festivities they may have planned. They certainly will not let you down now.

Fri. — Dec. 25 — PLUTO — A Merry Christmas! Any hopes you may have had regarding monetary gifts should be realized by now. Many people help in merry-making.

Sat. — Dec. 26 — PLUTO — You may have to curb some of your plans if they add up the costs beyond your budget limitations. Get your partner to do likewise.

Sun. — Dec. 27 — PLUTO — The friends and people you meet today may be the sources of very valuable information which you can turn to profit. Have a gay and lively evening.

Mon. — Dec. 28 — JUPITER — A respite in the commercial world gives you a chance to make sound plans for your future professional activities. Aim for the very top.

Tue. — Dec. 29 — JUPITER — People seem to be more in a mood for conversation and pleasure than hard work. Get into the same spirit if you can devote the time and money.

Wed. — Dec. 30 — SATURN — Developments that you have secretly wished for are in the making. Don't hesitate to precipitate them when you see a genuine opening.

Thu. — Dec. 31 — SATURN — Attend to whatever important business you have at hand during the forenoon. You have something else beside New Year's eve to celebrate.

Pisces

(or Pisces Rising)

Weekly Guide

General Outlook

THE going is likely to be a bit rough during the forepart of this eventful month, but it may simply be a prelude to the pleasant surprises that also are in store for you. Regardless of the dissatisfaction you may feel over the job you now hold, or of the tensions that build up between you and your co-workers, there are no future advantages to be gained from making a drastic change. Avoid exposing yourself to colds or other ailments, and observe all the protective measures that are in force to prevent accidents or serious production breakdowns. Romantic adventures should not be pursued when they place your happiness and economic stability in jeopardy, as you are not one of those who can take disappointments lightly. Your professional or business interests take a profitable turn with the approach of the holiday week, giving you an excellent opportunity to replenish your funds and to plan ahead.

December 1st to 8th

Good judgment, foresight and a strong moral fiber are the qualities you need in generous measure to sidestep the pitfalls that lie in your path this week. No matter how certain you may be regarding emotional and financial matters, there are underlying forces operating against you (1st-2nd). Fall back on your intuition, experience and the wisdom of those who are loyal to you to analyze and clarify the doubts and enigmas confronting you (3rd-4th). The New Moon is a favorable omen of the regard and good-will of clients and employers when you are charting your course toward future glories and successes (5th-6th). Take the family into your confidence and be motivated purely by unselfishness to protect them against the consequences of speculation, gambling, unwise love affairs, or misplaced friendships (7th-8th). Get your Christmas shopping under way.

December 9th to 15th

There is a lessening of the tensions this week, but this does not mean that you can let down your defenses entirely. Make certain you can distinguish between genuine and false friends, particularly

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when your emotions and funds are at stake (9th). Secrecy is your best weapon in the handling of delicate business or financial operations on the 10th-11th. A good earning capacity is a valuable asset, but also a great weakness if you use it to satisfy your desires, to take risks in games of chance, or in the pursuit of personal excitement (12th-13th). The 14th and 15th are splendid days for merchandising and obtaining the economic objectives you have set for yourself.

December 16th to 22nd

Business continues on the upgrade requiring your undivided attention so as to obtain your allotted share from now on. Discard the notions and activities that waste both your energies and funds, and concentrate on the plans and the professional pursuits that mean self-betterment, materially and spiritually (16th-17th). Holiday requirements enliven the home front, particularly if you expect guests and special occasions which take in members of the family group (18th-19th). The Full Moon emphasizes your relations with loved ones, entertainment, and the clarification of emotional situations (20th). Accept your share of the expense and tasks connected with the coming festivities so as to ensure harmony, and a good time for all (21st-22nd).

December 23rd to 31st

It may take a major effort to get things in shape for the big event, but the joy given and received makes it all very worthwhile (23rd-24th). You probably will have to think far back to remember a Christmas that can come up to what this one promises to be. A bonus or other monetary gift should be one of the outstanding features in the day's developments (25th). Join your mate or partner in laying the groundwork for a fuller and richer way of life if you have finally realized a long standing ambition (26th-27th). Mutual property and monetary interests are in the foreground, calling for closer cooperation and wise management (28th-29th). Work on your resolutions and proceed to welcome the New Year in the company of your dear ones (30th-31st).

Pisces Daily Guide

"Let all seen enjoyments lead to the unseen fountain from whence they flow."

—Haliburton

Tue. — Dec. 1 — PLUTO — It would not be wise to sever your occupational ties and to depend on your resources to see you through. Allow for future reverses.

Wed. — Dec. 2 — PLUTO — Mutual assets need to be guarded by both yourself and the one who shares them. Liquidate old debts and avoid creating additional ones.

Thu. — Dec. 3 — JUPITER — Lack of faith and pessimism should not be permitted to stall your spirit of enterprise. Unexpected breaks come to those who try.

Fri. — Dec. 4 — JUPITER — Be wary of an emotional attraction which promises more than it can deliver, particularly if already spoken for. Heed your instincts.

Sat. — Dec. 5 — SATURN — Promote business if you have the opportunity today. People in authority recognize ability, but are just as quick to spot negligence.

Sun. — Dec. 6 — SATURN — The New Moon urges you to close commercial deals and to capitalize on the opportunities the season offers. Prepare your week's program.

Mon. — Dec. 7 — URANUS — Put the economic interests and happiness of your family ahead of your impulsive desires. The wrong guess means loss, disappointment, heartache.

Tue. — Dec. 8 — URANUS — You should consider the wishes and opinions of your friends as you cannot afford to alienate them now. Go easy on expenditures.

Wed. — Dec. 9 — URANUS — Continue to proceed with caution when it comes to speculating with your funds and your affections. The p. m. brings news or enlightenment.

Thu. — Dec. 10 — NEPTUNE — If you have secret plans related to your business or profession, make sure they do not reach the wrong ears. Carry them out promptly.

Fri. — Dec. 11 — NEPTUNE — Analyze your weaknesses, both physical and psychological, as you may thus find the means to overcome them. Keep pushing key projects.

Sat. — Dec. 12 — MARS — Your gainful endeavors bring suitable rewards. The latter should not be dissipated to satisfy your desires or to take gambling risks.

Sun. — Dec. 13 — MARS — You may have to account to both your chiefs and family if you have not lived up to the best in you. Their esteem is indispensable.

Mon. — Dec. 14 — VENUS — An excellent day for trading, selling and closing profitable deals. Put aside a good part of your gains for future requirements.

Tue. — Dec. 15 — VENUS — You still have your work cut out for you to keep your finances sound and in good order. Keep on warding off temptation in any form.

Wed. — Dec. 16 — MERCURY — Pushing off unwelcome tasks only makes them

more difficult later on. Recognition is waiting for you once you get down to real serious work.

Thu. — Dec. 17 — MERCURY — You can anticipate a very busy period in the way of correspondence and plans for the holiday festivities. Use your ingenuity.

Fri. — Dec. 18 — MOON — Domestic and family problems claim your attention. You may have to do quite a bit of entertaining, so get things in the proper shape.

Sat. — Dec. 19 — MOON — An excellent day to shop for gifts and to lay in supplies and provisions. Take the lead in organizing things around the home front.

Sun. — Dec. 20 — SUN — The Full Moon places the accent on the family and the projects you have in mind to entertain or please your loved ones. Be original.

Mon. — Dec. 21 — SUN — Try to do justice to your professional as well as your domestic obligations without bringing them in conflict. Subdue rash impulses.

Tue. — Dec. 22 — SUN — The cost of careless buying or speculation is apt to be too steep. There is no advantage in worrying over mistakes that have happened.

Wed. — Dec. 23 — MERCURY — Keep in a serene frame of mind as this is important if you want to keep well and perform your duties efficiently. Home is a restful place.

Thu. — Dec. 24 — MERCURY — The task may seem formidable, but if everyone pitches in wholeheartedly, things can be readied in time for the evening celebration.

Fri. — Dec. 25 — VENUS — Your mate and other close associates figure prominently in making this a memorable Christmas Day. Share your blessings with them.

Sat. — Dec. 26 — VENUS — Don't leave all the clearing up to your partner and avert arguments. The late hours favor entertaining pastimes with your dear ones.

Sun. — Dec. 27 — VENUS — Enjoy all the pleasures that the day has to offer as there are developments in the making which will be advantageous and profitable.

Mon. — Dec. 28 — PLUTO — Don't expect too much from others today as they are still in the holiday mood. Work over your cash accounts to bring them up to date.

Tue. — Dec. 29 — PLUTO — Depend on your friends to include you in their social calendar. The right moves will assure you of economic stability later on.

Wed. — Dec. 30 — JUPITER — Rather than wasting time regretting the past year, look forward to the coming one with faith and optimism. Make your resolutions.

Thu. — Dec. 31 — JUPITER — The day is due to be highly satisfactory in every respect. This warrants a happy celebration with your loved ones. Be moderate and temperate.

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