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## EDITORIAL

### *Astrology and the World.*

THERE appears, so far as I can judge as an astrological publicist, to be a certain slackening of interest in our science at the present moment. This is probably due to the general condition of things and also, I am afraid, to the fact that upon the whole Astrology has not advanced to the point when it is able to speak authoritatively to the world. In the past we have had some wonderfully accurate forecasts from Mr. Protheroe Smith, based, for the most part, on the Jupiter-Saturn conjunction of 1921, and, of course, other astrologers have done good work in regard to particular matters. But we still lack a leader able and willing to "speak with authority" on mundane matters, thus demonstrating to all that Astrology, in its own field, is a reliable and valuable guide. It is within the memory of most of us that during the Great War Alan Leo, and many others, were sometimes palpably and completely wrong.

Certainly I claim no laurels for myself in that region and have, in fact, never sought to become proficient in mundane work. I have, however, concluded that we need to devote more space to this branch of Astrology and I have asked the Treasurer of the Astrological Lodge of London, Mrs. J. Norman Rhodes, to write us a review of 1933. Her work at the Lodge has been much appreciated and I believe that the time has come for her to appear before a larger audience.

The eclipse of February 24th, falling as it did on



Uranus in the Jupiter-Saturn map (which planet was on the M.C. at New York at the time of this conjunction in 1921), betokened the U.S.A. banking crisis; it was a clear index of trouble, and really seems to have reaped the harvest sown by the superficially benefic eclipse of August 31, 1932. We have another eclipse, of a totally different character, in August 1933, in which an opposition of Mars and Uranus is "mediated" by the luminaries in Leo. This is all fire and will strike a positive note in contrast to the negative Neptunian influences of the earlier eclipses. The world being what it now is, one cannot look for quietude under this influence and we must perforce experience some qualms. Again, the Libra ingress shows the Moon almost exactly conjoined with Mars in Scorpio. Both these influences may be expected to strike Germany, and, in particular, they affect Hitler's map adversely. The August eclipse shows the opposition Mars-Uranus right across his horizon. The ingress shows Moon-Mars in close opposition to his Venus-Mars conjunction. He will certainly be inclined, under these influences, to desperate courses, to which, in fact, he has already shown a sufficiently marked propensity.

At London,  $\text{M}\ 6^\circ$  rises at the eclipse of August 21st,  $\Psi$  being, of course, near the ascendant, with  $\text{F}$  and  $\text{J}$  near the cusp of the 2nd; the luminaries are in the 12th and the  $\text{J}-\text{M}$  opposition falls from 3rd to 9th;  $\text{F}$ , lord of the figure, is in the 12th in opposition to  $\text{J}$ . An eclipse in close trine to  $\text{M}$  cannot be named altogether evil; but it is a difficult figure.

At New York,  $\Psi$  occupies the Nadir and the  $\text{J}-\text{M}$  opposition falls from 5th to 11th. I do not like this; shall we see, under this eclipse, the result of inflational policies?  $\Psi$  is a champion inflationist and he is no less apt at pricking the bubbles he has himself blown. We must remember Sun square Neptune in President Roosevelt's map; much though we admire the pluck of the man, we cannot, in loyal regard to Astrology, overlook the baleful influence of this aspect, which only the heroes among mankind can overcome.

At New York, the conjunction  $\text{D}-\text{J}\ \text{M}$  falls in the

2nd at the September ingress, pointing also to financial troubles.

Happily, this ingress figure has some strong good aspects, as well as the ♀ conjunction, and at London ☉, ♀, and ☿ culminate in trine to ♄, showing the probability of helpful agreements and reconciliations. But ♀ is rather weak.

In speaking of the August 21st eclipse, we must not forget that it falls exactly on Mars in the 8th house of the map of the Japanese emperor, whose Mercury, like Hitler's, is involved in the ♄-♀ opposition. Thus a continuance of Japanese military activity, not to say aggression, seems to be likely.

### *Testing New Theories*

It is remarkable how difficult it is, in Astrology, to prove the validity or otherwise of fresh theories, at any rate to other people. This arises from the complicated nature of horoscopy, which so often permits the doubter to explain with some show of reason why he does not accept your belief. Recently the Campanus v. Placidus war has raged rather smartly in the Lodge, but it is remarkable how few maps have been adduced on either side that the others could not explain satisfactorily to themselves from their own point of view. Yet surely there should be some people who feel perfectly convinced that they have a body in a certain house, which position would be altered according to the system employed! I would prefer to see this matter settled before I quit this planet and the various difficulties that arise from its inability to stand upright on its axis and otherwise simplify its astronomical behaviour. But I am very doubtful if this grace will be vouchsafed to me.

As for the use or otherwise of heliocentrics and questions of directional Astrology, these appear to be even more insusceptible of cogent advocacy, whilst the rulerships of the "modern" planets will provide astrological editors with copy for many a long year ahead.

The bulwark of the Placideans would appear to be the value of the mundane directions formed by the

passage of bodies to the various cusps, by axial motion. This class of direction was explained very fully in an article called "Primaries without Pain," written by Mr. P. H. Dix and published in the Quarterly several years back. It would merit re-publication. Whether the validity of these aspects is universally admitted is another matter. The same directions can also be formed by the Campanus system and, in my own case, the passage of Saturn to the 9th cusp (Camp.) certainly had a more direct connection with legal difficulties than did the corresponding Placidian aspect.

### *The "Akron" Disaster*

Mrs. E. M. Kennison informs me that this unfortunate airship was launched by Mrs. Hoover on August 8, 1931,  $41^{\circ}$  N.,  $82^{\circ}$  W., the ascendant being  $2^{\circ}$  ♄. One can scarcely say that the aspects at the time were outstandingly evil, but Neptune squares the ascending degree and the Moon, and she was lost at sea; and the Saturn-Uranus square is close. However, there are some fairly strong good aspects, though one may mention that the reaction-points, which Mrs. Kennison herself introduced, are in some cases powerfully evil. The first wireless report of the disaster was received 1.46 a.m., April 4, 1933, presumably Eastern S.T. Saturn by transit was near the opposition of the Sun in the figure.

### *The Death of Mr. J. P. Gross*

I much regret to have to chronicle the decease of the above astrologer; I did not agree with his views, but he was a faithful and enthusiastic supporter of the Quarterly since its first appearance; moreover, his knowledge of classical mythology was considerable and was always at the service of his fellow-students.

### *Wanderlust*

What horoscopic feature indicates this restless desire to travel?

Most astrologers would say that the 9th house and

Jupiter denote travel and that the Moon has also some influence in this direction, but it seems to me that a good deal of psychological analysis is often necessary to see the true index of this propensity.

Case No. 1 at the end of the 2nd edition of *The Encyclopaedia of Psychological Astrology* is the natus of a man who was never so happy as when travelling, the rougher the conditions the better. One would say: Jupiter on the cusp of the 9th and Moon strong in Cancer! Well, Mr. Protheroe Smith has the former position and the Sun is in his case in Cancer, but he detests travel.

The grandson of the first case quoted above (born London, August 27, 1914, 7.30 a.m.) has the same wanderlust, although his map strikes me as a stay-at-home type, apart from a well-aspected Fortuna in the 3rd in Sagittarius.

Fortuna must certainly never be neglected if we wish to determine the main field of the native's interests.

#### *Nativity of Mr. J. Mollison*

This has been given me by a South American correspondent who obtained the data from the aviator himself: Glasgow, April 19, 1905, at 3 a.m. A brilliant map of trines and sextiles.

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### COMPETITION RESULT

THE above was, I consider, a difficult one. It involved three maps, the erection of which, as they were for the States, probably deterred some British readers who are weak in mathematics and unused to overseas maps. Yet I am pleased to say that there were eleven attempted solutions, and there was an extraordinary consensus of opinion. Nearly all solutions hinted at a physical disaster for the child; some thought that the mother was involved also, and some thought that all three were destroyed. The instrument of disaster was generally considered to be either water or gas.

\* Vol 8, No 2, p. 105. Mr. Carter states that time  
 shld be 3 p.m. g.p.

The facts of the case are: "The child in question was put out in the yard of the Winnetka home to play on the morning of October 28, 1932, was missed an hour later, and was found drowned in a neighbouring garden pool an hour or two after the search began. The yard, as far as was known to the parents, was entirely enclosed. It has been suspected that the child escaped through some small break in the fence made by a neighbouring dog. I think there is a very definite relation of the 'small animal' influence indicated." These are the words of Mrs. W. G. Burt, to whom we are indebted for the competition and prize.

I must comment on the fact that several competitors omitted to give any astrological or other reasons for their decisions: in future *the astrological grounds for the conclusion should always be briefly indicated.*

Taking each solution in turn we begin with a good one from Vienna, "serious danger to the lives of all three through an accident on the water" (Countess Wassilko).

"An explosion took place in the home in connection with the apparatus which heated the water. . . . I suggest that the mother was very seriously injured and possibly fatally so. The father may have been able to rescue the child" (A. S. Hurren, London).

"Explosion causing burns and scalds and death of the baby and mother" (L. Langsdorf, London).

"The family of three were drowned" (R. T. Liberma, Rome).

"The home destroyed; the wife died but the child was rescued" (V. Churchill, London).

"Accidental death through fire; the mother and father both died either through inhaling fumes from gasoline or gas" (Edna L. Scott, Los Angeles).

Murder of the mother and child by the father, followed by suicide (S. L. Macbean, Montreal).

A difficult birth took place in the family (D. E. Williams, Titusville, Pa.).

Danger by water, probably fell into a lake from an aeroplane and all drowned (M. Matthews, London).

"Danger in an isolated place, such as in a boat on



the water . . . the watery element seems to have had something to do with it" (M. Wardroper, Vancouver).

The most successful attempt lies to the credit of Fräulein Lore Brüll Neuda, of Vienna, the translator of my books into German. She writes: "The child's life was in danger from water. The father attempted a rescue regarding which I cannot say whether or not it failed, but which in any case probably caused him an injury which endangered his life. The wife does not seem to me to have been involved in respect of her own person, but only through the danger which threatened the life, or indeed, the death, of her husband and her child."

Reasons given are: "The indications of a catastrophe by water were derived from the general disposition of the watery planets and signs, as well as from their relation to the ascendant and the 8th house in all three maps. Furthermore, the danger to the child's life appeared to be shown by the opposition of Neptune to the ascendant, activated at the time of the disaster by transit and converse primary direction. Still, one would more readily assume the death of the parents, or of one of them, than of the child, inasmuch as her 8th house is less afflicted than her 5th and 11th (8th houses of the parents). As regards the child herself, this formation indicates psychological injury in the form of a trauma, as a consequence of the afflictions between the 1st and 5th houses, the disposition of the houses of the water-triplicity and of the planets generally, in respect of which last we must particularly stress that the 5th-house bodies are opposed by Saturn, lord of the 11th and 12th and placed in the 11th.

"The father's map is the most tragic, not only because the mundane square of the day in question falls on his ascendant, but also by reason of the radical positions. In the 8th are the Moon, and Saturn in Pisces, the former afflicted by a square of Mars in Scorpio in which also Jupiter in Taurus is involved, as lord of the 6th, placed between 10th and 11th. Mars is between the 4th and 5th houses. Neptune is in Cancer in the

12th, receiving an opposition of Uranus from the 6th, he being part-ruler of the house of death. This tragic constellation was active on October 28th, 1932, on which occasion, besides the mundane square between Saturn (on descendant), Pluto (conjunction ascendant), Moon (4th), and Uranus (10th), there was also the opposition of Mars, ruling the 5th, to the bodies in the 8th, falling mundanely between Saturn and the Moon. The condition of the 12th house, which natally has the Moon (in 8th) as part-ruler, and in which Neptune, one of the lords of the 8th, is also located, indicates an illness as a result of the danger undergone, whilst the fact that the 10th is involved, holding as it does Mercury and Jupiter, lords 6th and 12th, signifies a resultant injury in the professional sphere.

"The 8th house is also very afflicted in the wife's map and through the mundane transit likewise. But, as the Sun, which is hyleg, and the ruler are not attacked and are well aspected in the radix, one can venture to conclude that so far as she was concerned there was some participation in the catastrophe, but without actual personal danger (Moon and Cancer in 8th—public danger). Further, the position of Mercury as lord of the 7th in the radix, and placed in the 6th, being also at the time in transit through the 12th, points to the illness and vocational misfortune of the partner, the last because he rules the 10th. The child's danger is also emphasised by the position of Mars, lord 5th, in 8th and he is also lord of the 12th (= 8th from 5th)."

In the above extract the cusps are taken according to the system of Regiomontanus.

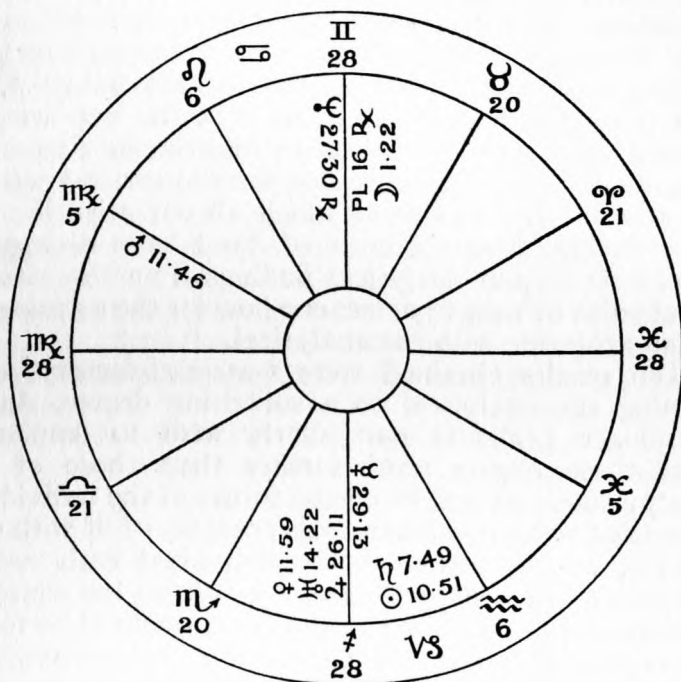
The prize goes to Fräulein Brüll Neuda, for her attempt, though not correct in respect of the father's having undergone actual danger (whether he was ill or harmed in his business at that time is not recorded), is nearest to an exact solution.

She wishes to express her acknowledgments for help received from Countess Wassilko, with whom she collaborated.

EDITOR

## ASTROLOGY AND PSYCHO-ANALYSIS

A Lecture given by LORE BRÜLL NEUDA  
on October 17, 1932, before the "ILWA," International  
Ladies' Working Association in Vienna.



FEMALE BIRTH ON JANUARY 1, 1901, 11.2 P.M., in  
VIENNA

PSYCHO-ANALYSIS is concerned with the investigation of the psychic life of man, and Astrology with the study of character and of the psychic life, as well as of human destiny; the aim of both scientific movements being a common one, although their methods are far divergent. The experiment now suggests itself of applying each of these diametrically opposed methods to a study of the one individual to discover to what extent the results overlap in relation to the psychic, characterological, and predestined events in the life of

this person. It is evident that this problem will meet with difficulties from the very start, inasmuch as it can be answered only by a scientist who has both an astrological and a psycho-analytical training. There is, moreover, still another difficulty, since, on the one hand, the two sciences are still prejudiced against each other and, on the other, Astrology, limited to its specific working-method, has hardly been able to keep pace as yet with modern dynamic psychology. And yet it seems as if a combination of the two sciences would not only have a positive interest for Astrology, but indeed a real significance for the general welfare of man, in the service of which all our scientific disciplines are, after all, engaged. So I have decided to approach certain analytical findings from the astrological point of view to determine how far the astrological results coincide with the analytical.

The results obtained were very satisfactory, confirming the analytical to a surprising degree. As an astrologer I should particularly wish to emphasise that these results went further than those of the analyst and cast a light on the future of the individual, or rather, since psycho-analysis occupies itself with sick people, on the future of the individual with special reference to his present nervous disease, his neurosis. Although its validity is unfortunately doubted by many outsiders, herein seems to lie the real strength of Astrology, viz. in its power *to see through the past of a person into his future*; whereas psycho-analysis must limit itself to a study of the present on the basis of the past, usually of the infantile experiences, and not only does it not acknowledge prognostication but it rejects it *a limine*.

Passing now to the essential feature of my subject, I must first stress the fact that I am still at the very beginning of my investigations and do not know myself how far and where they will lead me. I want therefore to present for the time being a report only of what has already been done, for even these results are interesting and worthy of further discussion. Nor do I want to lose myself in generalities, but would rather show on

the basis of a single characteristic example how I regard my task as an astrologer working from the psycho-analytical point of view. I have taken as my point of departure certain published psycho-analytical cases, all from the practice of Dr. Bien, an analyst of my acquaintance, who had the kindness to put at my disposal his published cases and to give me, moreover, the necessary dates, naturally under the strictest maintenance of medical discretion. However, I shall not hide the fact that Dr. Bien, like many other analysts, still has a rather sceptical attitude towards my undertaking, but I hope to convert him in time to a positive appreciation of Astrology as a science. I said "in time," for he belongs naturally to the guild of psycho-analysts, and is for this reason unwilling to accept Astrology's prognostication, drawing what he terms an absolutely necessary distinction, i.e. for the scientist, between materialistic-psychological reality and irrational metaphysics.

The cases which Dr. Bien was so kind as to put at my disposal I have tried to interpret astrologically as if I knew no more about them than is necessary for astrological purposes. The objection might be raised that knowledge of the case-history prejudiced my delineation in a very definite direction. In rebuttal I may point out that my findings are objective and impartial and can be checked by every astrologer, i.e. that, given these dates, the same conclusions would have to be reached by every astrologer who has any insight whatsoever into the point of view of dynamic psychology. As an astrologer I found it extremely interesting to be able to determine that the astrological aspects and other features harmonised completely with the psycho-analytical interpretation of the conscious situation of the patient, his unconscious impulses, his infantile behaviour with reference to his neurosis, the vacillations and the clefts in his psychic life, and of so much more of a similar nature.

The example I am using to illustrate these facts concerns a lady who suffered from a sexual anomaly and at the same time from an apparently independent



menstrual difficulty; the analytical treatment brought about the complete cure of both these symptoms. Her physician published this case in the magazine *Biologische Heilkunst* under the title, "Spontanheilung einer Dysmenorrhöe während der psychoanalytischen Behandlung" ("Spontaneous Cure of a Dysmenorrhoea during a Psycho-analytical Treatment"). This interesting case-history will be unfolded little by little side by side with that of the horoscope, which agrees with it to a most wonderful degree.

A single glance will draw the attention of every astrologer to the unusual distribution of the planets in the houses, nearly all of them being placed in the 3rd, 4th, and 9th houses, three in each. Mars, too, placed alone in the 12th house, is involved in the tension by his several afflictions. The ruler Mercury is located on the cusp of the 4th house and focuses all the planetary rays upon himself, being connected with every single one of them either as their ruler or by conjunction, direct or indirect (i.e. through an intervening link). Jupiter and Saturn, both having a strong position in their own signs, are exercising their power on Mercury, weakened by exile, and are thus able to act on him with the whole force of their heterogeneous influences. This indicates a far-reaching predestined entanglement in family matters from childhood on, as well as a deep conflict in the psychic life of the native.

In the case-history the native is introduced as a 25-year-old, unmarried teacher, who consulted the physician because of her homosexuality. I must emphasise that psycho-analysis, as a therapeutic method, is concerned only with psychic patients, and that this, too, was the case in regard to this patient, whose sexual nature took an abnormal course, naturally through no fault of her own. Concurrently, the patient suffered from the above-mentioned menstrual disturbance, which was apparently independent of her homosexuality, and as a result of which she was under the care of a woman doctor, who advised her to go to an analyst.

The case-history goes on to report that the menstrual disturbances disappeared completely during the psycho-

analytical treatment without recourse having been taken to any operative or medicinal measures. The physician places great weight on this evidence of the *psychic and non-physical* nature of the menstrual disturbance. Later, we shall take up the astrological solution of this problem as well as of a number of very interesting disease-symptoms and their characteristics. For the present I wish only to point out the opposition from Neptune in the 9th house to Mercury and the group of planets around him on the cusp of the 4th house. The importance of these afflictions should not be underestimated, since Neptune seems to be the planet of female homosexuality just as Uranus is that of masculine. The menstrual disturbance as such seems, on the other hand, to have been brought about by Mars, located in the 12th house in Virgo and afflicted by square Uranus.

Before considering further these disease-symptoms and their psychic causes we must get better acquainted with the personality of the native herself. Her extreme intelligence and intellectuality is shown by the prominent Gemini and Sagittarius, by house and sign, as well as in the mental cross at the cardinal points of the map, Neptune in mid-heaven and Virgo rising completing the picture. The thin-skinned, delicate, and sensitive Virgo as ascendant imparts to the character a too-weak foundation; its worst qualities, egoism and pedantry, being still further emphasised here by the above-mentioned clashing influences of the position of Mercury in Sagittarius and his conjunction with Saturn in Capricorn.

But a distinct element of wilfulness and eccentricity is also obvious, shown by the conjunction of Venus, Uranus, and Jupiter under the rulership of the latter in the 3rd house. This configuration, which is well-known as violent and overstrung, is especially stressed by its afflictions from Mars and Pluto.

And now, what were the first environmental conditions of this somewhat disharmonious nature? Dr. Bien has the following to say on the matter: "I shall report briefly the psychogenetic roots of this homo-

sexuality. Fixation on the father, disappointment and identification with him, inversion of the libido. The father, an intellectual, takes very little interest in the household, having several extramarital love-affairs, which the patient already knew about as a child. The patient hates her father, who found so little time for his family and especially for the mother; but this hate revealed itself because of the former love in somewhat the following manner: 'If you are devoted neither to me nor to mother but only to strange women, then I can no longer love you but must hate you and take your place, filling the rôle of a man for mother and rewarding her with a never-ending faithfulness.' The development to homosexuality was also encouraged by the mother, for it seemed to her, as a woman disappointed in marriage, that her highest pedagogic duty was to keep constantly before her daughter's eyes the repulsiveness of men and the dangers of the sexual life."

The map reveals exactly the same situation as does the above. The intellectual father who neglects his family is Jupiter, domiciled in Sagittarius but afflicted by the conjunction with Uranus, typical of faithlessness. Uranus, in turn, through his close conjunction with Venus, stresses the erotic character of the renunciation of his home and family. The mother is represented by Saturn in Capricorn, who seems better suited than Jupiter in Sagittarius to represent the female principle and in our case illustrates strikingly the joyless fate of the mother and her bad influence on her daughter. We must not be led astray by the conjunction of Saturn with the Sun, in spite of his usual analogy to the father. For in my opinion from the psycho-analytical point of view, the Sun refers to the super-ego, which, either in healthy or in pathological sense, represents the warning and guiding conscience of man, and which is developed and shaped by the father, it is true, but also by the mother, the two highest authorities of childhood. And we already know how lasting was the bad influence exercised here by both father and mother.

It seems a particularly impressive fact, that Mercury is in separation from Jupiter and in application to Saturn, illustrating in a quite wonderful way the final separation from the father and attachment to the mother. In other respects, too, a number of interesting comparative considerations on the relation between the disease and the stellar configurations can be derived from Jupiter. The love of the daughter for the father and her identification with him can be attributed to Jupiter's rulership over Mercury and their close conjunction. The opposition which the said conjunction receives by Neptune, the planet of female homosexuality, from the 9th house imparting a bent towards neurosis, very evidently brings about the inversion of the libido by changing the originally strong positive feeling for the father into burning hate. Besides, we have the eccentric conjunction of Jupiter, Venus, and Uranus and must not overlook the fact that Uranus rules the 5th house. There can hardly be a doubt that Uranus is responsible, because of his perverse and destructive nature, for the apparent change from the passionate love he inspired for the father—represented by his neighbour Jupiter—into the opposite feeling, although both love and hate are intensely emotional.

The case-history now goes on to tell that the menstrual disturbance developed because the menstruation was withheld owing to the psychic conflicts in the patient. To quote: "The dysmenorrhoea was a protest against the fate of the mother and the expression of a desire to take the place of the father, of the man, i.e. to be a man herself. The patient behaved in other respects like a man, and were it not for the menstruation, this memento of femininity, the fiction would have been complete." Astrologically it is indeed highly impressive and instructive to see how clearly the nativity shows this psychic process. Its most important representative is Uranus, well known as the planet of all spasmodic catastrophes, conditions, and events. The square to Mars in the 12th house indicates the painful spasms of the menstruation as such because of the powerful activity of the planets on both sides, a

particular relation seeming to exist between Mars-Uranus afflictions and this kind of disease. On the other hand, we can make the conjunction between Jupiter, Venus, and Uranus responsible for the eccentricity of the patient; and it must be kept in mind that Jupiter rules the 3rd house, Uranus the 5th, and that Venus, as a ruler of Libra, occupying a great part of the 1st house, exercises considerable influence on the character of the native. The love of the unusual, the desire to be different, resulted in the protest against femininity, which then led to open homosexuality. Once the conflicting elements evoked by Uranus have had their baneful effect on the sexual development of the native, the psychic aetiology of the dysmenorrhoea is easy to understand. This is further evidenced by the fact that the rulers of the 6th house are Jupiter and Neptune, who are in opposition to one another, Neptune being moreover the chief significator of the homosexuality and Jupiter having, as already mentioned, the significant conjunctions with the ruler Mercury on one hand and with Uranus-Venus on the other hand.

We have noted, however, that the psychic conflict of the patient was due not only to the disharmony between the parents but also to a great extent to the peculiarities of her own nature, since she possessed strong depressive tendencies as well as exalted ones. Besides the Saturn-Mercury conjunction, which is related to the mother, these influences, centred chiefly in the ascendant, co-operate in producing the spasmodic conditions, inasmuch as Mars is also in Virgo and afflicted by square Uranus. The shy reserved qualities, which are determined by the interaction of the ascendant with the Saturn-Mercury conjunction, are interestingly expressed in the physical and mental peculiarities, which have a direct relationship to the menstrual disturbances on the one hand and to homosexuality on the other, i.e. to both disease-symptoms.

With the complaints from which she constantly suffered in relation to her menses, the patient manifested very queer exaggerated hygienic compulsions, which became almost a vital necessity—a typical



Virgo-characteristic. Moreover, intestinal disturbances also appeared during menstruation, these too belonging to the physical analogies of the sign. They were, however, of a very peculiar nature, since the native always had the feeling that there was a cork stuck in her intestines. Such a feeling of being plugged is supposed to represent an inhibition and can therefore be regarded as a Saturnine characteristic. In relation to her homosexuality, too, many of the peculiarities of the patient point to Saturnine influence; for example, the deep faithfulness to her own mother (likewise represented by Saturn); further, the curious preference characteristic of her relationships for older, more or less "motherly love" objects, for whom she was practically prepared to degrade herself, and whom she could woo with determination, feeling herself amply rewarded by any sign of tenderness, no matter how meagre. Most interesting is the fact that she actually accumulated waste-products of her women friends, like cherry-pips, scraps of paper, and other not only worthless but unclean things.

This trait Dr. Bien brings into relationship with her so-called plugged feeling, and the tendency to keep things back, as shown too by her collection of worthless and unaesthetic objects, with the analytically important partial-urge of anal eroticism. It should be added that Freud, the great master of psychoanalysis, has advanced the theory of the various developmental stages of sexual feelings, one of which is the anal erotic. The anal character, which results from it, he describes as possessing the following chief characteristics: Avarice, pedantry, and resentment. From the astrological point of view these are Saturnine qualities or belong to earth generally. Winterstein's fine book, *Dürers Melancholie im Lichte der Psychoanalyse*, concerns itself with just these analogous relations of Saturn and brings interesting evidence of Saturn's relationship with the anal character, confirmed by quotations from astrological authors of the Middle Ages, particularly the Arab, Abu Masar (ninth century), and the Florentine, Masiglio Ficino (fifteenth century).

The especially strong action of the neurosis of our patient, resulting from the proximity of Saturn to Mercury, can be explained not only through the nature of Saturn but chiefly through the fact that the Saturn-sign Capricorn is intercepted in the 4th house containing Saturn and the Sun. The interception of a sign is, according to Dr. Heimsoth, the author of *Character Constellationen*, a special mark of the psychic diseased, the neurotic.

Besides the diagnosis, the most important medical and human question in cases of disease is naturally that as to the cure of the patient. In our nativity this is vouched for by Jupiter in his own sign Sagittarius, being of major importance for the fate of the patient in general and for her disease in particular. Planets in their own signs are well known as a power for good, even when they are malefics themselves. In the case in hand this advantage is possessed not only by the benefic Jupiter, but also by the more austere Saturn, especially as a result of his conjunction with the Sun, who as ruler of the 11th house shows a strong tendency towards friendly aid. And precisely this constellation indicates that the psycho-analytical treatment was able to achieve a complete and lasting cure.

The astrological features that point to the success of the analysis also furnish certain clues as to the further fate of the patient. The restraining influence of Saturn must be dissolved, as can be seen both from an examination of its action as well as from the fact that the alleviating Sun and hostile Jupiter were still able to bring about the cure of the patient. Jupiter (who has a dominating importance in the nativity, being almost as important as Mercury when, according to Morin's rule, all the planetary influences in all the houses are weighed) finally comes into action. The analysis was able to revive the inhibited love for the father, freeing at the same time the patient's capacity to enter into normal relationships with men. The native is now living the life that was destined for her and which had to come, no matter how much her own mother warned her against it—a warning given at the price of the

psychic equilibrium and the healthy womanhood of our patient.

A marriage is possible, as shown by the rulership of Jupiter in the 7th house, but would soon lead to a separation on account of Uranus, or at least to estrangement because of the unfavourable influence of Neptune. Saturn, naturally, can also not be completely eliminated, as directions and transits will strengthen his influence once more, particularly in the latter part of the native's life, according to his position in the 4th house, which in this connection is important for the second part of life. This fact also permits the conclusion that a recurrence of the homosexuality need not be counted on, since no direction can bring what is not contained in the radix position itself; the latter, however, indicates a serious psychic conflict only in the native's early youth and then again at an age when its sexual determination becomes unlikely for purely logical reasons. On the other hand the configurations have certainly more than one form of expression. As suggested above, the eccentric tendencies of the native, expressed in the Venus-Uranus-Jupiter conjunction in the 3rd house, will therefore work out in another way, i.e. as a result of the rulership of Uranus in the 5th house and the analogy of Venus in the form of an unusually passionate and violent heterosexual love-life. As maturity develops there will again be a transition from the Jupiter to the Saturn influence, corresponding to the separation from the first and application to the latter. Naturally Saturn will have just as little influence through the mother then as Jupiter through the father, and the influences will work through other persons. The Saturnine pressure on the native might, for instance, occur through a late Saturnine marriage into which the native will try to escape from the uncertain fortunes of her Jupiter love affairs, since Saturn receives a trine from Mars, part-ruler of the 7th house, in the 4th house. On the other hand, the homosexual motif might be softly heard through the tyrannic influence of a woman friend (in the usual sense of the word), represented by the conjunction of Saturn with the Sun, ruler of the

11th house. The Saturnine influence might also be brought into action by a daughter of the late marriage, since Saturn also rules the 5th house and is naturally directed against the influence of Uranus in the 5th house, manifested through Jupiter children of the native or her own intellectual offspring in form of literary work. For the lunar ray also acts in the 4th house through the Moon's single aspect, a quincunx to Mercury in the 4th house; the Moon in Gemini in the 9th house promising literary talent, particularly as she is part-ruler of the 10th house. It must also be mentioned that the intellectual powers of Jupiter, standing strong in the 3rd house, are liberated only through the analysis, together with other Jovian influences, now lending the patient a heightened intellectual development, which is one of the luckiest features of her destiny. In advanced age she will unfortunately encounter the inevitable, already mentioned *karma* of restraint and oppression, in regard to which might be added, that it might possibly take the form of organic disease and afflict her lungs.

If I have been able to show by an examination of this case-history and nativity results of analytical and astrological interpretation which are in agreement, I do not wish to give the erroneous impression that these results, satisfactory and interesting as they seem to be, were obtained only in a single happily chosen case. There would have been no difference as to this in any of the other six to eight psycho-analytical cases which I had the opportunity to study astrologically. And although statistical proof can by no means be provided by a small number of examples but would require very many more, still it would seem a mistake to regard this as a single lucky shot, obtained by mere chance.

However, the fact that led me to limit my discussion to the single case reported is particularly worth mentioning. This fact is that although the map shows in every single instance a clear picture of the predestined psychic conflict, nevertheless no common factor for

neurotic diseases can as yet be determined. For instance, Uranus is known as the planet of male and Neptune as that of female homosexuality. It may have been noticed that Pluto is involved in the most important constellations of the present nativity, and it seems all the more right to ascribe to him a mighty influence, as he is, according to Mr. Carter's investigations, the planet of climax, crisis, and upheaval, having a subterranean action. However it is naturally not advisable to base the investigations of a new research field with too great certainty on a planetary action known only for so very short a time, and we must leave to a future time and more advanced knowledge of comparative astrological analysis the question of a possible relationship between neurosis, the disease of the 20th century, and Pluto, the planet of the 20th century.

As a very positive result of my first investigations it can however be mentioned, that neurotic symptoms can very definitely be determined through the same physical analogies of planets and signs as organic diseases, and that quite reliable conclusions can be drawn, there remaining hardly a doubt in every particular case as to the psychic or physical nature of the present disease. The menstrual disturbance, the anal erotics, and the other symptoms of our native illustrate what I wish to explain.

As to the question of degree values, the important injured zone near the end of the mutables in the case before us is the same which Mr. Carter in *An Encyclopaedia of Psychological Astrology* gives for "Neurasthenia," making it highly probable that it is significant for neurotic disposition in general—a fact that particularly calls for further strict examination.

Results of this nature raise the hope that we shall in time be able to make very reliable judgments in the new astrological research field of psycho-analysis.

I am afraid that my discussion will meet with the same difficulties which I as an astrologer met with when I experimented for the first time with the possibilities of astrological interpretation of, and compari-



son with, psycho-analytical findings. Too little of an analyst, too much involved in Astrology. It is just this objection that shows me once again the enormous difficulties which must be overcome. However, I am convinced that a new path has been found here, and I should be happy if the possibilities that are thus opened by comparative astrological-analytical study lead to success.

This success I conceive not only in the theoretical, but chiefly in the practical sense, i.e. in situations where the limitations of psycho-analysis as an exact science begin and where the effectiveness of Astrology can start. We may some day be able, on the basis of astrological interpretations, deepened by analytical insight, to reach a deeper comprehension of the human soul and its fate.

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### HOW SOME BAD ASPECTS WORKED

By MARGARET MACKENZIE

EVERY astrologer knows the truth of the saying "forewarned is forearmed," but it is easier to arm oneself when, as Mr. Carter wrote in a recent article, afflictions are clear cut.

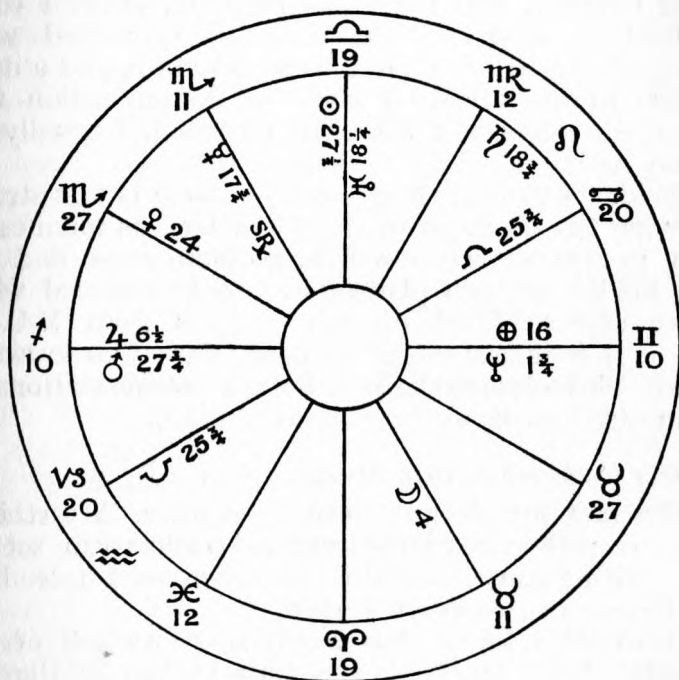
An experience which is still in progress made me feel like the chameleon, which when on white ground changed to white, when on green changed to green, and when on red changed to red, but when placed on a piece of tartan, committed suicide.

I did not throw my hand in, but I admitted that my health had broken down, and I set about trying to understand what it was all about, and why I had to capitulate. For in health matters I have, all my life, managed to dodge anything very serious; rather like a criminal who successfully evades prosecution, until one day the police get hold of him for some purely technical offence, and, having got him, they bring him to book, and they *do* remember past years!

As Uranus is on my M.C. radical, and as that planet has dominated my life for both good and ill, I anticipated disturbance when, at half-time (42 years), the transit came to opposition of the radical position.

At the same time Neptune, radically in the 6th house, came to the opposition of my progressed M.C.

I had warnings of Neptune's action throughout the



year in various ways, a very typical example being the following:—

One day I noticed a smell of gas in the room in which I work. There were no gas connections of any kind in the room, nor were there in the room below. The nearest gas fire was on the floor below, three rooms away. The man from the gas company noticed nothing, the landlord practically accused me of suffering from delusions. I insisted upon a thorough investigation, however, whereupon it was found that the

exhaust pipe from the downstairs gas fire had a hole in it, and as a strong wind was blowing in the direction of my room, the wind forced the gas back from the flue; some of it escaped through the hole in the pipe and travelled under the floor until it reached the outside wall, when, unable to go further, it rose through my floor-boards.

Peace reigned for a few days after the trouble had been rectified, and then, one morning, again I complained of a smell. This time all concerned were annoyed. Again boards had to be taken up, and a dead mouse in an advanced stage of decomposition was found directly under the chair on which I usually sit at my desk.

Incidents such as these, however, were but as straws showing the direction of the wind. Uranus manifested only in strange and eccentric acquaintances, and the full malice of both planets was only revealed when other aspects lined up and a cross from M.C. to I.C. and from ascendant to descendant was crowned by an eclipse close to the M.C. Saturn became stationary, from direct to R, at the same time (sec.).

*Illness (September, 1931-March, 1932).*

The first attack was German measles. A fortnight after convalescence inflammatory rheumatism set in, and, with Saturn transiting the progressed ascendant (in Capricorn), recovery is slow.

It would take up too much space to tell of the details of the illness, but Saturn in Leo in the 8th house, sextile to Uranus on M.C., has always enabled me to take a hair from the dog that bit me, and Jupiter in Sagittarius, my rising sign, seems to give a power of coming to the surface like a cork, when by rights one should sink below the waves. However, it may be of interest to relate what I saw when in high fever during the measles illness, for it seemed to me to be a real experience, rather than ordinary delirium.

As I lay in bed, it seemed to me that I lay at the same time by the side of a path along which people strolled. "Look at this!" one would say to another,

and they would come and peer at me curiously. I knew that these strollers were dead, and that they were earthbound, without aim or direction.

Sometimes they passed on, but some of them distressed me, and I used the old magic, the sign of the Cross, against them, so that they disappeared. Then I walked by a river in a lonely and waste land. . . .

A friend came to see me shortly afterwards, and I disturbed him by saying: "You know, the valley of the shadow of death is not simply a poetic expression; it is a real place—I've been in it!"

A different experience came through the goodness of a friend who believes in spiritual healing.

I had a troublesome cough which prevented me from sleeping, and this friend remembered me during a special service late one Sunday night. I call this incident: *How an angel came to a vulgar modern*, for the kind thought certainly sent an angel; but the messenger did not appear to my consciousness with white wings and trailing draperies, but as a postman! He treated me as if I were a pillar-box, unlocked my navel, pulled out the cough, put it in his bag, locked up again, and walked away! I slept soundly all night and the cough troubled me no more!

When fever was very high I had an experience which illustrated very clearly the idea about finding the Path and also becoming the Path. I had to go in a train which went faster and faster as my heart raced, and then I became the train. I had to go up in a 'plane which also went faster and faster, and I was in the 'plane, but also I became the 'plane.

Another interesting experience came to me, due I think to the fact that before my illness, under good aspects from Venus and Mercury progressed, I had painted a number of successful portraits. I seemed to have found myself in a laboratory for eyes. It was almost as if all the best efforts of film stars had been collected and arranged for study. The eyes passed before me; the pupils dilated and contracted in various ways. Movement was slow and I was able to see clearly the very texture of the skin, and sometimes the eyes

were so penetrating that I wanted to escape from them; yet, at the same time I felt that they were only models; that is to say, I did not feel that there was personality behind them. From this experience I passed to another. It seemed as if the leaves of an artist's note-book passed before my eyes. Although I did not recognise any of the drawings, they seemed to me to be done by someone like Leonardo da Vinci. There were sketches of Jews which seemed to be done for religious pictures, and it was obvious that one idea bothered him and also intrigued him, for the same face with very slight variations appeared again and again, each successive drawing showing a refinement and a simplification.

This pleasant interlude was followed by a vision recalling Dante's *Purgatorio*, and I saw figures like Toby Jugs, all head and practically no body, or with the face gone except for the eyes. It was as if I were looking at the region in which, after death, the astral body slowly perishes.

*They say—What say they?—Let them say*

It was inevitable that advice of all kinds was showered upon me. I was exhorted to wear a nutmeg by one visitor and to take patent medicines by others. Everyone knew the infallible cure, while the self-styled advanced people looked upon me pityingly for being elementary enough to think myself ill.

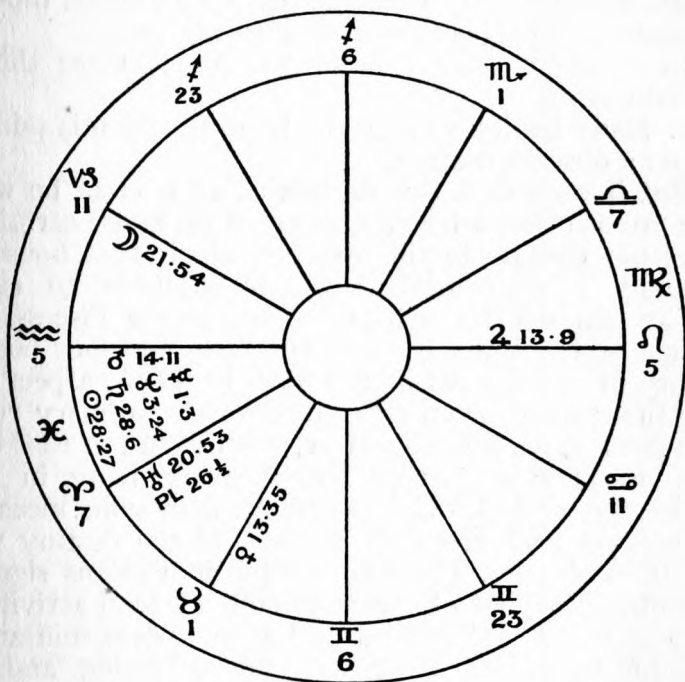
I am not morbid about illness, and as soon as I can safely take up work again I shall do so, even if my health is not completely restored; but I would not "monkey" with my mind even if an instantaneous cure resulted. To deny evil and pain seems to me equivalent to denying manifestation in space and time.<sup>1</sup> I do not remember how I first began my pilgrimage, but I find myself part of a manifestation governed by certain conditions, and I accept them.

<sup>1</sup> It is interesting that it is recorded of the great astrologer Campanella, that, by mental abstraction, he was able to endure even the torture of the rack with only moderate discomfort. This, of course, is a case, not of denying pain, but of overcoming it by the use of higher faculties than those of the body.—Ed.



Those who deny pain and evil deny Love its highest and best manifestation. They are like the man in the parable who hid his talent in the earth. Even so they bury what they fear out of sight, out of mind, so that their minds atrophy.

### THE NATIVITY OF ADMIRAL VON TIRPITZ



Born 4.30 a.m., March 19, 1849, at Kuestrin, a fortress in Prussia.  
From *Sterne und Mensch*, May, 1930.

WE take the above as an interesting horoscope, both the name and appearance of the native having been extremely familiar to British newspaper readers during the Great War.

It is commonly found that distinguished men are born under the sign ruling their country, and this is

the case here, for Prussia is traditionally under Aquarius. This is also, despite its humane aspect, a military sign, and this tendency is increased in the present case by the rising Mars. The fact that the native chose the navy as his career, instead of the army is, of course, not to be wondered at, for the Sun and the ruler are in Pisces, and so, too, are Mercury and Neptune, the two latter being in conjunction, so adding to the influence of the watery triplicity over the native. If Uranus be taken as lord of Aquarius, it is in Aries, which would add to the martial influence, though it would not particularly incline to the sea.

In taking a wide view of the natus, three things stand out:—

1. Many bodies beneath the horizon, which is said to give an obscure destiny.

But if we accept this dictum at all it must be with the proviso that a heavily occupied 1st house certainly does not operate in this manner, albeit that house is actually subhorizontal. Here, in addition to eight bodies beneath the earth, there is a strong Pisces-12th influence, the Moon being in the 12th, and four bodies being in Pisces, with Mercury in close aspect to Neptune; apart from this, Jupiter, the primary ruler of Pisces, aspects Venus, Mars, and Uranus, so that one can assert that (except Pluto) every body in the horoscope, and also the ascendant, is in some measure in contact with the 12th house. Yet the destiny was far from obscure. These horoscopic indications signify not obscurity, but obscure and subterranean activities. Tirpitz was a diplomat as well as an ardent militarist. His life was spent in planning and scheming, and, so far as I know, he was never actually involved in fighting, unless in the Franco-Prussian war, when he may have served as a soldier. The submarine warfare was instigated and stimulated by Tirpitz, and this must have been congenial to a man with this natus.

2. The ascendant, both lights, Mercury, Mars, Saturn, and Neptune, are in the last quadrant of the zodiac: this tends to an idealistic nature, and Tirpitz

was a man with a single idea, namely, to outrival Great Britain on the sea. He was, in a sense, a dreamer of dreams.

3. Contrariwise, all but two bodies are in the first quadrant of houses, giving an exact opposite expression of the inner psychological condition. He was, in fact, a man of hard, crude outer activity, whose dreams were expressed in steel and high explosives.

Turning to the aspects we see a striking amplification of this dual tendency. What can be harder than Sun conjunction Saturn sextile Moon in Capricorn in close square to Uranus-Aries? What more so than Mars on the ascendant? How savagely the two benefics are destroyed in their gentler aspect by the rising Mars, which is in close bad aspect to both! But the visionary side is still there and, in spite of the fell deeds which can probably be laid to the native's account as director of the submarine campaign, it would be wrong to deny its existence. Mercury is in near conjunction, applying, to Neptune in Pisces.

But it is a map singularly devoid of good aspects, in the technical sense; powerful, but not for good. What fleet could triumph under a *grossadmiral* whose ruler of the 10th was setting, badly afflicted and with no single good aspect except a trine of Uranus in the very extreme of wide orbs? Most great military and naval leaders have bad aspects, for their lives are predestined to struggle and peril, but they usually show, if they are to escape disaster, some strong redeeming influences, mundane or aspectual or both.

It is said that Tirpitz had a strong personality and one that did not co-operate easily; this is plainly shown by the opposition on the line of the horizon, and this, too, clearly indicates his enmity with England and refusal to assist his country to make an equitable and honourable bargain with us in regard to naval construction. This is a map that admits of no compromise or friendly pact, and one who cannot easily work with his own colleagues will be even less likely to favour an understanding with a foreign nation. It is unflinchingly antagonistic and may be usefully compared with the

map of Bismarck, who was capable of the utmost ruthlessness on occasion, but yet could bide his time and take his enemies one by one.

Even more interesting is it to compare this map with that of the ex-Kaiser, whose irresolution was, according to some accounts, intolerable to the native. The Sun-Saturn conjunction of Tirpitz falls on the Mars-Neptune conjunction of the Kaiser, and, indeed, indicates the unfortunate influence that the activities of the one had upon the destinies of the other. Note that the Kaiser had the Sun opposed to Saturn close to the opposition of Mars and Jupiter in Tirpitz's map. It is undeniable that the Kaiser, whatever his weaknesses, was a man capable of considerable kindness, and all post-War history points to his having been a peace-lover at heart, although he had an unfortunate habit of acting as if he were the reverse. In many respects the Kaiser had the horoscope of one fated, but the present natus is that of one who through an overbearing personality makes the fate of others and indeed his own at the same time. Yet even Tirpitz was not altogether free from interference in his work, as is shown by his part-ruler in the 7th, so afflicted that he could fight, but not co-operate.

We may close this sketch with a few directional notes bearing on the War and plainly showing how the train of events this man set in motion worked to its close in close harmony with his nativity.

When the War broke out Tirpitz was about  $65\frac{1}{2}$  years of age. It will be seen at a glance that his M.C. is in near approach to the Jupiter-Venus-Mars contacts, all afflictive. Moreover, the Sun and Saturn (by one-degree progression) are in square to Neptune: truly a splendid time to start a war and put all to hazard! Had Britain been ruled by a council of astrologers they could not have desired a better time for the hapless Tirpitz to set out on the road which ended at Scapa Flow. The M.C. directions might be indicative only of the ordinary risks and dangers of war, but the square of the ruler and Sun to Neptune spelt inevitable disaster. No work ever prospered that was so begun unless

perhaps fortified by an immensely strong natus; and hardly even then.

However, the tale of untoward influences does not end even with the above. The Moon is near Sun-Saturn; Mars is near Uranus; Mercury and Neptune are near the square of the ascendant; Jupiter is near the opposition of Uranus—all one-degree. There are, on the credit side, some good  $\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$  directions, which fended off immediate disaster and brought, in fact, some temporary naval success.

At the time of the Jutland battle, Tirpitz was about  $67\frac{1}{4}$ . The M.C. was conjunction Mars and, by  $\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$ , Mars was conjunction Mercury, part-ruler of the 7th. By one-degree Mars was square the Moon and the point of life was with the Moon. It is, I believe, generally admitted that the German fleet fought with great skill; it inflicted severe loss on the British and made its way home successfully. But the engagement led to no ponderable result or advantage, clearly following the indications in the map, which likewise show great potentiality leading to nothing useful, but, in fact, to ruin. Tirpitz' map is extraordinarily indicative of the fate of the German Navy. Even the revolt which finally broke out in the fleet and destroyed whatever was left of hope for Germany is clearly signified by Moon in square to Uranus. Note the values of the signs involved—Aries, the impatient, in square to Moon in Capricorn, showing the condition of stasis which finally led to rebellion. Moon in Capricorn in the 12th robbed the German fleet of the glory of a last splendid battle against odds.

When the Armistice was concluded and the fate of his country sealed for the rest of his life, at least, the admiral was past 69, peace being signed a year later, and the German fleet being sunk, by its men, in June 1919. Such a finale must evoke some commiseration even in an enemy, but, with a map such as this, Tirpitz probably believed to the last that his policy had been right and that it had been baulked of success by the weakness of those who had not supported him.

At 69 the Sun and Saturn are opposed to the M.C.



and it is unnecessary to seek for any better or additional index to the disastrous history of that period. However, about the same epoch Venus and Jupiter are in affliction with Uranus by one-degree.

Death took place, from heart trouble, on March 6, 1930, at the age of all but 81 years, the strong Saturnian influences being commonly preservative of life, though not of fortune. Jupiter is exactly opposed to Neptune by  $\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$ , both planets being important in all considerations of death. By the same measure the cusp of the 8th is not far from the opposition of Uranus.

Heart trouble is not unlikely, since the lady of the 8th is in a fixed sign, as also the ascendant, Mars, and Jupiter.

The retirement of his later years agrees well with the lord of the 4th in Pisces in conjunction with Neptune, and this position also shows the loss of his son (who, according to my recollection, was lost at sea) inasmuch as Mercury also rules the 5th.

By the system of Campanus the Moon is in the 1st house, whilst the Sun and Saturn pass into the 2nd, as does also Venus. Uranus and Pluto are also in the 2nd. The 2nd sometimes seems to show power and authority rather than wealth.

I know nothing of the native's marriage fortunes, but would not be surprised if he was twice wedded.

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## NATIONAL ASTROLOGY

By R. E. RHODES

EVENTS of a dramatic nature are falling thick and fast around us with almost lightning rapidity. The present date (May 10th) finds us going through what may be called the darkest hour before the dawn, and there is no doubt that the darkness will be both dense and murky before we emerge into the clear light of day.

Astrology indicates both the light and dark phases, and now, for the first time, there is hope ahead.

It is no easy task to remould our present inadequate condition into a scheme of lasting benefit for all people—and nothing less will do—as it means making practically a new world to replace the worn-out systems that are now crumbling away.

From 1929 to the present time the downward curve from prosperity has continued and the aftermath of the Great War has resulted in a settled unemployment problem and ruinous taxation.

At the vernal equinox of 1929 Saturn was rising in Capricorn, in square to the Sun and Uranus in Aries and opposing Mars in Cancer. We know what a black year that was, including as it did the King's illness.

The Sun, in the Saturn conjunction Jupiter  $\approx$  26.36 (1921) map was approaching those two bodies by progression at the same time.

Since then the work of upheaval has gone on. In 1930 the discovery of the new planet Pluto in Cancer enlarged the scope of these squares and opposition and hastened the disruptive forces.

At the crisis of 1931, when financial affairs in the British Isles nearly came to a standstill, Saturn current was opposing Pluto from Capricorn to Cancer with Uranus in Aries in square to both, while the lunation of July 15th brought these three afflicting planets into prominence.

Also at that time the Sun had progressed to the exact conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in the 1921 map; both planets being close to the cusp of the 2nd house. It will be remembered that Great Britain went off the Gold Standard in September.

In the present year the final contact between the progressed Sun and progressed Saturn and Jupiter takes place, and therein is real cause for relief. By October the "all clear" note is struck.

The long-drawn-out conjunction of Mars and Neptune in Virgo has been a big factor in causing muddle, confusion, and excited enthusiasm to spread over every transaction, especially those relating to workers and unemployment.

This aspect of Mars and Neptune has been in evidence

each time a crisis has arisen. One was on December 6th last, when the whole world was watching and wondering whether the debt to America would be paid.

Again, the eclipse of the Sun on February 24th in  $\times 5^{\circ} 26$  opposed Mars and Neptune, and we had a series of fires on, or near, water. Also, burning liquids were a feature at this time and later as well. This was a period of great trial for the U.S.A.

The second conjunction occurred on March 7th of this year, and fell only a few days after the banking crisis in America and President Roosevelt's inauguration.

His swift action temporarily averted disaster, to everyone's relief.

On March 5th the elections in Germany brought in Herr Hitler as Chancellor. The outcome was a revolution, the end of which is difficult to see, especially as we have another conjunction of Mars and Neptune on May 17th, when no doubt there will be acute disturbances and clashes between democracy and autocracy in those countries which are ripe for this type of action.

Discussion and possible disagreements on finances, war debts, and tariffs again will be to the fore, and it will require delicate handling to keep the Disarmament Conference on its feet.

No doubt the reason why this repeated conjunction has been so powerful is because it has opposed Uranus in  $\times 7^{\circ} 17$  in the Saturn-Jupiter map; and at the same time Mars and Neptune were quincunx Uranus and semisquare Pluto current, bringing into force the three most powerful planets in the solar system.

No doubt they cleared the ground of debris to make way for new conditions and the welding of peoples in a common cause, which the autumn configurations so plainly indicate.

For now, with this conjunction out of the way, and Uranus past the square of Pluto, we have some faint hope of planning for the future with lasting success.

President Roosevelt has stirred the American nation and the world with his swift thinking and action

(Uranus rising in Virgo in trine to Neptune and Jupiter, also Mercury trine Mars). No doubt his voice will be a powerful factor in helping to keep peace, and also in the coming World Economic Conference, if not personally, then through his ambassadors.

His map is particularly good for foreign affairs with  $24 \ 8 \ \Psi$  in the 9th house and Jupiter ruling the 7th.

It is not without significance that the Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, was invited to Washington during the week-end of April 22nd to 24th, for the new Moon fell in  $8 \ 6^\circ$  in conjunction with Venus, and in trine to Mars and Neptune.

The next day the Moon had progressed to  $8 \ 12^\circ$  midday and later on transited Jupiter and Neptune in the President's map and in trine aspect to Uranus in Virgo. We are glad to hear of the good feeling that exists between the heads of the two nations which will play a big part in the coming reorganisation of the world's condition.

During that visit the date of the World Conference was decided for June 12th. Although this map is not dramatic in a spectacular sense, it has the advantage of being devoid of seriously strong adverse aspects, as most of them are separating, which can be delineated as "former troubles that are passing away."

No time is known at present for the commencement of the Conference: that will make a difference. But in any case the Sun in Gemini and Moon in Aquarius in trine aspect are applying to the sextile of Uranus: therefore new schemes will be considered for the general good. The lights in airy signs, combined with Mercury conjunction Venus in Cancer in sextile to Neptune, should provide an harmonious, impartial atmosphere in which to discuss difficult problems. The Moon is leaving the conjunction of Saturn and the aspect, although causing some delay, will not be so harmful as an applying aspect.

These remarks apply to Mars and Saturn in quincunx and separating, also Mars leaving the conjunction of Jupiter.

The whole map and its influence should help con-

siderably to wise, clear thinking. There is evidence that no little thought has been expended on deciding the date of this important Conference.

Jupiter in Virgo goes direct on May 10th for the remainder of the year; and no doubt this will help to forward affairs, more especially so when on September 10th it passes into Libra, the 7th-house sign, which deals with negotiations between nations.

A noticeable difference will creep into discussion on and after September and bring about a more optimistic attitude. Jupiter conjunction Mars on June 4th is generally considered good for trade. Prices will rise, and if there are any more countries to make agreements with, then should be a good time to come to terms.

We have another eclipse of the Sun to face on August 21st; the Sun and Moon are conjunction Regulus in trine to Uranus and sextile to Mars. These are excellent aspects for enterprise in themselves and, no doubt, there will be activities in many quarters, notably in shipping transport. But at the same time Mars is in a close opposition to Uranus from 3rd to 9th houses, which destroys much of the good promised by Sun and Moon aspects. This opposition suggests a clash of interests and leaders of groups or nations may be drawn into acute situations. Some leader or ruling force will be overthrown.

In Herr Hitler's map it falls across the angles of the 1st and 7th houses. This may mean a tussle with opposing forces in Germany which are at present uncannily quiet.

Are they biding their time before the final thrust? If we consider that Sun and Moon are in the 12th house, we shall see that a secret conspiracy is not unlikely.

The choice of Dr. Bruening as new leader of the Centre Party is very significant. There are other Parties, too, who will not always be suppressed.

The destruction of a highly-placed section of the German nation is bound to have its reaction, and the Nazis are making many enemies. Mars opposing Uranus from 3rd to 9th houses will be bad for transport



by land, air, and sea; and many serious accidents may occur at this time.

The Sino-Japanese puzzle will have a chance to unravel itself after September 10th, when Jupiter passes into Libra.

Two dates worth watching are the last week in June, when Jupiter arrives at ♀ 16 and transits the Sun in the conjunction map of 1921; and also August 23rd, when Jupiter reaches ♀ 26 and transits Saturn and Jupiter in the same map. These transits should be helpful to ease the muddle of world currency.

Before long we shall accept the fact that gold does not create, and that real wealth consists in the application of labour to raw material and land; which is a true reading of the sign Virgo and all that it implies.

By that time we shall be moving in the right direction and the establishment of a new order will be accomplished.

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## SUMMER WEATHER (GREAT BRITAIN)

By L. PROTHEROE SMITH

ALL the indications point to the likelihood of a fine, hot summer. To begin with, Jupiter in Virgo is an excellent position in this respect, since it suggests a favourable season for the crops. Moreover, the planet is receiving the sextile of Pluto in Cancer; and although the nature of the latter's influence is still somewhat obscure, one is entitled to expect that such an aspect will be very beneficial. Indeed, it was formed, from the same signs, in 1921, when glorious weather was experienced.

Then, on August 21st, the Sun is eclipsed in Leo, in close sextile to Mars, and trine Uranus. This should give rise to some very fine hot weather.

Finally, about the middle of September, Jupiter crosses the Equator in semi-square to Mars; and later in the month it reaches the conjunction of the Sun. These positions denote a late spell of warmth and sunshine, and will have the effect of prolonging the summer into autumn.

*June.*—During the second half of June, fine sunny weather should prevail, apart from minor interruptions. Conditions are likely to be generally warm; and temperature will become distinctly high on some days, especially in the last week.

*July.*—Dry, warm weather should predominate on the whole during July; and in the first part of the month especially, conditions will be very favourable. An unsettled middle period is likely to follow, but latterly the weather should again be mainly fair.

During the first twelve days or so conditions will be dry, with much sunshine; and temperature is likely to be mostly high.

About the 13th, unsettled and cooler conditions will be experienced for a time, and there will be rain in most districts during the next few days.

During the latter part of the month, the weather on the whole should be of a fairly ordinary seasonable character. Frequent sunshine will occur, and occasional rain. Conditions will be warm, especially towards the end.

*August.*—Some excellent holiday weather will occur this month; and after a poor start conditions should be mostly very fine. Sunshine is likely to be plentiful, and temperature frequently high.

During the first week, conditions will be unsettled generally. Rain will occur at intervals in all districts, and it will probably be heavy at times, more particularly in the west and north.

During the second week, the weather will become fine and warm, apart from a chance of some rain about the 10th; and there are likely to be high temperatures.

During the third week, hot summer weather will prevail, and some decidedly high temperatures are probable. Conditions should be very fine, sunny, and dry.

In the latter part of the month, the weather is likely to continue mainly fair and dry.

*September.*—Further fine warm weather may be expected in September, and the summer will continue until the end of the month. Indeed, some exceptionally

genial weather for the time of year is probable during the second half.

In the first half, conditions will be mainly fine and sunny, and the weather will frequently be hot. Rain will occur at times in the west and north, however, especially near the 2nd and 7th, and there will be showers elsewhere.

Between about the 18th and the 22nd, brilliantly fine hot weather should prevail, with temperatures much above normal for the season.

Rain is probable in most places about the 23rd-24th, with lower temperatures; but subsequently, warm sunny weather will again occur in the last week of the month.

## CORRESPONDENCE

### RECTIFICATION

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B.C.

Your helpful paper on Rectification is prompting me to offer a few additional hints on this subject of the simple "Rule of Thumb" kind which even a less advanced student might make use of.

In cases where the native is quite unknown to you, so that you cannot form any impression by his appearance or manner as to the rising sign, the following works well sometimes.

Say you have the dates of several important events—an accident, marriage, and a death.

You find that in the year given for marriage, the progressed Moon formed trine Venus, and there is no other aspect of a similar nature, such as ♀ △ ♂, or ☉ ♂ ♀ to account for the event.

Say marriage took place in October.

Moon's position at noon was ♄ 10°.

The ♃ △ ♀ aspect fell in ♄ 14.

Therefore you assume that ♃ ♄ 14 fell out in October.

Noon position (♄ 10) must have been due, therefore, four months earlier (if the Moon moved 1° per month, or a little more or less, which you see from the ephemeris), therefore in June.

The native's birthday falls in February.

Noon positions not being due till 4 months later, the birth must have taken place 4 × 2 hours or 8 hours before noon = 4 a.m.

Now check up any other events you have with this birth time.

Or, if the date of accident is used, see whether there is  $\rangle \square \oint$ ,  $\oint$  or  $\oint \oint$  to account for it, and proceed likewise.

I recently rectified a horoscope by this method where the birth time was not known. Before I had dispatched my findings to the native, she wrote to say that she had been able to ascertain her birth time; it was very close to the one I arrived at.

Had the native's birthday been, say, in December, then, of course, the hour of birth would have been  $6 \times 2$  or about 12 hours after noon, near midnight, there being 6 months between June and December.

In cases where natives have participated in the War, the ascendant can sometimes be arrived at by taking the date of going into action and making this coincide with a malefic coming up to the ascendant, or opposition of the ascendant. Say Mars was in Gemini at birth, and you find that the native was wounded in the arms, hands, lungs, etc., then that degree of Gemini, or Sagittarius was quite probably on the progressed ascendant.

Saturn coming up, I found, more often caused sickness, broken bones, or terrible privations. An afflicted Neptune hurts through liquids, gas, etc.; Mars and Uranus together, explosion, and so on.

When the ascendant sign is known, but there is some doubt as to the degree, the following test sometimes is useful.

Say Leo is rising. Watch the days when the Moon is in Aquarius and note whether on any of these days you meet with opposition, have a dispute, are approached in a legal matter, are asked to co-operate, etc.; in short, whether a 7th-house matter crops up. Note the degree the Moon is in at the time: the opposite one will be either your radical or progressed ascendant.

With natives who have Jupiter prominent, the transit of Jupiter over radical or progressed M.C. will usually bring a benefit, rise of salary, social opportunity, etc.

In both this and the foregoing cases, you must, of course, ascertain that there is no other direction or transit in force to which you can ascribe the happening.

As regards your excellent paper on "The Astrology of Marriage," I find myself in disagreement on one point, i.e. that the ruler of a house has more power than a planet in a house. This is contrary to my personal experience. For instance, I have a retrograde and intercepted Uranus (strongly aspected, however) in my 9th house, and yet it appears to have influenced matters of that house very strongly, more so than the ruler has done. I would be glad to have the opinions of other students on this point.

Further, I have Venus intercepted in Aquarius in my 3rd, and it has acted powerfully on all matters relating to correspondence, Astrology, etc., although Saturn, ruler of the cusp, has also made itself felt, though in a more outward way.

M. WARDROPER.

## THE OPPOSITION

The article on "The Opposition," by Vahdah Olcott Bickford, in the last number, was one which interested me tremendously, as I had been doing a bit of research work along the same lines myself. I have found some of the happiest and most constructive relationships between people with the Sun in opposing signs, providing they are individuals who can co-operate, so that the element which one lacks the other can supply. Granting this, they get along wonderfully well and seem to be able to accomplish an amazing amount of work. In the charts of men and women, Venus in opposing signs will very often create an intense magnetic attraction and the love life is harmoniously *distributed* between the two. I find this perhaps especially so where Venus falls in Leo-Aquarius, Virgo-Pisces, or Gemini-Sagittarius. I do not believe that I have found a case of Cancer-Capricorn, but it might still apply. The Taurus-Scorpio-Venus is a strange combination; the physical attraction is tremendous, but it is possessive, often cruel, each partner striving for control of the other. You might think Scorpio would win, but Taurus's persistency often comes out victorious! And the two people involved love the battle—a real battle of the sexes—and would, I feel, miss the stimulation of it in another, more harmonious, Venus.

MYRA KINGSLEY.

## CUSPAL PARALLELS

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I have a new theory to set forth and I would be glad to have your opinion of it. Briefly, it is concerned with the rapt parallel of the 8th-house cusp. In connection with planets, rapt or mundane parallels are of great consequence, as you are aware. Since the 8th cusp is concerned with death, it is obviously one of the most important points in any horoscope. Such being the case, is it not reasonable to treat this point as one would a planet and then find its corresponding, or rapt parallel, point on the other side of the meridian?

This may be a wild theory, but so far it appears to work well. I have tested it for some time on a number of rectified charts and have been frequently surprised at the manner in which it checks with events when used in connection with various symbolic measures. These may be merely coincidental, but I have worked all of the workable examples given in your *Astrology of Accidents* and nearly all of them give encouraging results. I enclose a separate sheet on which I have worked out seven of the examples given in your book, and I imagine you will admit the results look promising. If you care to work out the rest of your example cases you will find similarly good results in most of them.

If my theory is proved to be sound it would be quite an argument



for the validity of the semi-arc system of house division. Other house cusps might be worked in a similar way if the theory is good. Better results might be obtained if the 8th cusp were worked out accurately to the minute of arc, as in the Century Tables of Houses.

Your symbolic measures work extraordinarily well in my experience; the  $\frac{1}{4}^\circ$  in particular seems uncanny. It is unfortunate that the astrological world, like the religious, is divided into so many watertight compartments.

S. L. MACBEAN.

EDITORIAL NOTE.—A single example should explain Mr. Macbean's theory. Take Case No. 3 on page 50 of *Astrology of Accidents*. Cusp 8th =  $8^\circ \varpi$  and M.C. =  $2^\circ \rhd$ , therefore the distance =  $84^\circ$ . Now add this distance to M.C. and we get  $26^\circ \uparrow$ , which is "parallel" to 8th cusp. Death happened at age 6, so, using one-degree measure, we add  $6^\circ$  to  $26^\circ \uparrow$ , and get  $2^\circ \mathfrak{V}$ , within  $1^\circ$  of  $\delta \Psi$ . The arc by  $2\frac{1}{2}^\circ$  measure = approx.  $15^\circ$ , which, added to the parallel, yields  $11^\circ \mathfrak{V}$ ,  $\delta \mathfrak{H} \square \mathfrak{F}$ .

### UNBUSINESSLIKE PROFESSIONALS

Your comments on the practices of some English astrologers were timely and *very* necessary. I sent one some work, having great faith in his ability to handle a critical job. I received the work one year and a half later! While I waited for an answer from him, I received several requests to do professional work; but, not having the time, I decided to turn all this work over to the English astrologer, my friends having given their consent. His failure to answer simple questions when he did reply, and his unbusinesslike methods, and the miserable job he did on my work, cost him about—roughly—a hundred dollars, and at least three good clients! He claimed illness; but postal investigation showed him healthy enough promptly to cash the money-order sent!

Friends' complaints are similar to what I have set down here concerning two other practitioners. It took one six months on a fairly vital question.

I consider that, as a rule, English astrologers do better work than we Americans. Why can't they give us a "break" once in a while?

R. P. WHITSON.

### SOLI-LUNAR INTERCHANGES

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HOLLAND.

It was with pleasure that I read Mr. George H. Bailey's article in the December 1931 number of *Astrology* on the soli-lunar interchanges, a pleasure at least equal to that with which I greeted his first publications on this subject.

In astrology I am a man of facts as well as of theory, and one fact is that I have found some instances in which the same remarkable soli-lunar interchanges appear to take place as now pointed out by Mr. Bailey. I may well add that I had no correspondence whatever with Mr. George H. Bailey on this subject of his new developments, i.e. not after 1928, when I took the advantage to compliment him on his very interesting stuff brought forward in *Modern Astrology* and in *Astrology* of that year. I am in fact indebted to Mr. George H. Bailey for awakening my insight in these soli-lunar interchanges, though I have to admit that I found out later that more had been written earlier on the subject by Sepharial and Mr. E. H. Bailey.

However this may be, after I took notice of Mr. George H. Bailey's short and lucid articles, I took up the matter myself and, trying it out wherever I saw an opportunity, I came to remarkable conclusions. As real opportunities I consider only those cases where either the birth-time has been noted accurately or those where the correction by events has been so successful as to take doubts away.

I am not yet prepared to put my experiences into a more conclusive form than that submitted in my recent work on *Elements of Esoteric Astrology* (Rider & Co., London, 1931), pp. 140-147. I think we have to be very careful in what we present to the public or even submit to the judgment of our fellow students, and I dare say I am. So, while postponing my conclusions, I wish to state the simple facts that:

(1) I found, like Mr. George H. Bailey, that not only the horizon but also the meridian is of importance in the mutual relationships between the nativity, lunar, and solar epochs and transital figures, which makes me sympathise with his idea that "the reality of the mundane cross on which man is crucified now stands revealed as a supreme celestial fact" (p. 218).

(2) A "soli-lunar" figure (p. 219) may take the place of a lunar epoch as conventionally intended by the rule of Hermes—perhaps the place of both the lunar and the solar epochs. I even adopted the same name for myself in my archives in this case.

For the benefit of your readers I would offer a case which I was able to check closely and which is even more complicated than those offered by Mr. George H. Bailey in his December article. It is as follows:

The birth took place at Hong-Kong (China), June 3, 1930. The father took the time carefully as 12.57 midday. This being standard time of 8 hours, G.M.T. = 4.57 a.m. and at 7h. 36.40 longitude East the local M.T. Hong-Kong appears as 0.33.40 p.m. This gives: Ascendant 20 ♉ 8, ☽ 2 ♉ 34, ☉ 11 ♋ 53½, from which, by normal application of the Rule of Hermes the day of conception will be found September 4, 1929. Now this was practically impossible. The parents then were in Holland and the mother was obliged to call in the assistance of a surgeon with regard to her internal condition being such as to prevent pregnancy. She was released from

hospital on or about the 10th of September, so that actually on the 4th of the same month the possibility of pregnancy did not exist. It must have been later. Now the very remarkable fact is that on the 18th we find the Full Moon in  $25^{\circ} 32' \text{ } \text{X} \text{ } \text{M}$ , which falls almost precisely on the Moon's nodes of the mother's nativity:  $25^{\circ} 19' \text{ } \text{X} \text{ } \text{M}$ . I mention this only for information in this case, where the possibility of pregnancy had been doubtful.

It is always held for certain that new moons and full moons count for much in the realisations of personal karma, i.e. of personal directions, and the full moon is certainly the most favourable occasion for a woman to become pregnant. Consequently the pregnancy in this case on the day of full moon, immediately after her treatment for the deficiency, is all that could be expected, at least hoped for. I think we will find ourselves obliged by circumstantial evidence to revise and to complete ancient dogmatisms on the Rule of Hermes—scanty enough at best.

If we take on the same day the moments when either the horizon or the meridian come to the Moon's place at birth, we do not find a sufficient answer. The one next to the noted birth-time is when M.C. =  $2^{\circ} 34' \text{ } \text{M}$ , which gives the Moon in  $18^{\circ} 31' \text{ } \text{X}$ , and which would render the ascendant at birth  $18^{\circ} 31' \text{ } \text{M}$ —a far too wide difference where the time was so carefully noted. If, however, on the same day we take for the descendant the Sun's place at birth—which means being very accurate—i.e.  $11^{\circ} 53\frac{1}{4}' \text{ } \Pi$ , we get a *lunar* as well as a *solar epochal figure*, in which the Moon as usual takes the place of the horizon at birth.

Afterwards the parents confirmed that the date of September 18th was very probable with regard to coition. The place of conception had lat. N.  $52^{\circ} 25'$ , long. E. oh.  $18\frac{1}{4}$ m. and the data came out as September 18, 1929, 1.2.12 p.m. = 0.43.57 p.m. G.M.T.

The accurate figures are:

*Luni-Solar Figure.*

|      |       |            |
|------|-------|------------|
| M.C. | 13.35 | $\cong$    |
| XI.  | 29    | $\cong$    |
| XII. | 15    | $\text{M}$ |
| Asc. | 11.53 | $\uparrow$ |
| II.  | 4     | $\approx$  |
| III. | 21    | $\text{X}$ |

|            |         |            |
|------------|---------|------------|
| $\odot$    | 25.6.20 | $\text{M}$ |
| $\text{D}$ | 19.52   | $\text{X}$ |
|            | etc.    |            |

*Nativity.*

|       |            |                   |
|-------|------------|-------------------|
| 19.56 | $\Pi$      |                   |
| 20    | $\approx$  |                   |
| 20    | $\Omega$   | (Campanus Houses) |
| 19.52 | $\text{M}$ |                   |
| 20    | $\cong$    |                   |
| 20    | $\text{M}$ |                   |

|                    |            |
|--------------------|------------|
| 11.53.14           | $\Pi$      |
| 2.33 $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\text{M}$ |
| etc.               |            |

I am well aware that every case asks an extraordinary objectivity from the computer. I have not tried to comply with any prior wishes or theories, but I am strongly convinced that this is the real Lunar Figure, being *lunar* by the correspondence of the Moon at epoch with the ascendant at birth; and being *solar* by the correspondence

of the natal Sun with the horizon at the same epoch—*both correspondences being accurate each in itself.*

I trust, dear Mr. Carter, this may encourage students. I hope to be able later to offer more results of my investigations.

A. E. THIERENS.

## CASE OF SKIN-DISEASE

CATHAYS PARK,  
CARDIFF.

On page 43 of the current number of *Astrology*, you ask, with reference to horoscope for January 29, 1885, Taunton, "Where could an astrologer see signs so tragic?"

Surely there is abundant evidence. In this natus the Sun, very close on the horizon (if the rectification be correct) suffers affliction from Mercury-Scorpio in the 8th, and from Saturn, in the 4th, heliocentrically; while Mars, only about  $5^{\circ}$  from the Sun, receives double affliction from Uranus, heliocentrically quite close. There is, in fact, a very inharmonious configuration involving altogether Saturn, Uranus, Mercury, Sun, and Mars. I distrust rectifications; but if this one be valid, it can scarcely be said that it "does not very greatly affect the problematic element."

But further, Sampson's prenatal epoch shows Moon-Pisces *within about  $2^{\circ}$  of the nadir*, and within about  $10'$  of arc of the square of Saturn, Mercury-Capricorn, too, attacking; while Mars about  $11^{\circ}$  and  $12\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$  Leo somewhat ruthlessly opposes the Sun, Uranus being closely involved for evil. "A septic condition of the covering of the heart," etc. Is it so difficult to account for these things if the prime astrological factors which Mr. Sampson has made so abundantly clear—his prenatal epoch and the heliocentric planetary places—simply and severely be taken into account?

JOHN M. THORBURN.

## MEDICAL ASTROLOGY

ISLE OF SHEPPEY.

In *Astrology*, December 1932, "Medoc" supplies the chart of a lady suffering with tuberculosis. Later a correspondent endeavours to show reasons for the development of the disease, as "Medoc" fails to find sufficient indications. As the native of the chart, I believe I can throw some further light on the matter.

As suggested by correspondent, there is somewhat sluggish circulation and catarrh of the throat; and there has been shallow breathing. The suggestion as to dietetic indiscretions is, I think, incorrect, as, until the age of 31, when tonsils were operated upon, and after which the skin trouble disappeared, I had to diet always with the most extreme care, in an endeavour to keep the skin-

trouble in check, and also ♀ in ♊ in 8th, ☐ ♃, giving a not over-strong digestion, did not permit of license.

I know it is most difficult to sum up one's own character impartially, but as to the suggestion of moods, I have never been conscious of being moody. Nervy and temperamental, I admit, and there has been tremendous tension, but again it did not arise, as suggested, from the Moon-Mars contact and relations with others. This aspect has to a certain extent worked out through the 5th house, ruled by Mars, as my father and I were very frequently at loggerheads; his estimate of me was, "a wilful hussy." He also had Scorpio rising, and, although the trouble was not often acute, my mother being a very efficient buffer, it was attended with inconveniences at times. Considering the close square between the 8th and 11th, relations with others have been on the whole harmonious. Possibly the Moon in Libra, and the capacity to make people laugh, may have glossed over my more unpleasant characteristics. I do not make numerous friendships, but those I do make are usually lasting.

The crux of the situation has been that I spent 25 years in an occupation for which I was physically and temperamentally wholly unfitted. I was in a large Government office, in a clerical capacity. Mercury, the planet applied to sight, is in 8 27·21, in close proximity to the Pleiades area, detrimental to the eyes, Mercury also closely squares Uranus. There is a weakness of a muscle of one eye, developed when I entered the Service and which it never seemed possible to correct with glasses; my work was of such a character as to test this weakness to the uttermost.

Secondly, fresh air was to me a vital necessity, and office air seemed like breathing mud. ☐ ☐ ♀ worked out here somewhat; there was friction over windows!

Circumstances did not permit of my lightly relinquishing the appointment, so with a restless, careless, change-loving Gemini temperament, interested chiefly in the artistic side of life, five planets in Venus signs (Pluto was also in Taurus), and an ever-present ache for freedom, both lights and Mercury aspecting Uranus, the stage was well set for physical, mental, and emotional strain and tension to an unlimited degree.

I was blessed, or cursed, with a very strong constitution, and a tremendous capacity of endurance, ♄ rising, ☐ △ ☉, but after 25 years, 1922 saw me pensioned. And then, with a little income, and the priceless gift of freedom, the world seemed mine. After about six months I commenced an art training, but by this time, although I did not realise what was the matter with me, T.B. had a firm hold of me, and on June 10, 1924, on my birthday, I entered my first sanatorium, with Venus, a 6th-house planet, stationary on the path of my progressed Sun. I think a very good instance that stationary planets in transit on a significator indicate only such events as have a more or less permanent effect on life of subject.



I feel "Medoc" is correct, for I do not think I should ever have developed T.B. to any extent but for the prolonged strain.

In 1931 the verdict of a T.B. specialist was that he thought the disease was arrested.

"THE NATIVE."

## ASTROLOGICAL CORRESPONDENCE CLUB

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ORPINGTON, KENT.

As some of our Astrological Correspondence Club members owe their introduction to you, I thought a word might not be amiss.

We now number 16—all active, lively members, hailing from various parts of London and the provinces. The letters of appreciation I get occasionally are most gratifying, and several have suggested that our nominal subscription of 1s. be increased. We are paying our way, however, up to the present, so shall not alter it. This year we are trying a new method of handing round general club questions, and may later try a friendly competition. Will keep you posted.

NELLIE I. SHAW.

## PLUTO AND WEATHER

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The following statement appears in an article on Pluto, by Rose E. Rhodes, in Vol. 5, No. 4, of *Astrology*: "Its effect upon the weather, I suggest, will be cold and wet, with snow in winter months." As this is a magazine of a year ago, possibly this remark may already have been disputed.

I have been studying weather predicting by astro-meteorology for nearly four years, and have kept daily records of the weather for two years, from which it would appear that Pluto causes fine sunny weather, and raises the temperature.

Yours truly,  
(MISS) K. C. SARE.

## PLANETARY SIGN-RULERSHIPS

Some time last year you asked for charts which might be of assistance in solving the sign-rulership controversy. It has just occurred to me that I have one to add to the list.

I enclose a copy of my husband's chart,<sup>1</sup> in which you will note that the Moon applies to a trine of Uranus and that this is the only

<sup>1</sup> 95.56, West; 41.16, North; 11.40 p.m., C.S.T.; 11.09 p.m., L.M.T.; October 3, 1890.

real aspect the Moon has. I sent you my chart some time ago, but I have attached it here for your convenience ( $\mathfrak{M}$  rising, satellitium in  $\Omega$ ).

I do hope this will help the good work along and shall be interested to see the other maps which come in. I confess that I cannot see how you can tell from these charts whether the planet rules a sign or is exalted therein, but I am still in the kindergarten.

There are too many "ifs" in Astrology. When something comes up regarding Pluto, I look at most of the charts I have and find Neptune in conjunction with Pluto, which leaves everything in a muddle.

And you should see how good I am at finding the things which do not work. Look at my Sun—applying to a conjunction with Saturn and also parallel—and I got married at a fairly early age—24—and have managed to stay married so far!<sup>1</sup>

Also I was raised in the same town with a girl who was born the same day I was and she is married and has two children, who are now in high school. I do not know the time of her birth, but it would have been impossible for her to escape the Sun applying to conjunction Saturn.

You have said that you do not care much for the "higher octave" theory, and you may be right—I haven't any idea as to the correctness or otherwise of the theory—but if Uranus is the higher octave of Mercury and Neptune of Venus, then it would seem logical to assume, for test purposes, that Pluto would be the higher octave of the Moon. The Moon, in so far as this earth is considered, must take the place of the earth as a reflector of the Sun's rays. To have an orderly arrangement, the new planet should then be connected with the Moon.

Maybe they do not do it, but I like to have things come out in an orderly manner—not skip around here and there.

Please tell me, in the pages of the magazine, what other data we can send that will help straighten things out.

MARGARET PALENSKY.

### PLUTO'S RULERSHIP

The conditions of the world at the times of the discoveries of Uranus and Neptune seem to have been marked by their appropriate planetary influence. The discovery of Uranus coincided with many progressive incidents, including the use of steam, which developed the industrial age; Neptune's discovery coinciding with the growth of all occult and mystical connections.

The discovery of Pluto in 1930 coincided with the world financial upheaval and since its square to Uranus, Cancer to Aries, matters have come to a head. At the end of the present year Uranus squares

<sup>1</sup> 95.45, West; 41.40, North; 0.36 p.m., L.M.T.; August 12, 1889.

Pluto again. In view of this it would seem that Pluto may rule Taurus. The Greek myth of Pluto going down into the bowels of the earth (Taurus—fixed earthy sign) rather bears out this point.

We have examined many maps making Pluto rule Taurus with fruitful results.

C. and N. I. SHAW.

## BOOK REVIEWS

*The Soul and the Stars*, by A. G. TRENT. Issued by the International Publishing Co., 39, Imperial Buildings, Ludgate Circus, London, E.C.4. Price 1s. 1d. post free.

This blue-bound booklet of 28 pages attempts to elucidate the problem of the association of spiritual entities with human bodies, linking the doctrine of heredity with the astral tenets of Astrology, and showing how they complete each other. Certain positions are given from many maps covering the range of genius, mysticism, insanity, eccentricity with greatness, poetry, etc., and will be of interest to advanced astrologers as well as of use in convincing the sceptic.

*More Notable Nativities*, compiled by MAURICE WEMYSS, and obtainable from L. N. Fowler & Co., 7, Imperial Arcade, E.C.4, at 1s. 1d. post free.

This is a tastefully printed booklet, with very clear and distinct type, presenting to us the data of another 200 notable persons along the lines of the original 1,001. Whilst it is a pity, in a sense, that about one-third of the positions given are for noon only (time of day being unknown), yet it is informative to have even the noon positions, in the cases of such famous personages as Thomas à Beckett, Galileo, Machiavelli, Rembrandt, Virgil, Tiberius, Christina Rossetti, Lenin, John Wesley, J. H. Thomas, Darwin, and so on.

The 124 full horoscopes include many well-known names, amongst them Jack London, Émile Coué, Conan Doyle, Count Zeppelin, Nietzsche, Edith Cavell, Viscount Snowden, Barrie, Emerson, Vale Owen, Marconi, and even "Good King Wenceslas"!

There is also a list of the official dates of changes in the calendar in times past which will be helpful to the advanced student.

Remember that the purchase of a copy by many readers will tempt the compiler to issue a further series of these useful nativities!

*My Heavens*, by MICHAEL MARCH. Published by Putnams.

This book is intended for amusement at parties, etc., and, if the author had kept simply to his idea of describing the sign position of the Sun at birth, the book could be commended, but he does a

disservice to true Astrology by giving the uninitiated a wrong impression. To suggest that everyone born between March 1st to 19th at any time of day, in any place, in any century, has Sun in Pisces in the 10th house, Cancer rising, Virgo on the 4th cusp, and Gemini on the 12th, or that everyone born similarly right through April has Sun on the 10th with Leo rising, is misleading. The book should really be withdrawn and rewritten, either without reference to the houses, or with a more extended table showing the approximate position of the Sun by house at different hours of the day, from which the signs could follow in rough approximation on the houses.

ALEXANDER SIM.

*Les Astres Parlent*, by A VOLGUINE. Published by Les Cahiers Astrologiques, 12, rue Clement-Roassel, Nice. Price not stated.

This book is chiefly devoted to warning us against the danger of war in 1937. Many interesting facts are adduced, but the main index is the opposition at that time of Saturn and Neptune. We are told that the German Headquarters in the late war employed Astrology, and were by its means able to launch their attacks in fine weather, whereas the French attacks were equally unlucky in that respect. It is also stated that the ex-Kaiser has become a fervent student of Astrology, as was the younger von Moltke, sometime Chief of the Imperial Staff. It would have been more to the purpose if they had learnt in time from Astrology that they would lose the war if they embarked upon it. The author includes the asteroid Ceres in his data, and gives his opinion that it rules Virgo and is of the nature of Jupiter, but steadier and more material. It is a thousand pities that no convenient ephemeris of the four largest asteroids is available for English students; if there are any passable imitations of Jupiter about, we might as well know of them. And, flippancy apart, it is easy to believe that these bodies have an appreciable astrological value.

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C. C.

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