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EDITORIAL

The End of the Quarterly

I am afraid that, unless something unforeseen arises, *Astrology* will have to cease publication with the close of the present volume—appropriately enough the twelfth. It has long been evident to me that I could not continue indefinitely to produce the magazine almost single-handed. The work has been, for the most part, a real pleasure and has led to my forming many associations that I greatly value, but in this world all things must come to their end. The end, in this case, seems likely to be precipitated by insufficiency of funds. Why a sudden collapse of subscribers should take place precisely now, after twelve years of reasonable solvency, I know not; but, either because the magazine is too “stiff” for the majority, or because of the weight of taxation and other expenses, or perhaps just because of what we conveniently—and rather vaguely—style “bad aspects,” a great many of our supporters have fallen away.

I shall of course refer to this matter at greater length in the December issue, and it is just possible that a “way out” may be found. So far as I am personally concerned, however, I have determined that the time for a change has arrived.

Critics

Criticism of the articles we publish is always welcome and is, up to a point, helpful; but the fact remains that tastes differ very much. For example, Miss Matthews expresses, on page 126 of this issue, her dislike of articles on the biochemic remedies, but it is an undoubted fact that many like such things, and the papers now appearing do so because of the requests which I

constantly received for earlier issues dealing with the same topic. Again, some like statistical articles, some do not; some like the theosophic tinge, others do not.

Political

The transit of Uranus over the conjunction of Venus and Mars in Hitler's horoscope seems to have coincided with the unquestioned check which his policy received in Czechoslovakia, where it is reasonable to suppose he would have liked to have acted as he did towards Austria. It is often held that the successive transits of a planet that forms an aspect, then retrogrades, and then forms it for a third time when finally direct, gather strength, so that the last is the most powerful. We must, therefore, continue to watch these phenomena in the Fuehrer's map with interest. The position is highly critical.

The eclipse on Mussolini's Saturn is reflected in serious economic difficulties.

Recovery in the United States

If the horoscope erected for May 17, 1792, and commonly regarded as the natus of the New York Stock Exchange, is, in fact, valid, then the Sun is coming to the conjunction of Jupiter radical, after which it passes to the opposition of Saturn and conjunction of Neptune. We seem to have here the clear indices of a great boom and a tragic slump, which will lead on to the very unhappy conditions denoted by Saturn and Uranus in transit through Gemini. Such conditions remind me of the words of a Geminian poet:

Red ruin, and the breaking up of laws,
The craft of kindred.

Whether we shall also see

The godless host of heathen

I do not know, but I see no astrological reason for advising anyone to emigrate to the States in the next few years. Further, if the rise in securities on the New York Exchange continues, as seems likely, it may afford a happy means of withdrawing from the impact of what threaten to be troublesome times indeed.

The principal effect to date of Saturn in Aries upon Great Britain is undoubtedly the strain of taxation. Fortunately it will not be long before Jupiter comes to our aid.

Attacks on Astrology

Since our last issue there have been some rather notable onslaughts on astrology in the Press, an ex Astronomer-Royal, and also, I believe, the present holder of that office, taking part.

Such assaults deserve some sympathy in so far as they are directed against the bogus astrology that we all know so well; but unfortunately the writers seldom, if ever, trouble to discriminate between this and the true study of the inner meanings of the heavenly bodies. When, for example, such a serious function as the recent Harrogate Convention was brought in as an instance of the folly, if not the iniquity, of the astrologers, one is entitled to protest that the writer, however eminent in his own field, is, in this matter, in a state of profound error.

Few of those who attack astrology fail to disclose, to a real student, their ignorance of the subject, even in the first few lines they write. It is indeed altogether unfortunate that so many people think that the astronomer is the true judge of astrology. It is a fact that we all study the stars, but we do so from quite distinct points of view. The dog-dealer studies dogs, and so too does the eminent painter of these animals, but neither can judge the dog from the standpoint of the other. We do not want to tell the astronomer the truth about his subject and he should in fairness abstain from pontificating at the expense of ours.

From the standpoint of science it is obvious that the heavenly bodies and man have *some* mutual relationships; indeed, this is obvious to anyone who is not imbecile. The question is, what is their nature, and how intimate are they? We all agree that most of us feel hotter, in the northern hemisphere, when the sun is in Leo than when it is in Aquarius; but when the astrologer goes farther and says that persons born with the former position also have, allowing for the operation in individual cases of other relative horoscopic conditions, warmer dispositions than the latter, then the astronomers say that he is talking utter rubbish, unworthy of anyone born later than say, 1650 or thereabouts!

Now the astrologer is under this disadvantage, when it comes to proof, that the temperature of the atmosphere can be measured, but the warmth of people's dispositions cannot be, since it is, of course, of a figurative nature only.

Actually there are but two ways of appreciating the truth of astrology. One is a very long and arduous path—that of philosophy; the other is, for the majority, neither long nor arduous—that of practical experience.

If astronomers will pursue neither the one path nor the other, then they are not competent to judge of the matter and their lucubrations are best treated with contempt, except indeed that, for the sake of those whom their words may mislead, it may be right to reply in the Press, supposing one is allowed to do so.

Our task, as it seems to me, is not so much to engage in fruitless discussions with people who do not understand the subject in dispute, but to work steadily at the improvement of our methods and the enlargement of our knowledge until we shall be able to produce, time and again, such striking results that the sceptic will simply stamp himself, not only in our eyes but in those of the world, as one wilfully and stubbornly blind to facts that will be almost universally accepted. We may truthfully say that a great deal has already been done in this direction. The chief practical obstacle to the achievement of such results is the perpetual doubt and difficulty that arises from uncertain birth-data; hence it is probable that the best fields for work of this kind are those in which this problem does not appear, as, for example, in mundane astrology.

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7.30 „ Address of Welcome by the President.

- 7.45 p.m. "Regional Activities." Mrs. A. SUDBURY HURREN.
8.0 ,, "Astrology as a Psychological Science."
9.15 ,, Discussion on "Astrology of To-day."

Speakers: Mr. G. H. BAILEY and Mr. W. FRANKLAND.

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Saturday, September 24th

- 11.0 a.m. "Pluto." Mr. CYRIL FAGAN.
3.0 p.m. "Medical Astrology."
4.15 ,, Discussion—Leader: Mrs. G. BARRACLOUGH.

Chairman: Mrs. ALLEN CHUBB.

- 5.0 ,, Tea and Social Gathering.
7.0 ,, National Astrology—"Czechoslovakia." Miss ESTELLE GARDNER.

Chairman: Miss G. FRANCIS.

- 8.30 ,, "The Twentieth-Century Chart." Mr. ALEXANDER RUPERTI.

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- 11.0 a.m. "Interpretation of Star Courses." Mr. CYRIL FAGAN.

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- 3.0 p.m. "Neptune." Mrs. DOROTHY RYAN.
4.15 ,, Discussion. Leader: Mrs. PARKES.

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COMPETITION

(See page 44, June 1938)

A GOOD number of attempts have come to hand, and the results have, in almost all cases, been fairly near the mark.

The facts are as given below:—

A. Born 8 p.m., October 4, 1895, 51 N. 23, 2 W. 22. Internal haemorrhage from duodenal ulcer occurred in the afternoon of 15.6.1936—collapsed on way home at about 6 p.m. Returned to work on 27.8.36. He was out with heart trouble early December 1935, but that might have been unsuspected haemorrhage.

B. Born 9.45 p.m., September 14, 1904, 51 N. 22, 2 W. 8. Collapsed through internal haemorrhage on August 6, 1933, at Budapest. Recurrence January 13, 1938, about 8.40 a.m. Specialist has located an ulcer about 5 in. below outlet from stomach (in duodenum, presumably), and hopes to cure it by injections.

The prize goes, without any hesitation, to Mr. W. G. Gilby, whose solution is printed below verbatim.

Most of the others diagnosed bowel trouble, and appendicitis was specified in several instances.

The Winning Solution.

The collapse in each case was due to a gastric ulcer.

Case 1.

The satellitium of the afternoon of June 15, 1936, fell in ∞ . This is in 4th from the Natal moon. This planet being in 12th, the 6th is the 5th house, ruler \odot in $11 \simeq 21$. The stimulating factor was the eclipse (solar) in $27 \text{ } \Pi 44$, which couples with the natal ascendant to produce a sensitive point in $11 \infty \square$ natal \odot .

Case 2.

First collapse, 6.8.33.

This was stimulated by a full moon in 12∞ . This is in 4th to the natal Moon in 7th. The ruler of 12th (being 6th from \rangle) is ♀ in $10 \simeq 17$.

Second attack.

This followed a lunation in $10 \text{ } \text{♊} 44$ which squares the radical Venus, while this point is also the mid-point of Mars-Moon.

The ascendant of the lunation couples closely with the meridian of the natal map.

The map for the actual time of the attack shows \rangle in $11 \text{ } \Pi 21$ in 4th, thus pointing to the seat of the trouble.

Further, 7° or 8° is the ∞ dwadasamsa, which rises in the timed map and is also prominent in the others.

NOTE.— 11° of \rangle in horary map suggests heart was affected by stoppage of blood from stomach trouble.

W. G. GILBY.

NATIONAL ASTROLOGY

By ESTELLE GARDNER

IN writing these articles on national astrology I notice a perverse tendency for the chief happenings of the quarter under consideration to occur in countries the maps of which I have not looked at!

It was therefore quite in order that, not having mentioned Palestine in June, July should produce the worst outbreak of terrorism in that country for some months, coinciding with a direction of p. Moon opposition r. Uranus from 6th to 12th houses of Palestine's radical map (December 11, 1917, noon, Jerusalem, local time). The New Moon of June 27th fell on the r. Pluto, which is placed in the 4th in opposition to Mercury, ruler of 7th, placed in 10th, and the direction was excited into action by the passage of Venus, ruler of 8th, over the p. Moon during the week-end of July 2nd.

This in itself would hardly have been sufficient to produce such violent results. But there are two inharmonious major transits operating at present. Neptune, ruler of the ascendant, is squaring the r. Sun from the 7th, and conjunct r. Mars; and, since Neptune is in the 6th of the radix (the people), and the Sun rules the 6th and is placed in the 10th, we find discontent among the population with the ruling principle of the country. Together with this, Uranus is squaring the 6th-12th house opposition of Saturn to Uranus, which is a feature of the radix, and will continue to do so throughout this year and next, being liable to cause trouble whenever inharmoniously excited.

The 12th-house Uranus of the radix I take to represent the Arabs, and the 6th-house Saturn the Jews; my reasons for so doing I gave in a former article. Since Saturn is at present transiting in trine to the M.C., and is, moreover, conjunct the progressed ascendant of Aries 17, the Jews are at present in the more powerful position. But the Arab opposition to the proposed partition of the country and the continuation of Jewish immigration is implacable and likely to remain so.

It is difficult to see how any satisfactory solution can be arrived at as long as the Uranian influence afflicts so strongly, and when it finally clears away both Jupiter and Saturn in Taurus will begin to affect the opposition in their turn. I am inclined to think that the final solution of the problem will come about through Pluto, which, angular in the radix and therefore powerful, will transit in opposition to the ruler of the 8th in two to three years' time. But in what manner the crisis bringing this final solution will come about I am not prepared to say; Pluto is still much of an unknown quantity.

Regarding our own country, we find that the aspect of Sun applying to the trine of Jupiter from 11th to 2nd houses, which was such a pleasant feature of the map for the Cancer Ingress, was not long in bringing the friendly agreement with a foreign country which it promised (Jupiter ruling 7th), for, soon after the Ingress, the financial agreement with Germany was arrived

at, with consequent improvement of sentiment on the Stock Exchange.

Discussions with the United States over the proposed commercial agreement have also been proceeding all through July, but apparently no agreement has yet been reached.

The map for the Libra Ingress (September 23, 5 p.m., at London), while not as favourable as the Ingress of June, has some interesting features, the chief of which is a concentration of planets in the 7th, four of them in Virgo, two applying to the trine of Uranus in the 2nd, and the Sun and Moon applying to a sextile of Pluto in the 6th. Foreign affairs will still occupy much of our attention, and Mars in the 7th may bring alarms and excursions once more, possibly again with reference to Palestine, since Jerusalem is ruled by Virgo.

Rather unusual financial conditions may be experienced during the quarter, with possibly a temporary boom on the Stock Exchange. Since the degrees of Leo-Aquarius 1 are said in the *Wheel of Life* to be connected with gold, it would not be surprising if the precious metal were affected in some way by Pluto's presence in Leo 1; whether this will be by boom or slump is difficult to decide, since we have as yet no experience of Pluto's action in this connection, but, since Pluto is unafflicted in the Ingress map, it seems more likely to be the former.

The application of both luminaries, which rule the 6th house in the map, to a sextile of Pluto in the 6th, will bring changes in the consciousness of the people as a whole, and new ideas will gain ground; but Saturn rising in the 1st house in Aries is none too good for the general condition of the country.

The autumn quarter is going to be difficult for the Government (first formation of National Government, August 24, 1931, 4 p.m., G.M.T., London), which faces a series of bad directions, beginning with p. Moon opposition r. Mars at the time of writing (from 3rd to 9th houses, and evidently connected with the Palestine situation), going on to Moon square the 1st house Saturn in September, conjunct the 3rd house Uranus in November and square r. Moon and r. Pluto in January. The eclipse of November 22nd (0.5 a.m., at London) will fall square the Government's r. Sun, and since it will be near cusp of 4th at London the Government may lose prestige. The map for the eclipse brings the 7th house Mars of the Libra Ingress map directly on to the ascendant, and, as Virgo-Pisces 10 will be on 1st and 7th angles, this may once more link up with Palestine, since it reverses the 1st-7th angles of the Palestine chart, which are Pisces-Virgo 14. The differences in

Parliament over foreign policy will be as sharp as ever during the quarter, for the New Moon of October 23rd falls in the 11th, in square to Pluto in the 9th, and the eclipse figure also gives a separating opposition of Mars to Saturn from 2nd to 8th house, which looks rather like some regrettable loss of life.

The second and third weeks in October, more particularly the week-end of the 7th, and the second half of November, seem as though they might be particularly critical.

Turning from Empire problems to the Far East, where the war in China is still in progress, we can see plainly in the map of the Japanese Constitution (February 11, 1889, 10.30 a.m. Standard Time, Tokyo) how it is that Japan has been able to penetrate so far into China. This year the p. Moon is conjunct the 4th house Saturn, in Leo 16, by one-degree measure, and Saturn by transit is exciting this direction favourably from Aries, ruling sign of Japan. As I have pointed out in previous articles, Saturn, being ruler of the 9th, exercises much power over Japan's destiny with regard to foreign affairs, and particularly in connection with territorial acquisitions. Since Uranus, which rules the 1. 10th, is squaring this direction by transit from the 12th, various difficulties have been experienced in the advance, which is not proceeding quite as quickly as it was planned to do. I have not been able to find any very striking astrological indications of the floods of June and July, the effects of which were possibly exaggerated by the newspapers. Mars transiting in Cancer in the 3rd house, square the ruler, was apparently the significator, and it was also afflicting by transit in the Emperor's map.

In January next the conditions will be exceptionally favourable to Japan, unless China's unknown chart should strongly contradict this, for the p. Moon will reach the trine of *radical* Jupiter, the *progressed* Jupiter being now in the 9th house. At the same time Saturn by transit will again excite the Moon-Saturn direction favourably, and Uranus will have receded. Having regard to all these factors, a settlement, at any rate temporarily, would not have seemed impossible at that time had not the Japanese War Minister announced recently that the country must prepare for ten years of hostilities.

The eclipse figure of November 22nd seems especially interesting at Moscow, where the 12th-house cusp of the radical map of the U.S.S.R. (October 27th-November 9, 1917, 5.15 a.m., Petrograd), will be rising, with Mars in the 1st house, and Uranus in the 8th. Having regard to the critical nature of the Uranian transit at present working in the radix, this combination looks as though affairs hitherto hidden or secret might

come to light. Neptune will be found in the 12th house, and Pluto in the 10th, while Jupiter will be near Uranus in the radix. Taken as a whole these signs look rather as if some change in the Russian system were maturing.

As I hope to try to deal with the question of Czechoslovakia at some length in December I will not say much about it this quarter, except to give some idea of the main direction and transits at present in force in the map for that country which I mentioned in the last Quarterly (October 28, 1918, 6 p.m., G.M.T., Prague). Just at present the Sun is in square to Uranus (Sun is in 6th, house of the masses, afflicting ruler of 10th; discontent among the people with the ruling principle). The New Moon of July 27th fell in square to the radical Sun, while at the same time the p. Moon (always part ruler of the people in a national chart) is opposing Mercury, ruler of the ascendant, from the 12th. Therefore the month of August will be somewhat critical, and there will be much talk and negotiation concerning the minority question (Moon part ruler of 3rd and Mercury natural ruler of 3rd). But Mars is not afflicted in the directions, either by secondary or by one-degree measure, and by one-degree measure Uranus is just coming up to the trine of Jupiter, ruler of 7th, and the transiting Jupiter will fall stationary over the r. Uranus in October. Hitler has made it very clear that he wishes the question to be settled by peaceful methods, and, although the forces which threaten the new Germany and would welcome a European war in order to crush her (Uranus afflicted in 12th house of the radix for the Third Reich, January 30th, 10 a.m., G.M.T., Berlin) will do their utmost to provoke trouble (transiting Uranus stationary on the ascendant of the map during the summer months), I think that all the astrological signs point to a settlement of the Czechoslovak question, which will be somewhat unsatisfactory, but will probably last for about two years, when another group of directions will come into play.

It has to be remembered that the German minority of three-and-a-half millions is not the only one which has to be considered, since there are also some two million Slovaks, by no means unanimously pro-Czech, and roughly one million Hungarians, half a million Ruthenes, and a large number of Poles, in the exceedingly artificial state which is Czechoslovakia, the Czechs themselves numbering about six and a half million.

Hitler himself is probably suffering acute nervous tension and worry this summer, in which the question of the Sudeten Germans must undoubtedly play a part. For Uranus is stationary over his Mars-Venus conjunction, and square his 10th-house

Saturn. But since his directions are good (Sun trine Uranus and Moon trine Moon and Jupiter by one-degree measure), he has protective influences. The eclipse falls in the 3rd house at Berlin, in trine to Pluto in the 11th, and some friendly agreement with a foreign country may be signed during the quarter. This also applies to our own country, where the house-position will be the same. Possibly, since Pluto will then be well into Leo, Italy may turn out to be the country concerned, and in the case of England it might then herald the putting into force of the Anglo-Italian agreement. The Mars-Saturn opposition of the eclipse map falls still nearer the 2nd-8th house cusps at Berlin than it does at London and might possibly indicate some accident connected with transport, since Mars rules the 3rd.

Altogether the quarterly maps seem to me somewhat obscure and difficult to read. But apart from the generally depressing effect of Saturn in Aries on our own internal situation, they do not seem to be critical in nature, as far as Western and Central Europe are concerned.

Written July 28, 1938.

THE BIOCHEMIC REMEDIES AND ASTROLOGY

By THE EDITOR

[In view of the constant demand for back numbers of *Astrology* containing articles on this subject, these have become exhausted, and I am therefore publishing a further paper, being more than ever convinced of the utility of this system].

Second Instalment

IN this issue we will discuss the three first salts, which are all limes and have certain features in common, and also No. 4.

I. *Calcium fluoride or calcarea fluorica.*

This remedy is placed under the sign *Cancer*. It works with albumen to create connective and elastic fibre, so that a deficiency of its action causes looseness and a relaxed condition, from which can arise dilated states. On the other hand, and so to speak by polarity, it is indicated whenever *hard* growths appear.

It controls the substance that covers the teeth and other bones.

Typical states are varicose veins, prolapsus of the uterus (or any other organ subject to prolapsus), hardened glands, and piles.

It is often (as might be expected) required when the stomach is lacking in tone and is distended through lack of muscular firmness.

A lady with the Moon in Pisces squared by Neptune (which is very indicative of laxity of tissue) suffered from prolapsus and piles and was assisted greatly by this valuable salt, which often has an immediate bracing effect. But, as a rule, a fairly long treatment would be advisable.

Having the planet Saturn afflicted in Cancer, I have used it myself with considerable benefit.

Though placed by Dr. Carey under Cancer, I think that it ought always to be considered when the laxative planet Neptune (and its allied sign Pisces) may be afflicted. An irritant sore on the foot, probably eczematic, was relieved by calc. fluor. in a remarkable manner (Mars afflicted in Pisces). In this case the pendulum was used for diagnosis, but the indurated skin might have been taken as an index.

There is a noteworthy mental value to this salt, for it braces the brain as well as the bodily tissues and is often needed when there is a proneness to worry, especially about money. This tallies very well with the Cancer attribution, for Cancerians are often much concerned about the future and the possibilities of poverty. The lady mentioned above had this mental diathesis very clearly marked.

2. *Calcium phosphate or calcarea phosphorica.*

This is, par excellence, the tonic of the twelve remedies and is invaluable in this respect. It should be taken for several days before a definite effect is to be expected; after that continue at discretion. It is to be used when things seem too much for one, when the "kick" seems gone out of life, and one cannot stand up to one's duties and tasks.

It may with advantage be combined with ferr. phos. or kali phos.—in fact all the phosphates go well together.

It utilizes albumen to build up the bones, and all bone complaints (including teething) call for it. Thus it is the primary Saturnian remedy and is attributed to *Capricorn* with very little likelihood of error. Those who need it usually (like true Saturnians) need rest, warmth and nourishing food. It is important in digestive troubles and I should prescribe it when food is eaten in quantity but seems not to be assimilated, so that the patient remains weak and thin.

It should always be remembered in convalescence, and, of course, when bones are fractured, weak, or deformed.

All three calcareas dislike wet and damp and are the better for dryness and warmth.

The typical calc. fluor. individual is flabby and relaxed, whereas calc. phos. is more often dried up and wizened.

3. *Calcium sulphate or calcarea sulphurica.*

This remedy is not one of those most often used, and, indeed, Schuessler finally discarded it, stating that silicea was generally more effective. Dr. Chapman, in his valuable work, says that silicea hastens the suppurative process whilst calc. sulph. closes up the process when the right time comes.

It is placed under *Scorpio* and personally I cannot but think that it will often be found useful whenever suppuration occurs, in order to bring the discharge to a close. Thick, heavy, yellow matter is an indication. I have found it beneficial as a general blood-cleanser and as a tonic when the blood-stream requires attention. It is concerned with the destruction and excretion of useless blood-corpuscles in the liver; hence, when it is deficient in action, this waste matter accumulates in the blood and eruptions and other excretory disorders (such as catarrh) make their appearance.

We come now to one of the most valuable of the remedies, one that is worth its weight in gold and would alone justify the whole biochemic system. This is

4. *Phosphate of iron or ferrum phosphoricum.*

This remedy is attributed to the sign Pisces but is also obviously closely related to the planet Mars.

It is the great remedy for all inflammatory conditions whatsoever. Unlike the calciums, it is always indicated by heat, and its patients are usually benefited by cold.

It strengthens the tissues throughout the body, and, by assisting oxidation, purifies the blood and fortifies the entire system.

It should be taken in all cases of cuts, sprains, and bruises, but there are, in point of fact, few sickly people who do not require it, if not as a primary remedy, at least in combination with others.

It should be taken *early*, at the first onset of febrile symptoms.

Though its first action is on the blood and muscles, it will refresh the whole system and many states of mental disorder are said to have been alleviated by it.

It should never be omitted when Mars is an afflictor. A friend

of the writer, who has Mars square the Sun and suffered from low fevers, found this remedy an immediate alleviant, and since taking it has never had a recurrence of the complaint.

It is characteristic of these cell-salts that they often produce a complete and permanent cure, though of course this cannot always be promised. But it would seem that frequently the body is, so to speak, only a little behindhand in its functions, and yet cannot, unaided, catch up and regain health; once, however, the extra help of the remedies is given, years may pass without any need for further assistance. Having a satellitium in Aquarius my first experiment was with the appropriate remedy, nat. mur., but it is now years since there has been any call for a fresh treatment; the relative symptoms have never recurred.

Ferr. phos. must of course be considered in such maladies as influenza and the common cold, as well as calc. phos., but to the biochemist names of diseases are merely labels, and often rather misleading ones, so that it is really more scientific to talk of a "ferr. phos. condition" and so on, than a "fever" or a "cold" or a "feverish cold." Some colds call for nat. mur. rather than ferrum, and influenza, at least in the form from which I used to suffer direly, is more amenable to nat. sulph., for reasons which we will discuss in due course.

It must be noted that it is often necessary to change the remedies several times during a treatment, as the symptoms vary, until complete victory is achieved. From the astrologic point of view most diseases are due to a complex of planetary and sign-conditions, each of which may need attention.

(To be continued)

THE 12TH HOUSE

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If astrologers were superstitious—of course they are not—they would probably cross themselves, or make the sign of Jupiter or of Venus, whenever they mention the 12th house. For it seems that this sector of the heavens is in some way associated with nearly all the real sorrow and tragedy that human beings endure. The Greeks called it *Kakodaemon*, the Evil Spirit, or Evil Genius, whereas the 11th was the Good Angel, or Spirit of Light. It is related to imprisonment, banishment, confinement

in hospitals or to one's bed, and also to the spiritual counterparts of these things, such as moral betrayal, mental limitations, and so forth, according to the planets concerned. When it is well configured it causes such circumstances to be overcome, or it brings some sort of profit or pleasure through them, as, for example, the native may be successful as a nurse, or as the head of an asylum or institution; and yet, even so, it is probable that there will be a great deal of contact with the sadder sides of life and with poor or afflicted persons. The inner life will in all probability be very active. If there are also many bodies in cardinal signs or on the angles the native may come much more before the public, but yet the interior life will be very important, even though others may not realize this, and there may be secret sorrows and a "thorn in the flesh," such as St. Paul endured. The best and happiest manifestation of the sign Pisces and the 12th house is probably seen in the recluse, whether it be an artist, a scientist, a writer, or a religious devotee, who prefers, and is able to pursue, a tranquil life of retirement from the world.

The most tragic aspect of the 12th is probably seen where the rest of the natus is such that the person in question desires to live in the world and perhaps to take a prominent part in its affairs, and yet is held back and hindered by a strong 12th-house influence, which may enmesh him in many ways.

We cannot consider the 12th house apart from its natural rulers, Jupiter and Neptune, and, of course, its accidental ruler in each horoscope, and we must also, of course, take the related sign, Pisces, into account. Indeed, on the whole I think Pisces is more potent than the 12th house. When we get both the house and the sign prominent, then we have, of course, a very marked diathesis. Then, indeed, sorrow, the sorrow of limitation, frustration, and bereavement, will figure largely in the life.

We are rather apt, I think, to ascribe our sorrows to the so-called "bad aspects." This is a mistake. Aspects of stress, as I prefer to call them, do often cause unpleasant conditions and events, such as illness, accidents, and psychological tensions. But such things are not incompatible with a happy life; they may ruffle the surface of the lake, but the waters may still remain clear. Mishaps are not the same as tragedies. The truly tragic and sad life is more a matter of the 12th sign and its cognates, in my opinion, than of tense aspects. It is Neptune and its relations that "get us down."

Alan Leo, who should have known, called this house that of "self-undoing." This rather poetical expression means, I presume, that it is the house which shows the extent to which we

shall cause our own sorrows. According to *The Light of Asia*, "each man his prison makes," and if the doctrine of *karma* is strictly true, then all undoing is ultimately self-undoing, so that the affix "self-" has no real meaning. But in a less strict sense perhaps Alan Leo meant that the 12th house shows those sorrows which are specially and obviously self-caused. Such a view would rectify his philosophy, but I doubt if it would square with practical astrology. I question very much if the sorrows denoted by the 12th house are those that are obviously self-caused, and I would rather say that it is the 6th house (which the Greeks called *Kakotyche*, or Evil Fortune) that has to do more particularly with our special, personal sorrows. Indeed all of the first six houses have the more restricted significance, and the last six have invariably a wider scope. I would not say *universal* scope, but an *outgoing*, an *associative* scope. As, for instance, the 1st is the self *per se* but the 7th the self in its association with other individuals; the 5th is one's children, the 11th one's friends, and so on. The 6th is our *own* diseases, the 12th more often indicates the sorrow caused to us by the sickness or wrong-doing of others. As a case in point, I can cite a man with his ruler Mercury conjoined with Mars and Uranus, the ruler being in Virgo, but Mars and Uranus in Leo, and all in the 12th; he has had unusually good health himself, having lived for sixty years almost without ailments even of a minor order. But he has had a great deal of worry and expense with the illnesses of his wife and children. So I should say that, on the whole and as far as it is possible to isolate one house from the rest of the figure, the 12th is concerned with sorrows arising from our relations with others.

It seems to me that those born with strong 12th-house indications are brought up against problems of sin, pain, and suffering in some form or other. Some of you may recall a little fantasy that G. K. Chesterton wrote many years ago, called *The Man That Was Thursday*. This deals with the question as to why the just must suffer as much as, or even more than, the unjust. Thought I, Chesterton must have had a strong 12th-house strain. So I looked at his map, drawn for London, 6 p.m., May 29, 1874, and sure enough the Part of Fortune is in very close conjunction with Neptune in the 6th.

If there is to be suffering at all, it is clear that the righteous must have the same share as the unrighteous, otherwise their enemies would always be able to assert that their goodness was not disinterested; indeed, if it were not so, disinterested virtue would be impossible. In the very nature of things, goodness must be its own reward, at any rate in this world, and even the

certainly of reward hereafter would not do! As men now are, it seems that we may allow ourselves faith and hope, but not certainty, at any rate as the world calls certainty.

As to why there should be any sin or suffering at all, that is a rather more difficult question, I think; but it is obvious that many virtues, such as patience with others' perversity and with one's own tribulations, courage and endurance would not be able to manifest at all in a perfect world. In fact there would not only be no disinterested virtue, but no virtue at all!

Certainly we see that the virtues that we connect with the 12th house are those that flow from sorrow. Thus we find that those who manifest the better side of the 12th-house diathesis are sympathetic, helpful, kind, and forbearing; they are not only full of good works, but they have true *understanding* of sorrow. Just as the true Leo loves, so they sympathise and really *enter into* the sufferings of others. Those who manifest the best side of Leo and of Pisces are true servers of mankind. Leo by itself may be rather patronising and apt to help others *de haut en bas*, as the French say—there is a measure of condescension in his attitude. Pisces by itself may tend to sympathise in rather too thorough a manner, descending to the level of the sufferer and staying there with him, instead of seeking to lift him upward and re-animate him with fresh strength. The combination of the two may be very beautiful indeed. Alan Leo does not speak well of the polarity Sun-Leo, Moon-Pisces, and appears to think that it is too negative; nevertheless he allows that it may be very kind, charitable, and generous, and may also benefit from these qualities in others. To me it seems a *kind* combination; and the poet has said that the art of being kind is badly needed by the world. But such a person would be very sensitive in respect of the affections and would be easily hurt. If one would love mankind, one must not expect too much of them.

Let us now examine some cases wherein the 12th-house diathesis is present. In doing so I shall try to avoid the tangle of house-division problems by taking examples wherein the bodies in question would be in the 12th by any recognised system. Campanus always tends to enlarge the houses that lie along the horizon—the 1st, 6th, 7th, and 12th—at the expense of those that lie beside the meridian—the 3rd, 4th, 9th, and 10th—to an extent that, even in these latitudes, may seem almost grotesque.

Of course even the adherents of the Placidian system have been rather put to it to decide how far the 1st house extends above the horizon, and it does seem as if there is an area that

can scarcely be called either 1st- or 12th-house ground, a sort of no-man's-land. Speaking as one who has an important planet in this ambiguous territory, I would say that a body probably loses the 1st-house strength very rapidly after rising, and may be considered as well and truly—or ill and truly—immersed in the dungeon of the 12th after it has risen about five degrees.

Whether we ought to consider latitude in this matter is another question; I do not know the answer and won't pretend that I do. We have quite enough astrologers who habitually confuse what they *think* with what they *know*. Let us have a few people honest enough to confess their ignorance.

Before we start, we might just pause to talk of one other point, and that is, why is the 12th house weak at all, seeing that the newly risen planet, Sun or Moon, ought, one would suppose, to be very strong? Indeed, as the houses have to do with the axial rotation of the earth, and not with its ecliptical movement round the sun, why should not the 12th house be called the 1st, and interpreted as such? It seems that this cannot successfully be done, and we must assume that the correspondence with the zodiacal signs gains the day, as it were. Nevertheless it would not surprise me if a close investigation were to disclose a sub-value of Aries in the 12th house, of Taurus in the 11th, and so on. Certainly the 12th is not altogether a gloomy house, and if bodies are strong in it, initial obscurity will often give way, as the bodies rise towards the zenith, to celebrity and success.

Obscurity is one of the key-notes of this house and we often find this element strongly shown in the lives of 12th-house persons, even though there may be nothing particularly sad or tragic about them.

If we take a few maps wherein the *Sun* occupies the 12th, we shall be rather surprised, perhaps, to find several notable astrologers in our collection. Thus we shall find Morinus, the great French astrologer at the court of Louis XIV; he had the Sun and Moon, Venus, Jupiter, and Saturn in the 12th house and in Pisces. Mrs. C. V. Thompson, a well-known astrologer of Boston, Mass., who died a few years ago, had no less than seven bodies in the 12th by Campanus, and five of them, including the Sun, would still be there by Placidus. Alan Leo had the Sun, Mercury, and Jupiter in the 12th.

So far as I know these lives were not unhappy, but the work of the astrologer brings him into contact with people in trouble, and the very subject itself is in a sense secret and even occult. The astrologer deals with matters the rationale of which he

himself does not understand, and if he did understand his art, it would still remain a subject that is obscure and cryptic to the masses. Further, the law is such that the astrologer cannot always come into the open and act freely and in a manner true to his own convictions: if he does seek publicity, then, it seems, he often ceases to that extent to be a genuine astrologer and becomes a sort of sensation-monger, using the planets as his stock-in-trade.

It will commonly be found that even if the actual 12th house is not in strong evidence in the astrological map, the Sun or ruler will be strongly configured with Neptune and often with Jupiter also.

The definitely religious trend of the 12th is shown by the map of a male, born 5.30 a.m., April 9, 1848, 55 N., longitude not stated. This map is taken from A. J. Pearce's textbook. I think it would be pretty safe to assume that the place of birth was in the North of England.

Here the Sun is conjoined with Uranus in the 12th in Aries, and four other bodies are in Pisces in the 12th, three of them being square Mars in Gemini. It was a case of religious mania and suicide by refusal to take food.

One might hazard several reasons why the 12th has the religious tendency. It appears to me, in chief, due to the fact that the water-signs are all *deep* and Pisces, being a common sign, has also a mental aspect; hence Pisces and the 12th are mental seekers, and hence they are attracted to religion, to philosophy, and to such arts and sciences as astrology, which throw out feelers, as it were, in these directions.

Sometimes the tendency is more instinctual and goes towards a general interest in "the occult" rather than to definite philosophies and sciences. Thus we get Rider Haggard (Sun and three planets in the 12th) and Barrie (Sun and Uranus in the 12th).

Those forms of religion that point to a withdrawal from the world will always attract 12th-house people and it is not necessary to point out that Christianity, especially Catholic Christianity, is very pronouncedly Piscean. But most religions have their Piscean sides. Religion tends to stress values that are "not of this world" and the last of the signs and last of the houses usher us out, so to speak, from the circle of manifestation to that which is beyond. The 12th house is the Great Exit, the Outgoing Gate.

Turning to two or three maps of persons in whom the 12th had a definitely sad indication, we may mention the rather famous case of Emily Popejoy, who was worked to death by a

cruel mistress; she had the Sun and Venus in the 12th, but the map has always been something of an astrological problem. However, the Part of Mars¹ is conjunction Uranus, and this at once indicates an element of tragedy, which the planets themselves scarcely show. Louis XVI, the guillotined monarch, had ☉ and ♀ in the 12th conjunction Jupiter, and the map is not terribly afflicted so far as the planets go. But here also the Parts help us, for the "Lightning Flash" is almost exactly opposition Mars.

Lord Birkenhead had the Sun and Venus in Cancer in the 12th, opposed by Saturn, and some would say that he had also Mercury, Jupiter, and Uranus in that house. He rose to great power and wealth, but his last days were clouded, and perhaps one could say that in his case the element of self-undoing could be detected, for he must in some respects have been his own enemy. He had also the Moon, ruling the 12th, in square to Mars.

One would expect that the *Moon* in the 12th would bring trouble through women and domestic and family affairs. This is strikingly exemplified in the *Notable Nativity* case of Warren Leland, the New York hotel proprietor who lost fortune and family by fire. He has the Moon conjoined with Jupiter on the cusp of the 12th (Placidus); it is not afflicted, but Mars conjunction Saturn is virtually on the M.C., thus opposing the cusp of the 4th. Afflictions between the two "malefics" often appear in the form of fire.

Richard Cromwell had the Moon conjunction Uranus in the 12th, though Uranus was not far from the horizon. We read how he was contemptuously ejected from the position of Protector, which he himself did not desire, and became known as "Tumble-down Dick" and by other derisive epithets. We shall probably judge that he was a sensible man. The map is interesting because it shows distinctly the clash between character and destiny. Destiny placed him virtually on a throne and he had four bodies in the cardinal sign Libra, one of them being his ruler Mercury, which was conjunction Mars. The Sun was one of them also, but it was conjunction Neptune, which was also sextile the Moon in the 12th, very close, and this prominence of Neptune signifies the strength of the withdrawal-motif in the character.

Yet he was, for a short while, a prominently placed man. I was asked recently in the Lodge how one can tell outstanding persons, seeing that there must be so many others with almost

¹ An article on the "Parts" may appear shortly.

similar maps who live in obscurity. I think that *exact aspects to angles* is the reply; in fact, when this condition does not appear, I suspect an error in the birth-time.

In Richard Cromwell's case, if the recorded map is right, there is an exact aspect of Venus to the horizon, and several very close contacts with the meridian, including a trine of Saturn to the M.C.

Among political personages, Joseph Chamberlain probably had the Moon in the 12th, also Von Tirpitz, the German admiral, and Lady Oxford. Pisces and the 12th are often emphasized in politicians' horoscopes, and the reason is obvious enough.

Mercury in the 12th is associated with some difficulty in self-expression or in one's powers of communication. For instance, it is associated with deafness and we also find that it points to some difficulty in speech: either the native rambles, or is obscure, or is too diffident to talk easily. Sometimes the mind is too active and outstrips the powers of expression, so that one might get stammering.

John Ruskin had Mercury in the 12th in Capricorn opposed to the Moon and conjunction Mars; he was certainly eloquent with pen and tongue, for Mercury is strong in Capricorn and when in close aspect to the Moon it is often quick in thought; but in the end his mental faculties failed him completely. Mercury in Pisces is often regarded as a fool's position; it may indicate one who is apt to speak foolishly, but the mind may be gifted, in its own way, which is usually the artistic.

Venus in the 12th is not a position of which I have been able to find good examples. It should denote one who is sympathetic with those in trouble and if there were afflictions one might expect sorrow through the affections in no limited degree, and a failure to obtain full scope for the expression of the affectional nature. It would not be likely to point to an early or easy marriage. Furthermore, it would incline to an involved condition of the finances, as does Venus in Pisces. It is true that the planet is said to be exalted in this sign, but personally I prefer Venus in Cancer or Aquarius. It is true that a Piscean position will generally go with a truly kind nature, but on the circumstantial side confusion and trouble, and even deceit, appear very often. Indeed Pisces—and no doubt the same is to some extent true of the 12th house—is prone to be too kind for its own interests, unlike most of the Capricorn positions, which tend to be too attentive to their own interests to be really kind. On the other hand Pisces, whilst well-intentioned, may end by muddling its own affairs and those of the people it

would help, whereas Sun-in-Capricorn may be relied upon to manage well, so that, from a practical point of view, an ounce of Capricorn help is often worth a pound of Piscean. I speak of Sun-in-Capricorn advisedly, because Capricorn rising is altogether different and often in no wise resembles the hard-headed man of affairs that a Saturn rulership suggests.

Mars in the 12th—especially if he occupies the cusp—is a somewhat critical position.

The Rev. A. B. Belcamp, born 7.33 a.m. C.S.T., July 4, 1891, 90° W. 40, 42° N., had some very preservative positions in his natas, such as Jupiter in Pisces in the 8th, trine the Sun and Mars, Moon conjunction Venus, and Sun sextile Saturn exact. But Mars was exactly on the cusp of the 12th (Placidus), Saturn being also opposed to the cusp of the 8th. He was called out to attend an alleged sick-bed on October 26, 1921, and was shot, the murderers escaping. I do not know whether he was a Catholic priest, but should imagine that he was, to judge by the horoscope, and it may be that his assailants were agents of some secret society of anti-Catholic propensities.

A Frenchman who had Mars close to the 12th cusp was Cardinal Richelieu.

In Mr. Robson's Textbook there is a case of suicide after influenza; the 6-12 cusps are 12 Capricorn-Cancer, and there is an opposition of Moon to Mars 8 Capricorn-Cancer, so that the aspect almost falls along the cusps. I have also a case of suicide by gas in which Mars is precisely on cusp 12 in Cancer.

James I had Mars in the 12th, which might have some connection with the Gunpowder Plot and also with his strange morbid fears of drawn swords, due perhaps to the murder of Rizzio in the presence of his mother not long prior to his birth.

John Dee had Mars in Scorpio in the 12th, which may have some relation to his psychism and also his "evil genius," the violent-tempered medium Kelly with whom he was associated.

We must, I think, conclude that Mars in the 12th is a sign of potential danger. It unites deception and violence—that is, when the planet is unfavourably placed. It might also point to operations and painful illnesses.

We should expect *Jupiter* in the 12th to be indicative of religion, merciful works, and philanthropy, and so it would seem to be when well placed. It is also doubtless a preservative influence, and, though it might bring the native into 12th-house conditions, he would probably be comfortable there and well cared for. Thus the ex-Kaiser is in exile, but we may suppose that he has received benefit from Jupiter near the 12th cusp

(Placidus). It rules the 10th and, being weak in the 12th in Gemini, it could not preserve his monarchy, but it has probably caused him to be well looked after, and although Sepharial on two or three occasions foretold his demise, he yet lives and the prophet is no longer with us. He is certainly a very pious man, almost a religio-maniac. Carmen Sylva is another sovereign with Jupiter in the 12th, but she has also Mars, Uranus, and Neptune there and no less than eight bodies in the last three zodiacal signs, an indication of romance and idealism, not to say living in the clouds. It is not surprising that her matter-of-fact Prussian husband used to interrupt her frequently with the impatient exclamation: "Aber das ist doch Unsinn!" ("But that really is nonsense!")

The reformer Savonarola had Jupiter in the 12th sign and house, contrasted with a Libra satellitium, and the very pious Louis XIV had Jupiter in Scorpio near the 12th cusp, but with three close squares.

Tennyson had Jupiter just above the 12th cusp and was deeply interested in religious problems. He also had Pars close to the planet.

If Jupiter in the 12th indicates the religious and philanthropic temperament, then *Saturn* might be expected to have the reverse value. This is probably true, though the effect, if I may use the word, is most marked when the planet is on the cusp or, for that matter, on the cusp of the 6th. For, of course, opposite cusps are really the same cusps, or, to be precise, the same circle. Cusps 1 and 7 are really two points on the circle of the horizon; cusps 4 and 10 two points on the circle of the meridian, and so forth.

There seems reason to believe that Saturn in the 12th does harden the heart, but this trait will always be strongest when the planet is close to the cusp. Planets in houses, but not on the cusps, have a very diffused and general value; when they are exactly on the cusp, the result is neither diffused nor general, but exceedingly concentrated.

N.N. 71 is that of a matricide, and this individual had Saturn exactly on the 6th cusp in the somewhat hard sign Gemini; he had, of course, other unhelpful positions, such as Moon conjunction Uranus in Scorpio, and Saturn itself was square Jupiter, lord of the 12th.

N.N. 271 was not a matricide, but I should think this was not due to any element of compassion, but probably to lack of opportunity or incentive, for she poisoned her grandmother, husband, and brother for their insurance money. Here Saturn retrograde in Aries is exactly on the cusp of the 12th; Mars

and Neptune are also in this house, and there is an opposition of the Lights with Uranus involved.

N.N. 80 is a boy-murderer, and Saturn is retrograde in Gemini on the cusp of the 6th.

The horoscope of George Washington is uncertain, but it appears that he may well have had Saturn in Aries on the cusp of the 12th; he is now known to have been far from the prig that he has been made out to be, and it is probable that his standards were practical, rather than religious in the emotional sense. I think Mrs. Kennison, writing about this map in the *Quarterly* some years ago, said that he was one who "thought religion very good for other people."

It almost seems as if the 12th may have more to do with religion than the 9th, or as much. *Uranus* might be supposed to produce eccentric and unusual religious beliefs and strange and unaccountable sympathies, whilst *Neptune* would certainly make the native easily stirred to compassion, but probably inclined also to queer religious pursuits. We find that Hoover, who was President of the United States and in the time of the war organized the feeding of occupied Belgium, a great work of charity, had Neptune in the 12th in Taurus (food) square Mercury and Mars and quincunx Venus and Jupiter, all close. Lord Rosebery had Neptune and also Mars and Saturn in the 12th, but it would be hard to say how such a very powerful and disintegrative index is to be interpreted; certainly his health seems to have given way and the terrible insomnia from which he suffered may point to a sickness in the unconscious.

Lastly, Annie Besant had Neptune, and also Saturn, in the 12th, and the two seem to symbolize, respectively, her early secularism and her later occultism. Neptune was badly aspected, but the readiness and generosity of her sympathies could never be gainsaid.

ASTROLOGY OF THE HEAD

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THE head is the most important and at the same time the most interesting part of the human body. Placed as it is on the top or summit of the vertebral column, it serves as a control box

and distributing centre for the whole body. Dynamic forces, whether physical or mental, pass backwards and forwards from the brain through the spinal cord to every part of the body, so that there is not a single part of the organism that is not under control. Any portion losing this control ceases to function and deteriorates. A body without a head ceases to have any living existence or consciousness.

The comparative study of the human body and the horoscope, with all its underlying ideas, reveals an analogy so close and striking that one is tempted at times to wonder whether there is not some direct connection between the two.

Anatomically speaking, the head consists of a bony skull covered with skin and integument. It contains the brain, with all its appendages, together with the organs of special senses—the eyes, nose, ears, and mouth with the tongue and palate. It also gives passage to the air for breathing and speaking and to the food for nourishing the body.

The bony skull consists of twenty-two bones, and for the sake of description is divided into two parts. (1) The cranium or dome-shaped box to contain the brain, consisting of eight bones (it has a vaulted roof and a base or floor on which the brain rests), and (2) the face, which consists of fourteen bones and contains the eyes, ears, nose, and mouth. All these bones are firmly welded together into one compact whole, with the exception of the lower jaw, which is movable.

The lower jaw, by articulating with the upper jaw, forms the mouth. For this reason the upper jaw with the hard palate or roof of the mouth and the upper teeth belongs to the face and comes under the rule of Aries, while the lower jaw with the lower teeth, and the contents of the floor of the mouth—tongue, etc.—come under the rule of Taurus.

The lower or under surface of the skull is pierced by a large aperture—foramen magnum—which allows the passage of the spinal cord from the skull to the spinal canal in the spinal column. The head as a unit, with all its contents, is always represented essentially by the 1st house, by Aries the 1st-house sign, and by Mars the ruler of the 1st house, while it is represented accidentally by the 1st house and any sign arising at the time when the particular horoscope is cast. The rising sign invariably represents the head and face of man.

Following from this, certain conditions appertain:

1. All planets in the 1st house always relate in some way or other to the head.
2. All planets in the 1st-house sign (Aries) always carry with them some head significance.

3. As Aries is the first cardinal sign, all cardinal signs and any planets in them always relate to the head, so that any cross between planets in cardinal signs always affects the head.

4. Any planet, when in its own sign, tends to affect the head, as the sign ruled by each planet is considered as influencing the head and the sign Aries.

The bony skull, like all the other bones of the body, is ruled by Saturn, the natural ruler of bones. It has, however, a special ruler in the planet Mars and the sign Aries. The bones of the vault of the skull are all ruled by Aries, but the bones at the base of the skull, that is the part on which the brain rests, are generally spoken of as ruled by the sign Taurus. This, in my mind, raises a rather interesting and at the same time important point, whether Saturn in Taurus can represent the more serious forms of fracture of the skull at its base. The bones of the face are all ruled by Aries and Mars, with the exception of the nasal bones, which are under the rule of Scorpio, the other sign of Mars, and the lower jaw, which is ruled by Taurus. The skin covering the skull is ruled by Capricorn and the planet Saturn, as is the skin of the whole body. The sign Libra and the planet Venus have a great influence over the skin of the whole body, especially in connection with the face. I think there is some reason for this. The skin is one of the chief organs of respiration and for getting rid of the waste products of the body and acts in co-operation with the kidneys, so it is not surprising to find the ruler of the kidneys having an influence on the skin. Saturn is in his exaltation in Libra and is another astrological pointer to the power of Libra over the skin. Venus is always considered the planet influencing the complexion for good if well aspected, while Saturn always coarsens and deteriorates.

The chief content of the cranium is the brain, with its two coverings to protect it and its many and numerous blood vessels. The outer covering is a thick, tough structure, and protects the brain from injury, and contains all the large blood vessels to the brain—this is known as the "Dura mater"; the inner covering is known as the "Pia mater," is very fine, and is attached to the brain.

The brain is divided into two parts or hemispheres, quite separate in front, but uniting behind and below to form the early part of the spinal cord, known as the medulla oblongata. This is the most vital part of the brain and controls the vital centres—those of the heart and the lungs.

The fibres from each side of the brain cross here, so that fibres from the left side cross and control the right side of the body and those from the right cross and control the left side

of the body. For this reason a normal right-handed person is controlled by the left side of the brain and vice-versa. On the under and back part of the brain is the cerebellum—a most important part of the the brain, as its purpose is to co-ordinate the movements of the body and enable a person to stand upright without falling over and to keep the balance.

Speaking generally, the brain as a whole is ruled by Aries and the planet Mars, but the under-surface or base is ruled by Taurus and the planet Venus. The cerebellum is taken with the base of the brain and is under the rule of Taurus, so that Taurus and the planet Venus have a great deal to do with the equilibrium and poise of the body.

Mercury also exerts a strong rule over the brain, as it does over the whole of the nervous system.

The brain substance is ruled by the Moon and the planet Mercury. The meninges or coverings of the brain or "Dura mater" are ruled by the sign Cancer and by the planet Uranus. The Sun, though it does not actually rule the brain, has a great affinity with it, as it is the seat of all consciousness. The Sun and the Moon must have some combined influence on the brain to account for the peculiar disturbances that can, and actually do, take place at the new and full Moon, when the two luminaries are in conjunction with or opposition to each other, as the case may be. It is stated, but I cannot see how it can be proved physically, that the brain actually increases in weight and size until the full Moon is reached, after which it diminishes in size and weight to the new Moon, when it is at its smallest capacity, so that there is a continual fluctuation in size as the distance between the Sun and Moon varies.

Other structures to note in the brain are the ventricles, which are five in number; they are spaces in the centre of various parts of the brain and are in connection with each other and the spinal canal in the centre of the spinal cord. These are filled with fluid and regulate the pressure on the brain. They are ruled by the planet Neptune.

The pituitary body or gland is a small structure on the under surface of the brain resting in a special cavity in the base of the skull. It is ruled by Uranus.

The pineal gland is a small body about a quarter of an inch in length, and is situated deep in the centre of the brain at the back of the third ventricle and is in close connection with the eye centres of the brain. It is considered by many to be a third eye, which existed in very early ages at the back of the head to facilitate seeing behind. It is ruled by Neptune, and Neptune in the sign Aries has the strongest rule over the gland. Neptune

afflicted in Pisces or 12th house seems to affect this gland adversely, as do the aspects between Uranus and Neptune. The pineal body is supposed to be the seat of clairvoyance and second sight. The afflictions to Neptune, especially in Pisces and 12th house, cause deliriums, etc., and cravings for narcotic drugs, etc.

The *left hemisphere* of the brain, which is normally the most active side of the brain in a right-handed person, is ruled by Mars and this is in keeping with the fact that the right hand is the strongest and the one most naturally used.

The *right hemisphere* is ruled by Mercury and this is in keeping with the fact that a normal person has to learn to use the left hand.

The teeth are, in a general way, ruled by Saturn. The upper teeth are ruled by Aries and the lower teeth by Taurus.

The tongue is ruled by Mercury and Taurus. Mercury in Aries has very strong influence over the tongue, but more from a mental point of view, as Taurus has most to do with speech and taste.

The eyes. Right eye in a male is ruled by the Sun and the left eye in a male is ruled by the Moon. The rulerships are reversed in the female. The lens of the eye is ruled by the Sun and the iris by the signs Aries and Taurus. The Sun, Moon, Uranus, and Neptune are the planets that mainly influence the eyes. The sign Aquarius has strong rule over the eyesight.

The ears in general as organs of hearing are ruled by Taurus, though they are very much influenced by Aries. Mercury is the planet that rules the hearing.

The 12th house has a great effect on the hearing owing to its aspect of limitation. The right ear is ruled by Saturn and the left ear is ruled by Mars. The 1st house rules the ears. The planet Venus, and the sign Taurus rules the eustachian tubes from the ears to the throat. The planet Jupiter also has an influence over the right ear.

The nose is ruled by Scorpio and Aries has a good deal of influence over it. The planet Mars is the ruler.

The sense of smell is influenced by Scorpio, the sign ruling the nose, and to a great extent it is ruled by Mars, the ruler of the sign. The planet Mercury has a strong rulership over the sense of smell. Afflictions of Saturn or Mars in Scorpio to Mercury suggest either loss or perversion of the sense of smell.

The hair, as an appendage of the skin, is ruled by Capricorn and to a general extent by Saturn, the ruler of the sign.

The chief ruler of the hair is, however, the planet Mercury and Virgo, which rules the nails as well, since they are also a

skin structure. Mercury afflicted in Aries generally shows or suggests some affection of the hair. Venus also rules the hair. The connection of Mercury with the hair rather explains the frequency with which the disorders of the nervous system seem to affect the hair, especially shock or some very debilitating illness.

Grey hair is ruled by Saturn, the ruler of old age. Airy signs strong at birth and many planets in them tend to early grey hair; this is particularly noticeable in the case of Aquarius rising, or the Sun in Aquarius, with many planets in the Saturnine signs.

Earthy signs strong at birth tend to give abundant and plentiful hair and the watery signs do so too. The signs in which this is most noticeable are Taurus, Cancer, and Pisces.

Fiery signs strong at birth tend to early loss of hair.

When the Sun or Saturn is in 5° Aries or Sagittarius, the growth of the hair is inhibited. Mars rising at birth generally gives a moderate growth of hair or hair that will not last for any length of time. Baldness is a Sagittarian influence. And Jupiter in Sagittarius in affliction produces baldness.

A STUDY IN EXHIBITIONISM

By MABEL BAUDOT

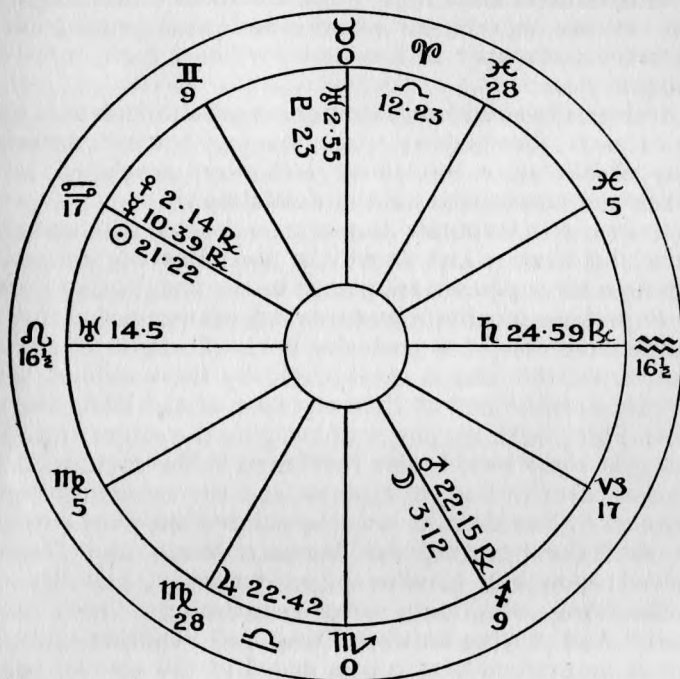
FRANCIS HAROLD DAVIDSON, destined to become a stormy petrel of the Church, was born in a small village about two miles from Southampton on July 14, 1875. He came of a long line of clerics, and was a Toynbee on one side of the family. His mother was a very intellectual and even brilliant woman, but had a somewhat unbalanced type of mind. For some little while it was found necessary to confine her in an asylum for the insane. She seems to be partly indicated by the rising Uranus. Harold was the only son, but had one sister.

Histrionic and rhetorical gifts developed early in the boy. There is no doubt that he possessed the eloquence and dramatic talents which manifest themselves so frequently in the children of ecclesiastics.

He himself stated that he left school in 1894, when he was nineteen, and started his career upon the stage, continuing this profession for over eight years, although during the last four and a half of these years he was, simultaneously, keeping terms at Oxford, reading for his degree with a view to taking Holy

Orders, and graduating from Exeter College, in June 1903. He did not fear hard work, as evidenced by the brilliant sextiles of Mars in the philosophic Sagittarius to Saturn dignified in Aquarius and Jupiter in Libra in the 3rd house.

Harold Davidson became a curate at the famous church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, and was subsequently married in that edifice by the Bishop of London. His wife was an Irish girl, who had a somewhat wild and decidedly unconventional streak in her



(Placidian Cusps)

Note.—In the above map ♄ in 10th should be ♀ and ♀ is not R.

character. She, too, possessed dramatic talents and had run away from home in order to go on the stage. Hers was a love match with the young curate, and as a personality she is indicated to some extent by Mars in the 5th house, especially as the Moon is also placed in the same sign.

In 1906 Harold Davidson became Rector of Stiffkey.

He had always been interested in the "downs and outs," and when he was an undergraduate at Oxford had spoken on this subject on the same platform with the Bishop of London.

He took up rescue and preventive work after being at Stiffkey for some years, frequently visiting London for this purpose. While he was still studying to take holy orders, he rescued a girl who was about to commit suicide in the river, during a thick fog, near the Thames Embankment. According to his own statement, he used to take poor girls to restaurants for a meal and a talk and said that their pitiful stories made a tremendous impression upon him.

This continued until 1931, when a scandal concerning a girl broke out, causing such perturbation and gaining such publicity that every newspaper in England contained paragraphs concerning it.

Astrologically considered, the horoscope, although denoting a man of parts, foreshadows strong leanings towards sensationalism, which, after the above esclandre, developed into a peculiar and unbalanced kind of exhibitionism.

Leo rises, with its innate dramatic tendencies, still further reinforced by Uranus just above the ascending degree; and no fewer than three planets are placed in the imaginative Cancer, with its unique proclivity towards self-dramatisation, love of sensation, and delight in posturing in the limelight. In the case of the rector, this bias is accentuated by the sextile of Venus to Neptune, enthroned at the very apex of the Midheaven, in Taurus. Pluto, with his power of bringing the subject into prominence of some sort, is also in Taurus in the 10th, with disastrous squares to Saturn, Uranus, and the ascending degree. In fairness to Davidson, it must be pointed out most emphatically that the beautiful ray between Venus and Neptune bestowed upon him genuine pity, sympathy, and devotion towards those who have been described as "life's disinherited." And playing between Lunar and Venusian signs, the aspect is an extremely altruistic one. But the scandal spread like a prairie fire, and the grouping of unfavourable rays in the M.C. could hardly fail to make it one of the first and finest description, especially as the sensation-loving character of the rector seemed to play up to and enhance the difficulties of his planets in every possible way. He invited criticism and disapproval by the utterly reckless manner in which he disregarded the most elementary conventions.

Years before the Stiffkey scandal he used to motor to friends' houses in the small hours of the morning, and, to the great astonishment of the sleepy inhabitants, ask for shelter for some girl seated beside him in the car. "For heaven's sake take her in; I do not know what to do with her," was his invariable comment as he left the stranger on the doorstep and drove away,

The proclivity towards the ecclesiastical profession is denoted not only by the Jupiterian decanate of the religious sign Leo, but also very potently by the Moon and Mars in the traditional sign of the clergy, Sagittarius. The ascending degree is in trine to Mars in the 5th, and in sextile to Jupiter in Libra in the house ruling over the mental faculties. These aspects in the 3rd are particularly good for quickness of intellect, rapid assimilation of literary subjects, and impressive oratorical ability. These are still further strengthened by the perfect sextile harmonising Venus in the imaginative sphere of the Moon, and Neptune in a Venusian sign. Metaphor, colour persuasion, and fervour are all conveyed by this co-mingling of the silver planet with the poetic and impassioned rays of the transcendental.

The horoscope is certainly not that of a hard or selfish character. There is an abundance of sympathy for the trials, sufferings, and sorrows of others in this same ray, and also in the conjunction of Mercury and Venus in Cancer which with its heights and depths of feeling is capable of producing intense altruism and prophetic flashes of intuition. In addition to this, Jupiter, the ruler of the rector's decanate, has a close trine to Saturn and an exact sextile to Mars, thus conjuring away the edge of the Saturnian coldness and reserve, and causing much emotional tension and spontaneous friendliness through the Martian body in a domain always swayed more or less by waves of feeling and emotion. Mars himself is rendered still more nervous and impulsive through his vibrations in fire and the mutability of a common sign. The trouble appears to be that the very real kindness of heart and facile sympathies were exhibited in such eccentric and dramatic ways. The solar ray, applying directly to the square of Jupiter in Libra, in the 3rd, seems to have affected his judgment very badly, and the continuous tension of Uranus, also in fire, with that planet's sudden sweeping decisions and electric methods, undoubtedly led the rector into wild extravagances which appeared to be very much worse than they were in reality. The rescue work was one of his innate ideals, denoted by the general lie of the land in his chart, and that he fell through this work is indicated by the inner action of *karma*, shown by the Sun in the mystic 12th, in difficult aspect to Jupiter, the natural ruler of the 9th—aspirations and ideals.

After the verdict of the Ecclesiastical Committee of the Privy Council, which resulted in his being deposed from Holy Orders, the underlying sensational tendencies of Harold Davidson's character came to the surface with unrestrained

force. He exhibited himself at Blackpool, hiring a booth on the seashore, giving himself up to fasts, and inviting the public to view him for the sum of twopence.

On some occasions he even procured a barrel, in which he seated himself. From this coign of vantage he harangued all and sundry. We wonder whether some far-away classical memory of Diogenes and his tub haunted the mind of the ex-rector during these exhibitions.

The municipal authorities of Lancashire's chief pleasure resort were sorely vexed and perturbed, during the high season, by the unparalleled spectacle of the Rev. Harold Davidson lying in a tent with a three-day growth of hair on his chin, dishevelled, emaciated, stretched on a pallet bed, covered by a grimy sheet. The Mayor of Blackpool expostulated with the rector during the summer of 1935, and mentioned his proceedings with severe disapproval in several of his public speeches. The ex-clergyman's displays were referred to as a demoralising spectacle, capable of injuring the prestige of the town.

The rector has also haunted fairs, etc., and, hiring a booth, has endeavoured to martyr himself in some fashion or other. In these and similar proceedings the masochism of Cancer can be clearly traced—the innate love of drawing the public attention, of being the “star turn,” even though the rôle be an unattractive and humiliating one. This self-abasement is designed to constitute the “big noise” in the various places he selects for his exhibitions.

The peculiar touch of ascetism which induces him to indulge in protracted fasts is denoted by the strong Saturnian vibrations. He has determination and perseverance. Note the close sextile of Mars to Saturn, and the same aspect from Mars to Jupiter, which link the three planets one to the other. But the unfavourable ray of Saturn to Pluto, high in the Midheaven, caused the ascetism to be employed on occasion in a discreditable way in order to serve the ends of sensationalism. In addition to this, the emplacement of the planet of destiny in the 7th house, in opposition to the rising degree, to which is joined a distant opposition to the unruly Uranus, is a distinct pointer to the fact that the rector would find himself fighting a losing battle against authority.

During the year 1931, when the scandalous episode mentioned was in full progress, Harold Davidson's progressed Moon was in the natal 5th house.

The following year, when he was summoned to appear for immorality charges which resulted so disastrously for his career, the Sun was in Virgo in wide square to Mars in the

radical 5th. This emotional and passional sphere is vividly illustrative of the tempestuous state of the rector's feelings at the time.

It is always sad to see "talents misused and faculties abused," especially when a man is born under rays which, properly used by the conscience and the will, would have enabled him to remain to the end a useful, brilliant, and progressive worker in the outer world, and could even have conducted him spiritually to "a peak in Darien."

AN ADDENDUM

The end of the unfortunate man's life was a singularly tragic one.

On July 28, 1937, he was attacked and mauled by a powerful lion while posturing in a lion's cage belonging to a circus at Skegness. In the hope of gaining fresh conquests in exhibitionism he had requested the manager of the circus to allow him to show himself in this manner. In his excitement he trod by accident on the paw of Freddy, a large five-year-old feline. The animal inflicted cruel wounds on the poor man—a fractured collar-bone being among them.

He was finally rescued from the lion's clutches by a courageous circus girl named Renee Somner. The first thing that he said when he was dragged mauled and bleeding from the cage was typical of his psychology: "Telephone this to the London newspapers. You must not miss the first edition!"

He passed away on Friday afternoon, July 30th. His sixty-second birthday had taken place just sixteen days before this.

It was a cruel death, but Harold Davidson seemed to rejoice that his last exploit caused tremendous publicity and aroused varying feelings, from commiseration to amazement, all over the country.

His dominant trait, sensationalism, appeared to be satisfied in his passing.

The ruling passion, be it what it will—

The ruling passion conquers reason still!

On his last birthday the progressed ascendant was ≈ 0.30 , applying to the square of the radical Venus, retrograding, and ≈ 0.30 held the Midheaven. The Sun was $\text{M} 21$, going to $\square \text{♂} 1$. The ♃ was in ♋ , the sign of the 8th cusp, and was in square to the natal $\text{♃} \uparrow$, and ♃ , who seems to play a strong part in this passing, was in $\text{M} 1$, close to the 4th cusp of the radical horoscope—the end of earthly things. It was applying to the opposition of Ψ , in the Midheaven.

♄ had progressed to ♌ 18, thus coming just within the natal ascendant, at the time of his passing. Note that ♄ was originally in ♌ 14—the sign of the Lion, by which beast the poor man lost his life, and the planet was in the 12th house, the sphere of large animals.

On July 30th the transiting ☉ was in ♌, passing through the radical 12th, and the ♃ was in ♍, in the natal Midheaven, in square to the greater luminary. ♄ in transit was in ♍ 13½, also in the M.C. and applying very closely to ☐ radical ♄, a predominating influence in the ex-rector's character, since this planet of the eccentric and unexpected operated in so powerful a fashion over his ascendant, and was in its detriment.

THE NATIVITY OF THE RIGHT HON. L. HORE-BELISHA

By ADA PARKES

SEVERAL interesting points in the map under review immediately focus the attention, the chief of which is the prominence of the 4th sign and house and the fact that the Moon, the ruler of the horoscope, is in aspect to every planet (with the exception of Mercury) as well as to Fortuna, the ascendant and M.C.

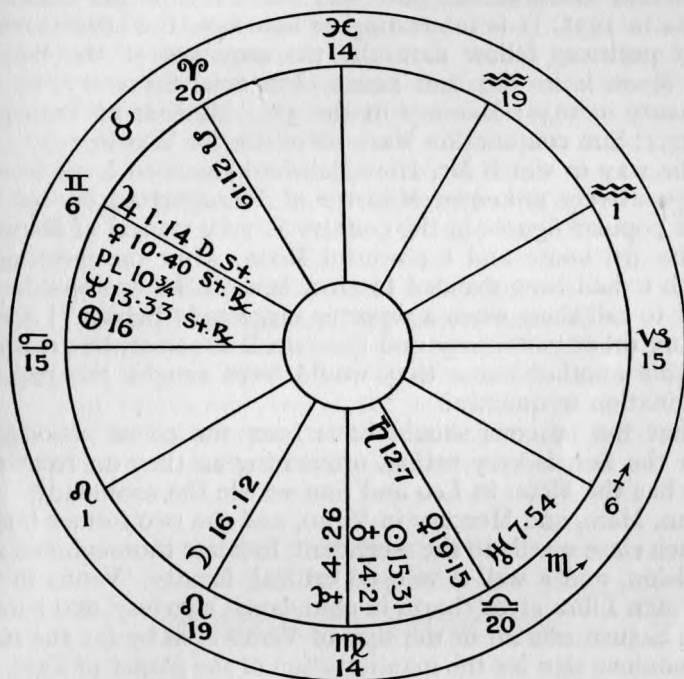
From a national point of view Cancer, the Moon, and the 4th house represent the people; small wonder that with so powerful a lunar strain in the map Mr. Hore-Belisha has become such a popular figure.

For powers of leadership a strong solar influence is important. This is well to the fore, with the ruler of the map in the sign of the Sun, and the Sun in exact sextile to the ascendant.

Cancer rising, Moon in Leo, and Uranus in Scorpio in the 5th house indicate a very strong emotional nature, and most Cancer men are very attached to the mother. His father died when Mr. Hore-Belisha was five months old (Sun in the 4th house square Neptune). Fire and Water are the most discordant of horoscopic clashes, but it seems to me that the Moon in Leo focusing through a Cancerian ascendant, in spite of the disharmony, should be good, for the shy, sensitive, retiring Cancer would be offset by the fiery Moon; there would be much more self-confidence and enthusiasm in youth than is usual with a Cancer child. The crab would have its shell ready made as it

were, and not have to grow it through being hurt so much by the unfeeling natives of the earthy triplicity!

With six planets in mutable signs, four in air, and Mercury in Virgo in the 3rd house, the map is strongly intellectual. Cancer rising and the many-aspected Moon indicate a remarkably good memory and the native would learn easily without much hard work. Mr. Hore-Belisha was educated in Paris, Heidelberg, and,



Born September 7, 1893, at 11.52 p.m., Kilburn, London.
Time stated by mother in an article in the *News Chronicle* of October 9, 1936, to be "just before midnight."

after distinguishing himself in the Great War, at St. John's College, Oxford. Under the secondary direction of Mars progressed trine Jupiter radical he became President of the Oxford Union in 1919. Very early in life he was attracted to law and oratory, and on leaving Oxford after taking his M.A. degree he commenced to study with the intention of being a barrister, but soon gave this up for politics. With Mercury square Jupiter, and Saturn ruler of the 9th house square ascendant, one would not have prophesied much success in law. In 1922

he became M.P. for Devonport. At this time the Sun by secondary direction was separating from the conjunction of Saturn and was in trine to Neptune. The Moon was completing her first cycle round the map and in this year met again in turn the many aspects made at birth; by the radix measure the Moon was conjunction Sun, and also by this measure Uranus progressed was trine Moon radical. The first important Government post was Secretary to the Board of Trade in 1931. It is interesting to note how the later Government positions follow naturally the sequence of the houses. The Moon is in the 2nd house—Financial Secretary to the Treasury in 1932; Mercury in the 3rd—Minister of Transport in 1934; Sun conjunction Mars—Minister for War in 1937.

The way in which Mr. Hore-Belisha blossomed forth from a comparatively unknown Minister of Transport to one of the most popular figures in the country is very typical of Mercury in the 3rd house and a powerful Moon. After the meeting in which it had been decided to erect beacons he was wondering what to call them when a reporter suggested "Belisha"! A rose by any other name may and does smell as sweet, but can one imagine another name that would have caught the popular imagination so quickly?

That the beacons should have been the colour associated with the Sun is very fitting, originating as they do from one who has the Moon in Leo and Sun sextile the ascendant.

Sun, Mars, and Mercury in Virgo, and the two former bodies in such close sextile to the ascendant, indicate thoroughness and precision, and a well-developed critical faculty. Venus in her own sign Libra gives charm in abundance, courtesy, and gentleness. Saturn exalted in the sign of Venus is in by far the most harmonious sign for the manifestation of the planet of Fate, for it indicates a sense of justice, a love of duty, and many other virtues that go to make a well-ordered life.

In maps of outstanding ability there are generally one or more close conjunctions. The conjunction of Sun and Mars indicates tremendous driving power and courage, and in this map being in Virgo, it is shorn of some of its recklessness. Mars conjoined to the 4th cusp is not a happy position, but the sextile to ascendant offsets to some extent this disturbing influence. The square of Sun and Mars to the conjunction of Pluto and Neptune in the 12th house weakens the structure of the map and constitutes a very disharmonious influence, indicating as it does muddle, treachery, and deceit. The sextile of the Moon, the ruler of the map, to Neptune and Pluto will mitigate to some extent this disastrous influence; still, an

astrologer would prefer not to see a War Minister with Mars square Neptune, and the ruler of the map in square to Uranus in a Mars sign.

Looked at from the point of view of how much the native of this map is capable of serving the State, we find that the Moon's North Node is in Aries, the ruling sign of England, conjoined to the 11th cusp—an influence very much to the good. The Leo influence, apart from ambition, gives also kindliness and a wish to make the people happy. The strong lunar influence should enable him to sense the needs of the populace. The square of Mercury in the 3rd house to Jupiter in the 3rd sign does not indicate lasting success in 3rd-house matters. This mutable square is also likely to work out in errors of judgment. The Virgo satellitium will enable him to fill in the details of his Leo planning. Jupiter, lord of the 10th, in square to Mercury, shows reverses in his public life, and also that he will be subject to very much criticism, but this is the inevitable lot of the politician, and no public man worth his salt but takes it as one of the unenviable consequences of public office.

This is I consider the nativity of one who could really help to legislate to give the people happier conditions—that his powers and talents are used at the present time to build up a bigger and better war organization is one of the unfortunate effects of our too short-sighted politicians of the past.

ANSWERS TO PROBLEMS

VERNITA CHURCHILL, a member of the Committee of the Astrological Lodge of London, and a well-known lecturer on astrological subjects, has kindly agreed to answer questions concerning children, courtship, domestic, and psychological problems.

Every question must be accompanied by a coupon, which will be found on page 129, and a stamped addressed envelope must be enclosed for reply, in case there is no space to print it. Also please state the birth date of the person about whom the question is asked—day, year, place, and time, if possible. If the question concerns two people, such as husband and wife, dates of both must be given.

Please do not send questions concerning racing, health, or money affairs.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

ASTROLOGY AND GARDENING

From ADA PARKES.

Although the popular astrology broadcast in the daily press is so deplorable, there is one aspect of it all to the good—that is the increasing interest taken in astrology in relation to agriculture. We know agriculture is as old as man, and as far back as records go there is manifold proof that astrology is also. It was common knowledge to the ancient astrologers that everything that grows comes under the influence of one or other of the planets, and that the Moon is a very important factor in growth. There are many rules handed down which can be tried and tested. In the next number of the magazine I will give the result of experimenting with some of the traditional rules.

EDITORIAL NOTE.—We are quite sure Mrs. Parkes's contribution on this subject will be welcomed by very many readers.

THE UNIQUENESS OF THE BIRTH MAP

From ADA PARKES.

The article, "Astrology in Modern Guise," by F. B. Marson, interested me very much. I beg to differ from him, however, in his thesis that the birth chart of an individual is not particular to that individual. If it is true that "no two blades of grass can be alike," how much more must this apply to human beings? Surely each being must have a purpose in life that no other being can possibly fulfil, and if so, every one must be unique. In that case there must be at least one point in the map, even if it is only the ascending degree, that makes each chart different from every other.

BIOCHEMIC REMEDIES

From VAHDAH OLCOTT BICKFORD.

As I have been working with and using, for twelve or more years, the biochemic salts, I was interested in your article on that subject in the last issue. My personal experience, with my own case and that of my family and friends, has been that the salt most often needed and the one also indicated by symptoms (even without the use of astrology) always seems to be the one *opposite the Sun sign*. For instance, my Sun (a part of a satellitium) is in Libra, and I have never yet needed my Sun salt. But I frequently need the Aries salt, kali phos., although I have no planets in that sign. In the case of my husband, who has Sun (also a part of a satellitium) in Sagittarius, he needs more often than any other salt kali mur. or the Gemini salt, although he has no planets in Gemini. My mother has needed quite often her salt of the opposite of the Sun sign. She is a Sun-Taurus, however, and has four planets in Taurus (three of them malefics), and hence also fairly often needs her Sun-sign salt

for a brief time. Therefore, as mentioned in the case of my husband and myself, we each have always needed more often than any other the salts of the sign which shows no prominence in our maps, and this would seem to overthrow the soundness of the idea expressed in your article on the next to last paragraph on page 66 of the current volume of *Astrology*.

I was much interested in what you say about the pendulum or ball on page 67 of your article. It was the first I had heard of it, although I do know that there is a way of testing by the Abrams or a similar machine just what cell salts are needed by the body and the particular patient. I have had this test made myself and also found there that the salt that I did *not* need and which, in fact, sent the machine to a vibration augmenting the illness, was my own Sun-sign salt. This test was made several times and the antipathetic action of that cell salt each time amazed the doctor.

To go further into the cell salts, my husband also needs quite frequently ferrum phos. (the Pisces salt), and this is the place held by his Saturn. I have had wonderful success with the various salts. For instance, once when he had a severe acute nosebleed and had worked for some time to stop it without success without calling me (since he knew I should be frightened), I came in and applied ferrum phos. locally into the nose and it was stopped completely in less than two minutes; we took the car, went to town, and he had no further trouble.

With silica I have cured two serious cases of boils and these were so severe that they had been lanced repeatedly by a physician and the patients kept getting more boils, etc., and with the cell salts they were cured. In another case a long-standing ulcer on the head (twelve years) caused by a radium burn, which had been treated by various noted physicians without the slightest relief, was completely cured and sloughed off and left clean skin underneath with two weeks' treatment with silica, both internally and locally. The doctors had diagnosed it as actual necrosis or dead tissue. It could not have been dead, however, as the fresh skin would not have come back. It was a frightful-looking open sore all the twelve years. It has evidently poison at the back of it since it scabs over after a few weeks of clearness, but never so bad as before, and then with another course of silica the scab comes off and the fresh baby-clear skin comes fully healed underneath the scab. Nothing like this ever happened with all the twelve years of treatments of various sorts by noted physicians. The X-ray showed the radium burn had extended more than fifty per cent through the skull, so this seems like a miracle to me. As the patient is a member of my family I have been able to watch the case throughout the entire twelve years under all sorts of treatment.

Kali phos. seems to me to be one of the most marvellous of the salts in its action, along with the silica just mentioned, when the former is indicated. I have cured hysterical women with it and insomnia many times.

From B. PENNIE.

In my own case I suffered with fistulae of the nails for eighteen months, which the local doctor failed to find a cure for. It was a most painful and unsightly business as every one of my nails was affected and bandaged, but after three doses of calc. phos. the pus disappeared, though, of course, it was quite a long time before I grew new nails. I attribute this to Mars in Capricorn in my map, which I have enclosed. This may not be quite the sort of information you could make use of in the magazine; I only mention it as I can vouch for the immediate results I gained after having given up all other treatments.

SOME CRITICISMS

From M. MATTHEWS.

You were speaking of the Quarterly recently and inviting criticism.

Personally, I always buy it, and often find interesting articles in it, and like your editorial, and articles generally, but less so articles on the biochemic remedies. Personally, I would not encourage people to think, or talk about, their health—they are only too fond of doing so. I rather think the salts are more likely to do harm than good in the long run—and the astrological connection seems vague and uncertain. I like articles on international astrology—and indeed anything that is not too theoretical. I don't care for statistical articles—they prove very little.

I don't care for F. B. Marsom's article, nor all those queries by Monkton Farleigh. Nor do I care for "Answers to Problems." They are well answered, but the questions are too personal.

Questions and answers of general interest would be useful—where advice was not wanted but the desire to increase astrological knowledge was evident.

I like the "Pluto" article. I think more horoscopes and delineations would be an advantage.

I don't think it would be a good idea to insert Campanus cusps in the outer circle of horoscope, as a correspondent suggests on page 79—it would be confusing.

DATA REQUIRED

From A. G. S. NORRIS.

c/o B.M./S.F. 36.

LONDON, W.C. 1, ENGLAND.

May I enlist your kind co-operation and be permitted to ask your readers to supply certain data for the purpose of research work?

The opinion is expressed on page 32 of *Transcendental Astrology* that a more scientific understanding of astro-diagnosis might be acquired by the aid of certain analyses of the name of the native. Since that was written it has been possible to examine the subject more closely.

Charts of eighteen persons, *where the maiden name of the mother is known*, have been examined. Extracting the even numbers of the names, including those of the mother's maiden name, the digits obtained provided the following striking results. In eight cases the digit is that of the planet which is the ruler of the ascendant; in two it is that of a planet in the 1st house; in six that of a planet in *very* close major aspect to the rising degree, whilst in two instances the results are negative. The latter maps have not been rectified and there is considerable doubt regarding one of them.

Students of biology will be aware that the hereditary factors of *the body* are determined by the genes contained in the male and female chromosomes. It *may* transpire that the even numbers of the mother's and the father's surnames are related to genetic laws, but the examination of a large number of cases is necessary before the point can be determined. It is here that your readers could very materially help forward this very interesting research work.

I should welcome as many data as they care to send that contain the following factors and with the names in block letters:

- (1) Full baptismal or registered names, care being taken to supply the maiden surname in the case of a married woman.
- (2) The *maiden* name of the mother.
- (3) The usual horoscopic data: date, time, and place. (A copy of the chart where available, and time permits, would be of considerable assistance.)
- (4) Particulars of any congenital abnormalities, physical infirmities, and health weaknesses.
- (5) Where known, details of those matters known in genetics as "hereditary factors." These include the colour of the eyes, skin, and hair of both parents and that of the offspring; unusual stature, marked mental capacity, or its lack, haemophilia, and, in fact, any marked characteristics or health factor possessed by one or both parents and passed to the offspring. *Kindly state which of the parents possessed the factor.*

Particulars relative to plural births would be especially welcome. All information supplied will be treated as strictly confidential and should the necessity arise for publication names would be omitted.

I thank you and your readers in anticipation and will gratefully acknowledge all replies.

P.S.—It will be greatly appreciated if colonial and foreign astrological and occult journals will kindly copy.

Solving the Mysterious Universe, by ERNEST AUGUSTUS THOMAS, M.R.S.T. Allenson & Co., Ltd., London. 182 pp. 7s. 6d. net.

There are many of us who dislike the idea that the universe is running down and that the time will inexorably come when everything will be cold and dead. The author of this book not only rebels against such a thought, but from known astronomical facts has evolved a theory to show that the reverse is happening and that the matter of which the universe is formed is continually being re-energized.

By somewhat devious ways he traces the evolution of scattered star-dust into nebulae, thence into condensations of multitudes of stars, the temperatures of which increase as contraction goes on until there comes a time when surface cooling sets in, the inner heat being retained while the outer temperature drops. Then, through increased gravitational force engendered by the accretion of meteoric matter, the internal stresses become too great for equilibrium and the star bursts into fragments to form the raw material of another nebula.

If this theory be true, it may be (although the author does not mention the possibility) the asteroids are the relics of a star or planet which exploded in this way, and one cannot help wondering with some trepidation when the Moon is likely to blow up, for such an event would undoubtedly result in dire consequences to us dwellers on the earth.

Doubtless experienced astronomers could point to a number of gaps in the theory, and even amateurs might be pardoned for feeling chary of accepting some of the statements put forward by Mr. Thomas when they read that the ecliptic is "the line joining the centre of the Earth to the centre of the Sun," that in Laplace's time *Neptune* was considered the farthest planet from the Sun, and that it was discovered by calculation "before a telescope was constructed powerful enough to see it!"

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