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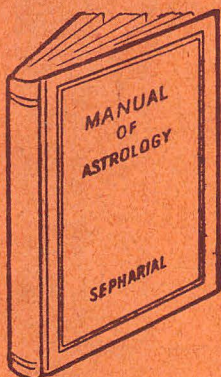
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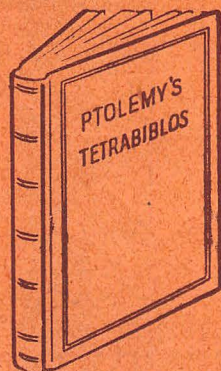
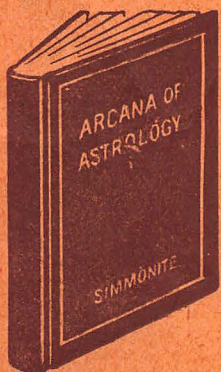
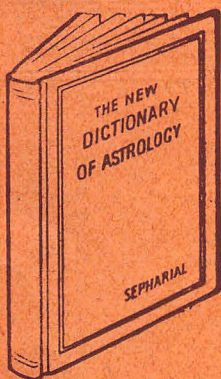
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THE EDITOR'S OBSERVATORY

VOLUME 25.

This issue commences the twenty-fifth year of continued existence. For twenty-four years I have held the position of Editor and have done everything I could think of to interest and instruct my readers, and from the numerous letters which have been received, I feel that my work has not been in vain. During the coming volume I am giving a little more of a purely astrological nature, and shall publish month by month extracts from ancient and modern authors dealing with topics of interest. This month I am quoting from the new American Magazine, *Wynn's Astrology*, an opinion by the Editor of that paper on the pre-natal epoch, in which he refers to the recent slander, and expresses himself very plainly thereon.

Among some of the new features of the volume is a series of remarkable horoscopes, the first being called "A Strange Family History," dealing with some extraordinary births, and supported by the horoscopes of the parents of the children. The Pre-natal epoch is receiving further attention, for reasons which are well known, and some new information on this subject will be given. The Radix system of directing will receive a more com-

plete and detailed explanation than has been given in the past, and some new ideas of importance will be put forward. Articles from occasional contributors will also appear from time to time. "Markeon, M.A.," "Astel," Mr. Harvey and Mr. Whitman will continue their contributions, and Mr. V. E. Robson will continue the Kaleidoscope. For those who are interested in Hindu Astrology, Mr. Robson has some important subjects in hand, which will appear shortly. The usual features will be continued, as hitherto, and I hope to make the coming volume of the JOURNAL of greater interest than the last.

DEATH OF MRS. CORNOLD.

I deeply regret to announce the death, on the 1st September, of Mrs. Gornold, widow of our late esteemed contributor, Sepharial, after a long illness. The sympathy of our readers will go out to the members of the bereaved family, in the great loss which they have sustained.

NOTICE TO READERS.

I desire to draw the attention of readers, that the Daily Guide will, in and after the present issue, be published for the following month, instead of the current one. This has been adopted in order to save a column space, and that foreign readers will benefit thereby.

E. H. BAILEY.

Astronomical Phenomena

OCTOBER, 1931

Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter	—	4th	—	8h. 15m. p.m.
New Moon	—	11th	—	1h. 6m. p.m.
First Quarter	—	18th	—	9h. 20m. a.m.
Full Moon	—	26th	—	1h. 34m. p.m.

Planetary Positions.

- ☉ The SUN is in Libra, enters Scorpio 24th at 9.15 a.m.
- ☿ MERCURY is in Virgo, enters Libra 4th, and Scorpio 22nd.
- ♀ VENUS is in Libra, enters Scorpio 14th.
- ♂ MARS is in Scorpio, enters Sagittarius 30th.
- ♃ JUPITER is in Leo.
- ♄ SATURN is in Capricorn.
- ♅ URANUS is in Aries.
- ♆ NEPTUNE is in Virgo.
- ☾ The following table shows the Moon's sign position at noon on each day of the month.
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|--------|---------------|-------------|------------|
| Aries | 24, 25 | Libra | 10, 11 |
| Taurus | 1, 26, 27, 28 | Scorpio | 12, 13 |
| Gemini | 2, 3, 29, 30 | Sagittarius | 14, 15, 16 |
| Cancer | 4, 5, 31 | Capricorn | 17, 18 |
| Leo | 6, 7 | Aquarius | 19, 20 |
| Virgo | 8, 9 | Pisces | 21, 22, 23 |

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DAILY GUIDE

For Business and Pleasure, November 1931

DATE	MOON	ADVICE
1	15 ☾ 53	Sunday. Write letters, avoid strangers. Safeguard health.
2	29 5	Push business, seek work.
3	12 ☾ 35	Guard against disputes. Visit friends evening.
4	26 25	Act carefully a.m., push business, ask favours afternoon.
5	10 ☿ 35	Guard against deception a.m. Ask favours, visit friends p.m.
6	25 5	Sign papers a.m. Visit friends p.m.
7	9 ☾ 50	Travel early. Avoid strangers and keep quiet p.m.
8	24 47	Sunday. A day for rest and quiet.
9	9 ☿ 47	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties.
10	24 41	Guard against disputes and accidents a.m. Sign papers, make plans, evening.
11	9 ♀ 21	Guard against deception and accidents a.m. Travel late.
12	23 40	Push business, seek work, deal with elders.
13	7 ☿ 32	An uncertain day. Do nothing important.
14	20 57	Safeguard health a.m. Ask favours midday.
15	3 ☿ 55	Sunday. Evil till evening, then visit but safeguard health.
16	16 29	Travel, change, a.m. Ask favours p.m.
17	28 43	An uncertain day. Attend to ordinary duties.
18	10 ☿ 43	A very evil day. Act with discretion in all things.
19	22 34	Doubtful a.m. Ask favours, seek work p.m.
20	4 ☿ 21	Avoid wrangling and disputes.
21	16 8	Travel, change, push business, write letters, visit friends, safeguard health.
22	28 1	Sunday. A disturbing day. Remain quiet.
23	10 ☾ 1	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties.
24	22 11	Avoid losses, safeguard health, guard against disputes.
25	4 ☿ 34	Uncertain a.m. Write letters, guard against deception p.m.
26	17 8	Travel early. Guard against accidents p.m.
27	29 55	An uncertain day. Do nothing important.
28	12 ☾ 54	Safeguard health. Avoid strangers.
29	26 4	Sunday. Write letters a.m., visit friends but guard against accidents p.m.
30	9 ☾ 26	Safeguard health. Travel late.

THE POLITICAL CRISIS

By E. H. BAILEY

Instead of giving an important horoscope this month, I am utilising this page for the purpose of dealing with the serious crisis which has arisen in connection with the political and financial affairs of the country.

In the April, 1931, issue of the JOURNAL, I drew attention to the particularly evil influences operating in the horoscope of the Prime Minister, and made the following observations:

"The meridian has now separated from the sextile of Neptune, and the ascendant from the same aspect of Mars, the two directions which brought our subject to the Premiership in 1929. But Neptune and the radical Meridian are subject to eclipse influence, the lunar eclipse of April 2nd falling in opposition thereto, while the solar eclipse of April 18th falls in exact opposition to his radical Mercury. These are of evil import.

"There is again a solar eclipse on October 11th close to his radical Sun, another on September 12th on his progressed ascendant, and a lunar eclipse on September 26th on the Dragon's Tail. These are equally of evil effect.

"It must, however, be observed that the soli-lunar focal point has now progressed to Capricorn 16.27, nearly in opposition to the radical Mars, ruler of the midheaven, and at the solar eclipse of October 11th, the luminaries, Uranus and Saturn, are in the 17th degrees of the cardinal signs, throwing squares and oppositions to this point. Uranus and Jupiter both afflict this point in May, and Mars at the end of August, Saturn also passing over it earlier in the latter month.

"It remains to be seen how far the transit of Jupiter over the ascendant in August, will counteract the evil transits of the two malefics."

The evil transits in August brought about the crisis, and culminated in the resignation of the Government, but as Jupiter was passing over the ascendant, Mr. MacDonald formed a National Government, and retained his position as Premier, showing that in a certain measure this transit of Jupiter did counteract the evil transits of Mars and Saturn, so far as he was personally concerned.

But there appears to be greater difficulties coming, as shown from the three eclipses of

September 12th and 26th, and October 11th, all of which affect vital points in the Premier's Horoscope, and these are more or less of a personal character, and will affect both health and position.

In the same issue I dealt with the influences arising from the *Neomenia* of new moon of the year, wherein Saturn was exactly on the meridian and Mars on the nadir, and made the following very definite forecast: "This position of Saturn is of evil import to the Government and threatens them with defeat, if not resignation." This has now been well verified, and shows the superiority of the ancient methods, this new Moon of the year being regarded as most important.

Without any reliable information respecting the birthtime of Mr. Stanley Baldwin (3rd August, 1867, Bewdley) it must be pointed out that he is still under adverse directions, the Sun being in opposition to Neptune, so that it is not possible to give any definite forecast as to his probable success in the event of a General Election.

The transit of the planet Uranus through Aries, the ruling sign of this country, and its square to Saturn, have been the primary indications of the serious troubles which have taken place. In addition, the conjunction of Uranus with the Part of Fortune in the map of the Great Mutation, has had a further evil affect on the question of unemployment, and the financial condition of the country.

As to the future—let there be no qualms. Jupiter is now nearing a trine aspect with Uranus. This will help very considerably to benefit the country. The square of Saturn to Uranus last a little while longer, but then Saturn passes completely away from this aspect, while the trine of Jupiter to Uranus will reassert itself in 1932. In the figure for the autumnal equinox, Jupiter is on the cusp of the second house in trine to Uranus, and the Sun will be conjoined with Venus near the nadir. These are indications of a considerable improvement in the financial affairs of the country.

THE KALEIDOSCOPE

By VIVIAN E. ROBSON, B.Sc.

THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AND THE CRISIS.—The formation of a National Government under the leadership of Mr. MacDonald, was announced on 24th August at 5 p.m. (Summer Time), immediately following a New Moon in Aries in the World Horoscope. The figure shows Scorpio 4 on the midheaven and Sagittarius 29 rising. Mars, the ruler of the tenth house, is in its detriment and cadent, though elevated, and is afflicted by the Moon, Venus, and Uranus. It is, however, supported by Jupiter in Leo, which probably indicates the King's timely intervention. The horoscope does not show any elements of stability, but as the Government is an emergency measure, this is not to be expected. Mars meets the square of Saturn in about November, passing to the opposition of Uranus at the end of December, which will probably mark the finish of its activities. There is no question that this Government is up against a difficult task, not so much financially as in holding its own against its opponents. The partnership or association of the political leaders is clearly shown by the position of Mars in Libra, and this alone, especially when the afflictions are considered, does not promise very smooth co-operation. Saturn and the Moon rising, will bring public discontent over the question of the dole, while Uranus in the third threatens trouble through strikes. Fortunately, Fortuna is strong in Taurus, and is very well aspected, so that the main object of averting the financial crisis will be achieved. The horoscope of the solar eclipse on 11th October, shows almost the same cusps. Uranus is in the third house in exact opposition to the eclipse, which falls near the place of Mars in the Government map. Mercury, ruler of the sixth house, is also opposing Uranus, and all these planets are squared by the rising Saturn. There are the elements of serious trouble here, and the indications point to the present leaders of the T.U.C. who, not content with kicking out Mr. MacDonald and Mr. J. H. Thomas, may make things very uncomfortable for the Government. The position of Uranus in the third house afflicting Mercury, ruler of the sixth, distinctly threatens a serious transport strike involving the railways, dockyards, mines and other industries, and throwing the country

into disorder and chaos. Should such a state of affairs eventuate, however, the lawless elements would not stand to gain very much, for Mars in its own sign, Scorpio in the midheaven, would enable the Government to cope with the situation by martial law if necessary, and possibly the establishment of a kind of dictatorship. There are other kinds of crisis besides financial ones, and we are not by any means out of the wood yet. The Stock Exchange horoscope shows Mars opposition midheaven, which may be expected to operate on about 28th October, while the horoscope of the Bank of England shows Saturn conjunction ascendant and Neptune opposition midheaven both measuring to October and November. After the end of this year, however, the prospect looks brighter. At the entry of the Sun into Capricorn, Jupiter rises in Leo, and in the Aries and Cancer maps it occupies the midheaven. These positions should considerably help to restore the financial position of the country, and they warrant the assurance that we shall pull through in the end. The sextile of Jupiter to the Sun by direction in the Bank of England horoscope due in two years' time indicates the final emergence from the financial difficulties.

DUKE OF GLOUCESTER'S ILLNESS.—The influences operating in the horoscope of the Duke of Gloucester during his recent illness and operation for appendicitis afford a very instructive study of directional effects. He was born at Sandringham on 31st March, 1900, at 7h. 25m. 43s., a.m., the horoscope for this time being published in these pages in August, 1928. The midheaven is Capricorn 28.5, and the ascendant Gemini 2.0. The Sun is in Aries 10.8 and the Moon in Aries 16.34, both in the twelfth house; Saturn is in Capricorn 4.53; Jupiter in Sagittarius 10.51; Uranus in Sagittarius 12.24; and Mars in Pisces 23.53. The arc for the date of the operation, 22nd August is 30° 56', which gives a midheaven of Aquarius 29.1, under which the direct ascendant is Cancer 5, in close opposition to Saturn. Conversely, the oblique ascendant is Pisces 22, just separating from the conjunction of Mars. The lunar eclipse of last April fell in Libra 12, opposing the radical Sun from the sixth house. By direction, Jupiter is in Capricorn 11, just

separating from the square of the Sun, and the minor Moon in August was in Gemini 10, where it stimulates the direction by its opposition to the radical Jupiter. The mid-point between the Sun and Moon falls in Aries 13.21. By direction, Uranus at the time of the illness was in Aries 13.20, within one minute of the exact square of this point, while on the day of the operation, Mars passed over Libra 13.20 in opposition to it. Nothing more definite could be obtained than that, and it marks another score for the Radix System. Secondary directions of any importance are conspicuous by their absence, and apart from the angular indications, which, after all, are not secondary at all, they would have failed entirely to trace the cause and progress of the illness.

THE ROYAL ENGAGEMENT.—The announcement during August of the approaching marriage of Lady May Cambridge, the Queen's niece, to Captain H. A. Smith, would appear to fulfil the prediction in Foulsham's *Old Moore's Almanack* of a royal wedding. Lady May Cambridge was born at Esher on 24th January, 1906, at 9.25 a.m. Mars was rising in Pisces in sextile to Jupiter in Taurus, while Uranus, Mercury, the Moon and Venus all occupied the sign Capricorn, and the Sun was in Aquarius on the twelve cusp. The horoscope is not a very fortunate one for either health or general affairs, and is not without some of the elements of tragedy that seem to dog the steps of the younger members of the Royal Family. But fortunately the current directions are good. The midheaven has now reached the sextile of Mars, and the oblique ascendant is in trine to the Moon, while by converse motion it is just leaving the conjunction of Venus. The Sun is in semi-sextile to Venus, and the Moon will come to the conjunction of the radical midheaven at the end of October. This is the approximate date set for the event, but the seriously delaying influences shown in the October eclipse would make it a matter of little astrological surprise if the date of the wedding were postponed, at least until about the 27th November or into December. Captain Smith's horoscope is not known, but from the impending directions in Lady May's chart, next March or July will bring a great change in his position.

PLANETARY NODES.—Interest arises from time to time in regard to the Nodes of the planets, for if the Moon's Nodes exert an influence, as has been abundantly demonstrated

in these pages, it is only reasonable to expect the nodes of the other bodies to do likewise. But up to the present very little success has attended the experiments that have been made for a reason that will be explained. A list of the longitudes of the planetary Nodes has been published several times, but for those who do not know them, the exact positions for January, 1932, are as follows:

Node of Mercury ...	17° 32'	Taurus.
„ „ Venus ...	16 4	Gemini.
„ „ Mars ...	19 2	Taurus.
„ „ Jupiter ...	9 46	Cancer.
„ „ Saturn ...	23 4	Cancer.
„ „ Uranus ...	13 39	Gemini.
„ „ Neptune ...	11 2	Leo.

It should be understood that these longitudes are heliocentric and that their motion is practically negligible. The most quickly moving node is that of Mercury, which advances by about 1° 12' a century, and the slowest is that of Uranus, whose advance is only about 26' a century. It is because all modern writers have given the nodal positions in terms of the heliocentric co-ordinates that no progress has ever been made in their study. The geocentric longitudes, which are, of course, the true ones to use, differ considerably from the above. The geocentric longitudes of the nodes of Mercury and Venus pass right round the Zodiac in a year, and even the node of Mars varies between Aries 6 and Cancer 3. If one uses these longitudes some extremely interesting and illuminating results are obtained. Readers of my book on the Radix System will remember the extreme prominence of Libra 8, the directional position of Mars, in the King's directions at the time of his illness. On the day of his operation, 12th December, 1928, the node of Mars was transiting Aries 8. When King Edward died, the node of Mars was passing over King George's directional ascendant, and the node of Jupiter was opposing his midheaven. When King George was married the nodes of Mercury and Venus were in conjunction in Cancer 3, and that of Mars was passing over the Sun. When Queen Victoria died, the node of Uranus was transiting his ascendant. And so examples might be brought forward indefinitely to prove that the planetary nodes exert an influence whose nature is similar to that of the planets concerned. But it is essential to keep to the proved principles of Astrology and not expect to obtain striking results with heliocentric positions. I hope to say more about this subject in the next issue.

REGENTS OF THE YEARS.—Those interested in the World Horoscope and its branches, may like to know of a very ancient cyclic rulership of the years which so far as I know has never been mentioned in any English work. According to this system, the first year of the Christian era was ruled by Mars, and the succeeding years by the remaining planets in the Chaldean Order. To find the ruler of any year A.D., the simplest method is to divide the year by 7 and note the remainder. If the remainder is 1, the ruler is the Sun; if 2, Venus; if 3, Mercury; if 4, the Moon; if 5, Saturn; if 6, Jupiter; and if there is no remainder the ruler is Mars. Thus 1931 divided by 7, gives a remainder of 6, indicating that it is ruled by Jupiter. For B.C. years, divide the secular year (not the astronomical) by 7, and the rulers will be indicated by the remainders 1 for Mars, 2 Jupiter, 3 Saturn, 4 the Moon, 5 Mercury, 6 Venus, and 0 the Sun. The series appears to have begun with Mars in the sign Cancer, so that the sign position of the Regent of the Year can be found by dividing the year by 12. Remainder 0 will indicate Cancer, 1 Leo, 2 Virgo, and so on. Thus 1931 divided by 12 gives a remainder of 11, indicating that Gemini is the ruling sign, and that the year is therefore under Jupiter in Gemini. There is, however, a suggestion that this application to the year of the Christian era is a later importation, and that the original scheme applied to the Jewish calendar. This seems to me to be extremely probable. The adjustment is quite simple, and merely consists in adding 3760 to the Christian year, and using the result in the same way as the year itself. But it must be remembered that the year begins at the Jewish New Year in September of the previous year. Thus 1931 plus 3760 is 5691. Dividing this figure by 7 leaves a remainder of 0, indicating Mars as the ruler; and dividing by 12 leaves a remainder of 3, indicating Libra as its sign position. Therefore the period from 23rd September, 1930, to 11th September, 1931, comes under the rule of Mars in Libra. This seems rather more appropriate than Jupiter in Gemini. Similarly, by the Hebrew reckoning, the end of the War came under Venus in Libra, which is a much more likely influence than Mars in Taurus, as given by the Christian count. It will be found that the regents differ considerably from those derived by the usual methods of the World Horoscope, though they happen nearly to coincide during the cycle of Mars in Capricorn. A knowledge of these Regents of the Years

is necessary for students engaged in the reconstruction of ancient and mediaeval astrological methods, for they are sometimes mentioned but very rarely explained. That they were considered of importance is shown by the fact that in Benincasa's method for determining lottery numbers, which dates back to 1552, the Regent of the Year is one of the factors employed in determining the number of the second draw.

THE SIGNAL BOX.—With October, we begin the real period of crisis, and the Government are likely to meet with difficulties on the 9th or 10th, when labour threats are to be expected. A serious accident in aviation or transport may also take place at about this time. The solar eclipse of the 11th has already been mentioned above in its relation to Government affairs, but in addition to this it threatens Royalty, and the death of an important member of the Royal Family is to be feared. Mars is on the midheaven in Norway, Denmark, Germany, Switzerland, and N. Italy, where fires, deaths, epidemics, and disturbances are indicated. It falls on the Sun in the horoscope of the King of Italy, on the Moon in ex-King Alfonso's horoscope, and on the nadir in that of King Carol, all of whom may be adversely affected. Many cases of appendicitis are to be expected, as well as an outbreak of smallpox in the Liverpool district. Fires, both accidental and incendiary, will occur. The square of Mars to the Moon on the 17th will mark an important death; while disturbances are indicated for the 25th. A serious earthquake is threatened in Japan either this month or at the beginning of November, and seismic disturbances may also occur in Greece, Bulgaria, and neighbourhood of the Aegean Sea, about the 25th being a likely date.

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NEW LIGHT ON THE PRE-NATAL EPOCH

By E. H. BAILEY.

In view of the recent attacks made upon the epoch by certain young and inexperienced students of astrology, and the inaccurate and untrue statements which have been made concerning this thesis, it is my intention to devote a page of the JOURNAL each month in order to deal with several points which have arisen, on which certain erroneous and absurd comments have been made, due entirely to the lack of knowledge of the elementary factors of the epochal thesis by these inexperienced young people, who seem to think that both Sepharial and myself know nothing about the subject, and that they are the authorities and experts in the epochal developments.

In the first place, I must repeat what I have said both in my books on the Epoch, and in these pages, viz., "It is my express wish for the sake of whatever posterity may read my work, that by whatever independent or original lines my study of the epoch was taken, it be distinctly understood that so far as the actual theory is concerned,—its discovery, basis, laws, rules of calculation and its practical value in relation to Natal Astrology—I do not, with the exception of a few minor points, claim any originality whatever. The entire honour and credit for the discovery of the theory and the elaboration of its principles, belongs to the Astrologer and Orientalist, better known to the astrological world as "Sepharial," in collaboration with "E.S.," scientist and technicologist, and a man of world wide repute—after some years of patient investigation and research, based on data supplied by an obstetric surgeon of wide experience, who fully appreciated the importance of accuracy, and was aware of the uses to which such data would be put."

I would further state that a copy of the Thesis was lodged with the Royal Society of Great Britain, and with the British Museum, and in the first instance the presentation was made by a distinguished Fellow of the Royal Society, Mathematical section, and in the latter instance by Mr. Edward Sonstadt, collaborateur with Prof. Roscoe, of Manchester University, précis writer and analyst of the Chemical Society, and a well-known Chemical discoverer.

In addition to this, not many years ago, a

public test was instituted by Dr. Baldwin, of Birmingham, who supplied the data from his own obstetric practice, and the results of the test were full and conclusive, and completely demonstrated the basis and Laws of the Epochal theory.

In the face of these facts, the attitude and attacks, which have been made by certain students, who have nothing more than a superficial knowledge of the theory, is manifestly impertinent and unwarranted, and is a standing proof of their lack of bona-fides, and sense of respect, in attempting to impugn the intellectual integrity of those more experienced than they are.

I have made these statements, because I have been falsely accused of altering the laws as propounded by Sepharial. This I have never done. The laws of the epoch, including the laws of Sex, the sex degrees and areas are solely the work of my late friend. It is true that the sex degrees were altered in some respects from those published in the Manual of Astrology. This was Sepharial's own alteration, and was subjected to a very close test by our two selves before it was finally settled. It is true also that I gave the orb of the epochal ascendant as $4^{\circ} 17'$ in the first edition of my book, and in the second reduced it to $3^{\circ} 13'$. The first estimate was an error on my part, as the original estimate made by Sepharial was about three degrees. It did not, however, invalidate the original laws.

My own part in the elaboration of the epochal thesis has been a long and tedious one. During the last thirty-eight years of my life, I have tested several thousand cases, apart from these which I have publicly demonstrated in the pages of Astrological Magazines, and never once have I found the laws as laid down in my books to fail. I know in one case, my conclusions were disputed but not on logical or conclusive grounds, no authority being given therefor. It is possible I may take this case as one of the examples to be given later.

It is not my intention to take up space by dealing separately with the various supposititious objections which have been made, as they will be dealt with as I proceed. The majority of these objections I have no intention of dealing with, as they have no direct relation with the principles of the thesis, but are merely vague and absurd personal opinions, arising out of ignorance of facts, and showing that their authors were lacking in a knowledge not only of the elementary principles, but of the actual history of the discovery and development of the thesis itself.

THE NEW RADIX SYSTEM OF DIRECTING

By E. H. BAILEY

During the last two years I have made a number of investigations and experiments in connection with the various forms of progressive directing, in the pages of the JOURNAL, and I am now in a position to give some definite and reliable information in regard thereto.

The Radix system of directing evolved some years since by our late contributor Sepharial, must now take precedence over all forms of progressive directing, and in view of the more definite and reliable indications afforded by this system, I have decided to give in detail the entire rules in a new and more extended form. My recent investigations have led me to certain facts, which I cannot ignore, and these, coupled with the investigations of other students, have distinctly placed this system as the most complete and exact of any yet propounded.

To begin with, it is possible to divide the radix system of directing into two separate parts, one which may be termed zodiacal, because it is connected with the zodiacal progression of the meridian, Ascendant, Sun, Moon and planets, the nodes and Fortuna as well, and the other which may be logically designated as Mundane because it relates to the motion of the radical places of the planets, Nodes and Fortuna from east to west, as the meridian and ascendant progress in the opposite direction.

In the investigations which I have been making, I have been able to differentiate between two different or opposite motions of the planetary bodies, and to co-relate them into one system of direction, the whole being based on the principle of the Radix system. I have been led to this line of thought by certain suggestions in Mr. Robson's work on the subject, and though I do not wholly agree with some of his views, I have been able to re-cast them in the methods which I propose to put forward.

I will deal first with the

ZODIACAL DIRECTIONS.

These are what their name implies, viz. :—

(1) The zodiacal progression of the Meridian, Sun, Moon, Planets and Nodes at the uniform rate of 59' 8" per year.

(2) The progression of the ascendant in accordance with the latitude of the birth place,

taken from the table of houses for the latitude required.

(3) The progression of Fortuna, at the same rate as the ascendant. This means that Fortuna will remain at the same distance from the progressed ascendant as it was from the radical.

These facts have been definitely agreed upon and are the main postulates of the Radix system.

In addition, however, there are two additional forms of progression, viz. :—

(1) The progression of mid-points, to the conjunction of opposition of the meridian, Ascendant, Sun, Moon and Fortuna, and possibly the Nodes.

(2) The progression of the Sun, Moon, Fortuna, and possibly the Nodes to zodiacal points to an equal distance on one side of the meridian or Ascendant and planets are on the other.

The subject of midpoints and their computation has already been given in these pages; and the tables of mean motion have also been published. I do not propose, therefore, to take up space by giving them again. Readers are referred to the various articles on the subject published in the last two volumes.

MUNDANE DIRECTIONS.

These directions are formed by the rotation of the horoscope and are connected solely with the radical places of the planets.

(1) The midpoints are carried round from east to west, until they come to the midheaven and ascendant, or the two opposite points. This is similar to the rapt parallel in Placidian directing.

(2) By the rotation of the radical place one planet from east to west, until it comes to an equal distance on one side of the meridian or ascendant as the radical place of a planet is on the other. This is similar to the Placidian mundane parallel.

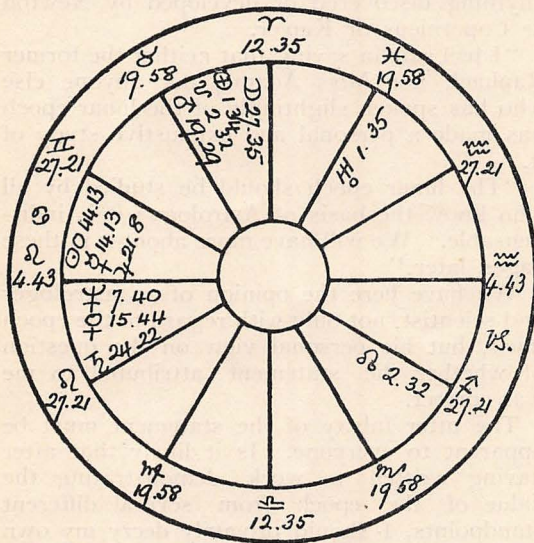
Now I propose to deal separately with each of these different classes of directing in detail.



REMARKABLE HOROSCOPES

A STRANGE FAMILY HISTORY.

Some years ago I received the data of the birth of a two-headed child, and in view of the recent attacks on the epoch, I am using it as an illustration of the validity of the epochal thesis as demonstrated by myself. The following are the particulars as given to me :—



On Monday, June 23rd, 1919, a few minutes before 6.30 a.m. G.M.T., a seven months child with two heads was born at Antwerp. The two heads are well separated from each other, and the radiography shows two spinal columns; otherwise the body is normal and of the female sex. The right head was drawn out firstly by forceps, and the left head followed. The mouth of the left head opened, breathed a sigh, and the child died. This is a most important particularity, for it is an evidence that the child was not dead-born, but died at the first breathing. Doubtless it is a seven months child, because the father was a Belgian soldier and only returned home on November 24th, 1918.

The time of birth corrected by the epochal laws is 6h. 26m. 59s. a.m. G.M.T., the ascendant being Leo 4.43. The only planet in Aries ruling the head is the Moon, placed in the tenth house, trine Saturn, sextile Jupiter, and applying to the sextile of the Sun. The Sun ruler of the ascendant, is in trine with Uranus, and semisquare to Venus. The ascendant is

conjoined with Neptune and in semisquare to Mars. The Sun has a close parallel with Mars. Caput is in the fifth house, in trine with the ascendant, but in square to Uranus.

It must be admitted at once that there is nothing whatever in this horoscope to account for the malformation. Perhaps it will be suggested that as the Sun was conjoined with Pluto, this was the cause, but the conjunction was in Cancer, and this sign does not rule the head.

Examination by the Navamsa sub-division throws no light on the subject, as the sign Aries is not occupied again. It is perfectly clear that the horoscope of birth does not describe the malformation.

The pre-natal epoch of this child took place on November 24th, 1918, at 4h. 13m. 23s. a.m. Libra 27.35 rising, and the Moon in Leo 4.43, the former being female, and the latter male, but in a female quadrant.

In this figure which will be examined in the next issue, the Moon is conjoined with Neptune on the ascendant of the horoscope, Saturn and Uranus are opposed, and Mars and Jupiter are also in opposition. The conjunction of the Moon and Neptune falls on the meridian of the epochal figure, and during the whole of the gestative period, Neptune was close to the radical ascendant and epochal Moon.

In addition to this, there are some very astonishing facts connected with the parental history of this child. The mother was born on January 16th, 1884, at 1 a.m. She had two children in the best conditions. At the end of March, 1912, she was operated on for Hernia, which she had suffered for seven years, during which time she wore a truss. Before this operation the births were normal, afterwards they became abnormal. In September 1914, she gave birth to four children, all girls, viz. :—

1. Thursday, September 24th, at 9.15 p.m.
2. This child was born a few minutes later. Both 1 and 2 lived nearly an hour.
3. The third was born at 9.45 p.m., and died two days later.
4. The fourth was drawn out by surgical intervention, on September 26th, about 3 p.m. The father was born on November 9th, 1884, at 10 a.m.

In the next few issues of the JOURNAL I propose to deal with this remarkable case, both as regards the children and the parents.

I have a photo of the two headed child, but I think it is too repulsive to reproduce in these pages.

THE PRE-NATAL EPOCH

WHAT AN AMERICAN ASTROLOGER WRITES.

The following is taken from the September issue of Wynn's Astrology, the Editor of which is an expert Astrologer and a Ph.D. :—

"An honest difference of opinion is always to be respected; we are all entitled to think things over, check them up, test them in the best way we know, and form at least a temporary conclusion about them.

"But no one has a right to express an opinion of a matter which he has not checked, studied and tested. This applies to astrologers, some of whom should be more tolerant, especially when uninformed.

"Recent issues of the BRITISH JOURNAL OF ASTROLOGY have contained Editor Bailey's just indignation concerning some remarks made by Evangeline Adams about his work in connection with the Pre-Natal Epoch, which Mr. Bailey and Sepharial have so meritoriously developed during the past forty-five years.

"Personally, I did not hear the remark made by Miss Adams, but shortly after she made them, a lady who did hear them reported to me thus :—

"Miss Adams said, 'I recently had an interview with Mr. Bailey in which he said his pre-natal epoch system was incomplete, and that it had not yet been worked out to his satisfaction.'

"Without hesitation I stated that either Miss Adams had not been heard correctly, or she was in error, for I would not believe that Mr. Bailey would say such a thing. I had two reasons for my attitude.

"First. Mr. Bailey's 1916 introduction to 'The Pre-natal Epoch' contains his statement that he was fully prepared to stake his whole astrological reputation on the fact that the pre-natal lunar epoch was not a delusion or fancy, and to stand or fall with it. And in his 1929 edition of the same work, he lets the same line stand exactly as it was written years before!

"Second. The Pre-Natal epoch is all the proof anyone needs to establish the connection between man and the solar system. In addition to its values on the higher planes, it is the soundest demonstration of the physical

connection between the bodies of the celestial sphere and the body of man on this earth.

"More. The tie-up between the lunar epoch and the solar epoch before it, and the horoscope of birth following both is the sort of thing that satisfies any person of scientific habits of mind. If our friends, the purely physical scientists would take up Mr. Bailey's and Sepharial's expositions, they would find nothing to criticize in the epoch sections of their work. In my opinion, Mr. Bailey and Sepharial have developed a scientific law that is the equal of anything discovered or developed by Newton or Copernicus or Kepler.

"I feel safe in saying that neither the former Raphael, nor Miss Adams, nor anyone else who has spoken slightly of the lunar epoch has made a personal and exhaustive study of it.

"The lunar epoch should be studied by all who know the basis of Astrology; it is indispensable. We will have more about it in these pages later."

We have here the opinion of an astrologer and scientist, not only with regard to the epoch itself, but his personal view on the question of whether the statement attributed to me was correct.

The utter falsity of the statement must be apparent to everyone. Is it likely that after having written a work demonstrating the value of the epoch from several different standpoints, I should privately decry my own work, by such a statement that the epoch system was incomplete and that it had not yet been worked out to my satisfaction,

Readers of the JOURNAL would probably be interested to know the secret history which lies behind this attack on myself. It is possible I may give it out to the world.

WEATHER FORECASTS.

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will be very widespread, sunshine small, squally. 29th. A temporary moderation of the gales, but probably renewed generally by evening; still unsettled, with showers to continuous rain over Ireland, Scotland, Wales and N. England. 30th. Heavy rain continuing, gales also, barom. may have risen to 1020 M.B. over S.E. England by evening. 31st. S.W. or W. winds, squally to a gale, with the usual rain, especially over Scotland and N. England, followed by a ridge, becoming finer after thunderstorms in many places, frost is likely inland at night. VILLAGER.

THE PILLARS OF GEMINI

By MARKEON, M.A. (Oxon.)

From 4000 B.C. to 2000 B.C. Egypt was the world's teacher and civiliser. Religion, government and initiation were established for the first time in recorded history, and made their first and imperishable contribution to the advancement of the soul of mankind. All this took place under the Constellation Taurus by precession, in the Taurus land of the Nile, and under the symbolism of the Left-hand pillar of the Bull. The greatest of the national gods was Apis, the white marked bull, whose name has been mentioned in earlier articles of mine. The kings, who were regarded as divine, received their crowns from this god.

In religion the highest moral ideals were set before the people in the most forcible manner. The reality of life after death was unquestioningly accepted as it never was before, and scarcely has been since—as it never was among Jews, Greeks, and the classical world as a whole until the final establishment of Christianity in the Mediterranean world. Moreover, the condition of the soul in the after-world was made explicitly dependant upon the relative proportion of good and evil manifested during the life on earth. The people were taught that their own good actions would bring them peace after death: surely a sound doctrine: and that neither priest nor king could save them from Divine Law.

In comparison with this austere morality, the ecclesiastical systems of early and mediaeval Europe are shoddy and insincere. The fantastic apparatus of confession and priestly absolution, the reception of grace through the sacraments, and no less than these the funny little logic-chopping "creeds" which Reformed Churches have delighted in, a sort of degenerate Pauline philosophising, are inferior in every way to the original and so simple religious teaching of Egypt in the great period.

In religion as in government, one must distinguish the first splendid bloom of truth from the subsequent and apparently inevitable corruption in decadence, which supervenes upon a race which has done its work and has already handed on its torch to the next bearer. Worship of animal gods, a degenerate memory of astrological symbolism, tyranny of the priesthood, the hardheartedness of Pharaoh, all came to be actual. But not until the light

of God's spirit was passing on to the next Chosen People or Peoples. Egypt had never been a democracy in any sense of the term. Democratic institutions are only possible—and difficult even then—when the bulk of the nation is educated and deeply imbued with the sense of political responsibility. Democracy first emerged in the little republics of the Greek Archipelago. But Egypt in the great period, though never democratic, was ruled under a government which confessed a duty to the common man. It was government of the people for the people, though not yet by the people. And in religion, even after some time of decadence, there arose a mightier than all the early kings, one Akhnaton: who in a brief reign, preached the very doctrines of the Nazarene and practiced them so far as he could in his government—who might have heard the very words of the Sermon on the Mount and set about doing them. Everyone interested in Egyptian history ought to read about this king, and Arthur Weigall's entertaining works supply us with a volume ready to hand.

The government of Egypt at its best gave mankind a worthy example of brotherly love. By the kings and priests, the question "Am I my brother's keeper?" was answered as it must always in the end be answered, "Yes." The interested reader may find much palatable information in Winwood Reade's famous historical essay "Martrydom of Man." "There were in theory no limits to the power of the king . . . but as soon as he was crowned he was initiated into the mysteries and subjected to the severe discipline of the holy order . . . he was forbidden to commit any kind of excess . . . he could not punish a single person except in accordance with the code . . . The priests: their power was immense, but it was exercised with justice and discretion: they issued admirable laws, and taught the people to obey them by the example of their own humble self-denying lives. Under the tutelage of these pious and enlightened men, the Egyptians became prosperous and also a highly moral people. The monumental paintings reveal their whole life, but we read in them no brutal or licentious scenes. Their great rivals, the Assyrians, even at a later period, were accustomed to impale and flay alive their prisoners of war. The Egyptians granted honours to those who fought gallantly against them. The penalty for the murder of a slave was death: this law exists without parallel in the dark annals of slavery both of ancient and modern times.

(N.B.—The author is mistaken. In Athens at her greatest period slaves were similarly protected. It was a joke in the comic writers that a citizen had to get off the pavement to make way for a slave. I shall show later how the Greek genius caught up and carried on the work of Egypt under the same pillar of Taurus.) The pardoning power in cases of capital offence was a cherished prerogative of royalty with them, as with us: and with them also, as with us, when a pregnant woman was condemned to death, the execution was postponed until after the birth of the guiltless child. It is a sure criterion of the civilisation of ancient Egypt that the soldiers did not carry arms except on duty, and that the private citizens did not carry them at all. Women were treated with much regard. They were allowed to join their husbands in the sacrifices to the gods: the bodies of man and wife were united in the tomb. When a party was given, the guests were received by the host and hostess seated side by side in a large armchair. In the paintings their mutual affection is portrayed. Their fond manners, their gestures of endearment, the caresses which they lavished on their children, form sweet and touching scenes of domestic life. . . . The Civil laws were administered in such a manner that the poor could have recourse to them as well as the rich. The judges received large salaries that they might be placed above the temptation of bribery."

Space prevents me from quoting more. I hope that my readers will get the book and read it all. It is written by a man passionately eager for the spiritual advancement of mankind, appreciative of the desperate efforts of our forerunners, and instructed in deep symbolism, which the reader may or may not apprehend as he reads.

THE NATIONAL CRISIS AND THE GREAT PYRAMID.—By "Astel."

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election, and if our analogy still holds good, then we should see the Socialists' forces greatly reduced in numbers, making them impotent for further mischief. Pharaoh of old, gathered his forces together and endeavoured to stop the exodus, but we know from the narrative that they were miserably swallowed up by the engulfing waters of the Red Sea. So, by analogy, we ought to see the Socialists' forces routed at the next general election.

REVIEWS OF BOOKS

KOPPENSTATTER'S EPHEMERIS OF PLUTO. A copy of this work has been sent for review. The sole agent in Great Britain is "URAVEN," 111, Ashkirk Drive, Mossspark, Glasgow, and the price is 2s. 3d. post free.

This work gives the approximate longitudes latitudes and declinations of Pluto for every 30 days, from 1840 to 1940, with instructions in German, for finding them for intermediate days.

Personally speaking, I have no belief whatever in the alleged influence of this planet, and I would strongly warn students against accepting the supposititious facts which have been put forward. So far as the ephemeris itself is concerned, the positions can only be approximate, as no really authoritative facts have been given in regard to its astronomical data. It is a very great question whether it is a member of our solar system, and the position of its orbit, varying as it does, raises a very great question as to whether it is a planetary body at all. It has been stated on good authority that the indications of Neptune show no variation, which would be the case did this body exert any great influence on that planet. Another argument to be used against the validity of this, both in astrology, is that during the greater part of its journey, it is outside the zodiacal limits, for when passing through the signs Aries, Taurus and part of Gemini, a conjunction formed with another planet can be as much as 20 degrees apart, owing to the latitude of the planets in conjunction.

A number of vague and impossible assertions have been made respecting the alleged influence of this body, and I would again warn my readers not to accept anything at the present time. It is far too early to lay down definite information with regard to a body, which may or may not have any astrological influence.

Those who desire to obtain copies of the work, should apply to the address given above.

E. H. BAILEY.

BIRTHDAY INFORMATION

(Continued from Page 19.)

30. Changes, journeys, financial gains, little annoyances. A child born will be original and inventive, generous and fairly successful.

31. Success in employ, popularity, but many annoyances. A child born will be impressionable and mediumistic, but unreliable.

THE NATIONAL CRISIS AND THE GREAT PYRAMID

By "ASTEL."

In the May number of the B.J.A. we gave particulars of the change of scale in the Antechamber. The first low passage has a scale of 12 inches to the year, but it immediately changes on entering the Antechamber to 4.1, which continues until the south face of the Granite Leaf is reached, it then changes to 6.66. The first change 4.1 is one tenth of the depth of the Niche in the Queen's Chamber and 6.66 is one hundredth of the number of the beast. (Rev. xiii. 18.)

The length from the first low passage to the south face of the Granite Leaf is 36.5242 P", being one tenth of the days of the solar year, and measured by the scale of 4.1 brings us to October 8th, 1927. From there to the beginning of the first open groove is 3.87 P", which with the scale of 6.66 brings us to May 7th, 1928. The width of the groove is 21.532 P", and with the same scale gives us 31st July, 1931. The first Pilaster is 5.635 P" and gives the date of June 5th, 1932.

Now what has the Great Pyramid to tell us concerning the National Crisis through which we are passing? We have, as the figures above show, just passed the first open groove in the Antechamber, consequently there ought to be some parallel between the events that are past and the groove.

After the War period, which ended on the 8th October, 1927, we entered upon another phase of warfare, the economic phase, which came to a head in May, 1928, for it was in that month that the great depression had its genesis, and has continued with increasing severity up to the present. In July last, Germany got into trouble and caused financial embarrassment in nearly all countries the world over, this was settled on the 23rd at the conference of the seven powers in London. On the 31st July, which was the exact finish of the first open groove, the May Committee on Economy published their report on the economic position in England. It fell on the country like a bolt from the blue, and was the prime cause of the crisis which followed. The impact was so great that the Socialist Government, which had been controlling the destinies of this country since June, 1929, crumbled to pieces, and the Premier, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, rose from the ruins at

the head of a National Government, at the instigation of the King.

The strenuous times through which we have been passing since May, 1928, have been called by Mr. D. Davidson, author of "The Great Pyramid. Its Divine Message," the Economic Bondage analogous to the bondage of Israel when in Egypt, and with this analogy we agree, but we differ from him in the interpretation of the Pyramid date, Mr. Davidson's date of 29th May, 1928, is claimed to be the entrance of the second low passage, and is derived by using a continuous scale of 12 inches to the year, from the great Step to the King's Chamber, but as we have shown in previous articles the scale of 12" is applicable only to the first and second low passages, but in the Antechamber two other scales are used; all the scales, as we have shown, are to be found in the Boss on the Granite Leaf.

This economic bondage came to a climax on the 31st July by the publication of the May Committee's report, and resulted in the formation of the National Government. This is analogous to the bondage of Israel in Egypt, when Moses appeared on the scene to lead them against the government of Egypt, and finally to deliver them from their enslaved condition. This is as far as we have got at the time of writing, the exodus will take place when the new government meets and passes the various necessary measures to put the nation upon a sound foundation again.

Let us carry our analogy a little further. Moses had been brought up from babyhood by the Egyptians as one of their own, and it would not have been surprising if he had looked upon the condition of the Israelites purely from the standpoint of the Egyptians, but he chose rather to answer the call of God to come out and lead his people from their enslavement. Similarly, we have Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, a Socialist all his life, both from inclination and conviction, whose heart yearns to improve the lot of the people, but who, unfortunately, joins an association whose avowed purpose is to destroy the existing state of things and put in their place other conditions which would make the economic bondage permanent, but when the call comes, he, like Moses of old, leaves the old association and boldly comes forth to lead the people out of their economical bondage. A noble heart and a true patriot.

After the New Government have done their work and restored the economic balance, there should be an appeal to the people in a general

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THE IMMENSITY OF ASTROLOGY

By JAMES HARVEY, F.T.S.

From the contemplation of the pictures of the immortal Turner, it is seen that the undoubted aim of the painter's soul was to portray the idea of immensity. In his paintings of "The Landing of the Prince of Orange at Torbay," "The Opening of the Valhalla," "The Gate of Venice," "Ancient Italy," and "Hero and Leander," it is evident; this striving of the artist's spirit to objectify the subjective notion of vastness and its awing aspect. In the first picture mentioned the Prince is a small item, with the boats and ships: but the clouds, the sky and the sea, convey the purpose of the painter's mind. The same in the second, the gods are negligible, in the face of the vast architecture, mountains and ambient. "The Gate of Venice," "Ancient Italy," and "Hero and Leander" immediately impress the mind with this greatness and farness embodied in the colour and the treatment of each theme of the painter's work. The same idea is suggested in the hearing of the music of Wagner in "Lohengrin," "Tannhauser," but in "The Ring of the Niebelung" it is especially felt; the effort of divine genius, endeavouring to fathom the depths of the immortal spirit in man, and pierce the darkness of the secret of the mystery of God. In the overture to "William Tell" comes the idea poignantly and significantly to the inner self, in the whistle of the lonely pipe, amidst the colossal immensity of the Alpine heights. And so it is in all the work of the world of imagination, that we find this ever-attempting to attain the unattainable, to realise the unreliable, to formulate the Infinite; from the mystic and idealist, in their dreams and descriptions of their utopias and places of heavenly peace; to the humble soul who endears the monument, or the stone over the beloved one's grave, unconsciously trying to make tangible in reality, the idea of eternity. And what more penetrating, awing and staggering to the soul of man, in conveying the idea of immensity, than the music of the wind, the glory of the lightning, the roar of the thunder, the fury of the tempest, the dirl of the rain, and the resplendent vesture of the starry heaven of night. This idea is apparent in everything, from the contemplation of the tiny speck of dust, that whirls in the vortex of the breeze, to the

planets and mighty suns that move in the immeasurable space of the universe and God.

In the study of Astrology, the further one goes, the more this idea is brought home to the student's mind: the infinite sea of stars governing this revolving sphere, and influencing the mortals who are existing on its surface. It is a grand thought this, in its great effect upon the soul, opening up the avenues of the spirit to the wisdom of the Absolute and the meaning of the infinite panorama of the objective universe. And this immensity exists in the theme of the ancient lore of the stars, as all disciples of the art know and realise to the fulness of human understanding. In the twelve zodiac signs they have twelve types, in the decanates they have thirty-six, in every degree of the circle of the Creator they have three hundred and sixty types; and by the further division of what is known as the Indian Division of six minutes of each degree, they have three thousand, six hundred types. And this by the purely zodiacal types, these types varying ad infinitum in the colossal and incomprehensible motion of the planets in the boundless arena of God. The realisation of the immensity of the science does not come to all, owing to the fact that each looks at it from a different aspect. There is the learned astrologer, who knows a lot about the theme, and can discourse learnedly thereon, but cannot do anything practical in the science. Then there is the educated astrologer, who knows the work thoroughly, and metes out sound advice and analysis of a true, consistent and reliable nature, and to whom the erudite aspect of the art does not appeal. In company with these two is the astrologer who, in conjunction with the learning and education, has the wonderful power of wisdom and intuition. And so from this standpoint, it is seen that the immensity of the science comes, appeals and appears to each one in a different way. One may be learned and not educated, and one may be educated and not learned, and one may be both learned and educated, and yet lacking wisdom.

(To be continued.)

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ON THINKING UNIVERSALLY

By JOHN L. GILLINGTON

It always seems to me a pity that when young people are inclined to take an intelligent interest in the stars, they should be given an altogether wrong notion of things celestial, which afterwards they will have to unlearn when more advanced knowledge is sought.

For instance, if you take up almost any book on the stars, designed as a first course for the budding astronomer, you will find that he is asked to believe that the Earth and Moon, and all the other planets and their moons turn on their axes and travel in their orbits round the Sun, but that our luminary and all the stars are fixed points in the heavens, and with regard to us and to one another always maintain the same relative position in space. Then, in a work for older students, we find exactly the opposite to this latter statement is taught. That in fact, so far from being fixed in space like fruit in a plum-duff, our own particular star—the Sun—is dragging us and the whole Solar System along at a violent pace. That, together we all travel onward at over twelve miles a second, leaving behind us like the eddies in a ship's wake, the whirls and convolutions of past orbits. And we learn that this is comparatively slow progress; for in the case of the other stars which we were told before were fixed, there are changing their positions with regard to us and to each other at a prodigious rate.

We read now of star groups travelling at 185 miles in one second. That we are making towards Vega, and that (most alarming of all among many hair-raising happenings) Arcturus is coming right in our direction at forty-seven miles per second.

So every morning when we see the sun rise (if we do!) we are a million miles further on since yesterday, while Arcturus is four million miles nearer us!

Perhaps this is why Arcturus is of all the stars the steadiest, twinkling so little he looks like a planet. We see the star "end on" so to speak, and overhauling us fast. Doubtless he has out ahead of him a few million miles more or so, like torpedo-boats, destroyers and cruisers, a crowd of asteroids, planets, moons and so forth which at some time or another will heave in sight.

This projectile, shot at us out of space with a velocity compared with which a rifle bullet would be stationary, is, if you please, a "fixed star"!

As our leading astronomers tell us all these astounding statements are true, surely we ought—all of us, young and old—to adopt quite a different outlook, not only on the stars but on life generally.

This is why it seems to me so lamentable and unwise not to give children a notion as to how things really are at the outset, instead of letting them know the real truth about the matter too late, perhaps, for them to mould their thoughts and characters thereto. If at the moment, life seems a dull, uneventful thing to some, yet let them remember that we on the earth, like all the rest of the Universe, are bound on an adventure *ad astra*, the result of which cannot yet be predicted, but which, at some time or other (though not perhaps today or to-morrow or the day after) must reach some climax involving a change and deviation from the ordinary cosmical routine which we are accustomed to follow. I feel sure it would be—it is—a help to look at things generally from this point of view—especially as our wise men tell us that it is the correct one.

Another thing which interferes with our right understanding of things, according to my way of thinking, is the foolish habit (one can call it nothing else) of teaching children to know the stars by names and events of debased and immoral Heathen Mythology, instead of by the vastly more ancient and beautiful names by which they are known of old.

It pleases me to note that sailors, who from the very earliest times have steered their way by the brighter stars, prefer to know them still by those ancient Eastern names, even though some of these are somewhat difficult to pronounce and to spell, and so in the course of ages have rather altered in form, making their original meaning obscure.

And so the Astronomical Almanacks compiled specially for sea use have named thus all the bright stars used in navigation except just a few. The Official Nautical Almanack has but 25 of these names, but Brown's and Pearson's Almanacks give about 60.

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THE PHILOSOPHY OF ASTROLOGY

By E. W. WHITMAN.

Any Philosophy to be worthy of its name should be a means of imparting knowledge and understanding to its students enabling them to improve upon their past condition of life, broadening their outlook and stimulating their desire to acquire further knowledge of the why and wherefore of things.

The study of Astrology is pre-eminently a study that brings an understanding of life in all its phases, and this implies a viewing of the various exigencies of life in a real philosophical manner. The position of the Heavenly Bodies at the time of our birth show us with unmistakable clearness our weakness and our strength, our possibilities and our limitations, and with this knowledge we should never doubt our ability to be able to make progress and to show a substantial "balance in hand" when the Profit and Loss Account of our life is made up at the close of this incarnation.

Whilst Fear is a tremendous barrier, Doubt is but one step removed, and is oftentimes the obstacle preventing the progress and manifestation of very fine qualities and abilities that are within all of us. The overcoming of Doubt and the building up of Confidence, that confidence which is felt within as well as expressed without can be made possible by the proper understanding of our own horoscope of birth. Even though there are squares and oppositions and the apparent adverse aspects seem to outweigh the benefic ones it is quite possible to utilise these very aspects in the march of progress and in the assimilation of knowledge. "KNOWLEDGE IS POWER" therefore the more we know of ourselves the better equipped we are for our fight in life, and what would life be if it were not for the fight and the struggle? It is only those who have experienced sorrow, disillusion and suffering who can enjoy to the full the happiness, realisation and pleasure that accompanies a task successfully accomplished, a battle won and apparent defeat turned into victory.

To do this, however, all negative thoughts, feelings and emotions must be gradually eliminated and replaced with those of a positive, constructive and helpful nature.

Each planetary vibration has its adverse and its benefic ray, and there is no reason why, even

though there appears to be an overplus of the adverse ray in any particular case that it should bring despondency, doubt and lack of success.

All of us are here for some definite and specific purpose. We can be fully assured of that, otherwise there would be no reason for our incarnation in the present form. In the first place we are here as a manifestation of the principle of Life, hence we should live our life to the best of our ability, seek to express the life energy that is within us and be thankful for the opportunity to do so. Never on any account should we be sorry for the fact that we are alive or regret the fact that we have been born. To do so would be to imply that the Intelligence back of all Creation has made a mistake, and that is unthinkable.

We should seek to make the most of life, to live it to its fullest extent and even when passing through tribulation to realise that we are learning some small portion of what is contained in life.

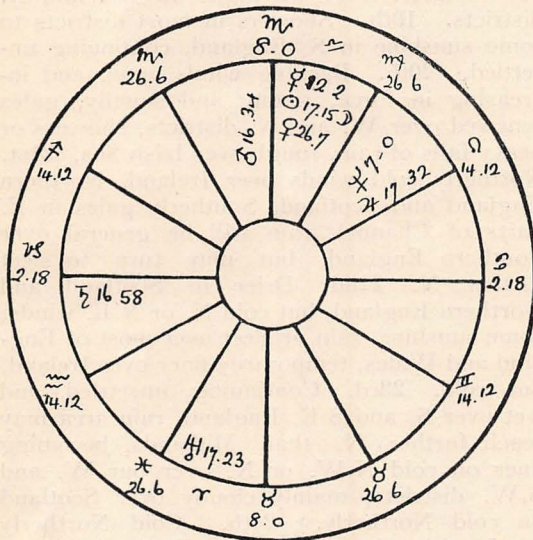
By so doing we open up for ourselves a wider vista and know that we have potentialities within our being not dreamed of. Having advanced to this stage by reflection and meditation, if we again look at our horoscopes and analyse them into two portions by means of the various aspects, we can obtain an understanding of the point of evolution we are at.

The separating aspects show what we have done in the past, where we have advanced and where we have failed, whilst the applying aspects denote the opportunities and the hindrances which are going to bring us further experience in this life. The chief significators to consider in these respects are the Sun, Moon, the planet Mercury, the Ascendant and the Mid-Heaven. The Sun representing the Internal or Individual Aspirations, the Moon the Personal or External Expression, Mercury the Mental Capacity and Understanding, the Ascendant the Temperamental side of affairs, and the Mid-Heaven the Material side. Separating adverse aspects show where have been the chief struggles and difficulties of the past, which have to be rectified and transmuted during this life. Separating benefic aspects denote the triumphs and progress of the past from which we derive benefit in this life.

Applying adverse aspects indicate the tests of fortitude, endurance and character to be undergone during this life, whilst applying benefic aspects reveal where we can make progress with the least difficulty, as well as incorporating further sterling traits into our character.

MUNDANE ASTROLOGY

The new Moon of October 11th, which takes place just after one p.m. is a solar eclipse of considerable dimensions, nine-tenths of the Sun's disk being eclipsed. It is not visible in this country, the southern part of S. America down to the South Pole being the only parts of the world where it will be seen. Its influence in this country will not be so very severe, but as a new Moon it is very adverse. The map appended is drawn for London at the time of the new Moon.



The luminaries are conjoined in Libra in the ninth house in square to Saturn, and opposition to Uranus, but in sextile to Jupiter, conjoined with Mercury, and not very far from Venus. An eclipse falling in the second decan of Libra is said by the ancients to portend the death of a great King, and cause sedition and famine. It is fortunate that the luminaries are elevated, and that Venus the ruler of the eclipse is dignified and free from affliction. But for this, the eclipse would be very baneful.

Saturn rising, although afflicted by the luminaries and Uranus, has a close sextile with Mars in the midheaven, showing that while there will be much depression of trade, the people and the rulers will be in accord. The position of Uranus threatens railway strikes, and accidents in travelling, both by air and land. Venus, ruler of the fourth, promises a fair autumn, with more sunshine. This planet is favourable for the younger generation, and

for theatrical ventures. The affliction of Mercury, ruler of the sixth, is not good for the workers, and much discontent will be shown in the national services. The Moon, ruler of the seventh, also afflicted, is not reassuring for international relations. The position of Jupiter, ruler of the eighth house, in square to Mars, denotes the demise of noted people, lawyers, divines and judges. Trouble is shown in shipping circles. The elevated position of Mars threatens serious difficulties to Government, who will find their task one which will tax their powers to the utmost, but as Mars is dignified and has a sextile with Saturn, success will attend their efforts.

The culmination of Mars in Western Europe is evil for governments, and points to financial disasters and bank smashes. The eclipse falls on the lower meridian in the Pacific, denoting storms and seismic troubles. Violent storms are threatened in the eastern Atlantic, where the eclipse will culminate and Uranus will be on the nadir. The Argentine Republic will feel the effects of this eclipse severely.

PARTIAL ECLIPSE OF THE SUN.

There is a very small partial eclipse of the Sun on September 12th, at 4.26 a.m., visible over Alaska and Bering Straits. The lunation has Mercury and Neptune exactly on the ascendant at London, denoting much Communist propaganda among the people. Railway accidents are likely. The luminaries conjoined with Venus and in trine to Saturn will have a beneficial effect on the country, and the action of the Government will do much to restore confidence. Earthquake shocks are threatened in 71 W. Longitude.

TOTAL ECLIPSE OF THE MOON.

This takes place on September 26th, at 7.45 p.m., and falls in the first decan of Aries, and according to the ancients, denotes fevers, incendiarism, firing of woods and forests and dryness of air. It falls on the cusp of the twelfth house, which denotes much crime and trouble in prisons. The eclipse culminates in 64 E. Long, and is on the nadir of 116 W. Seismic troubles are threatened in these parts. Mars in the sixth house threatens troubles in labour, and also denotes the outbreak of infectious disease. It points to many serious troubles in this country.



Weather Forecasts

OCTOBER, 1931.

1st. Rain will be general over all U.K., even S.E. England may have some rain or light showers. S. to S.W. winds, temperature continuing high for season. 2nd. Winds have become strong to a gale on Irish coast, Southerly winds and freshening over most of U.K., rain general in all areas, temperatures continuing high for season. 3rd. Rather cooler in S. with a veer of wind to Westerly, and a tendency for thunder round about Channel, rain will not be heavy in S., but further W. and N. continuing unsettled, cloudy and warm. 4th. Cold Northerly winds will become general, being gale force over Ireland, after early rain in most parts of Scotland and N. England, becoming fairer but cloudy, round about Channel showers are likely, Ireland improving. 5th. Sunshine small generally, slight showers locally, maybe snow showers in parts of Scotland, colder. 6th. Gradient slight over these islands, with much mist or fog over S. half of U.K., strong to a gale off N. and N.E. Scotland, from N. to N.W., cloudy generally over England and Wales, but sleet showers are possible over Scotland. 7th. Becoming very threatening over S. half of England, though rain may hold off until later, other parts of U.K. may keep fair or fine, sunshine small, some rain over N. Scotland later. 8th. Rain will be general over all U.K., very heavy in parts, considerable fog also, a cheerless day. 9th. A S.W. or S. gale will be blowing in our S.W. districts and S. Ireland, rain will be general, with thunderstorms in E. Anglia, where wind will be extraordinarily violent, the tornado like winds will probably move towards the Dogger Bank. 10th. Rain will be general, heavy in most districts, our E. districts may have another miniature tornado, gale force from S. or S.E. at mouth of Channel, where sea is rough. B.E. 11th. Continuing mild and unsettled, with rain general, Easterly over Britain, but probably Northerly over W. Ireland. 12th. Floods are likely in Central England, temporary veer of wind to N.W. S. or S.W. winds generally, rain at nearly all stations, gale force about Channel. 13th. S.W. or W. winds in all parts, showers will be general, but a respite from late experiences, and not as mild. 14th. Gales from S.W. or

S. over all parts, extremely violent over Ireland, heavy rainfall, unsettled but mild. 15th. Rain general in all parts, heaviest in W. districts, a line squall will probably move E. across country during day, causing a brief gale, mild for season. 16th. Squally Westerly in W. districts, more S.W. further N., showers are likely, but some sunshine in S. parts of U.K. 17th. Low over our W. districts, unsettled with rain, heavy in hilly districts, severe S.W. or S. gales over greater part of Ireland and Britain. 18th. Winds will veer more towards Westerly, except in W. Scotland, where Northerly, rain again general, gales still continuing, with perhaps thunderstorms later, frost at night in W. and N. districts. 19th. Showers in most districts to some sunshine in S. England, continuing unsettled. 20th. Backing winds again and increasing in force, strong and squally, gales renewed over W. and N. districts, showers or heavy falls of rain, rough over Irish Sea. 21st. Northerly cold winds over Ireland, Northern England and Scotland, Southerly gales in E. parts of Channel, rain will be general over Southern England, but may turn to sleet further N. 22nd. Drier in Scotland and Northern England, but cold N. or N.E. winds, some sunshine, rain or sleet over most of England and Wales, temporarily finer over Ireland, but cold. 23rd. Continuing unsettled and wet over S. and S.E. England, rain area may reach further N. than Midlands, becoming finer on cold N.W. or N. over our W. and S.W. districts, mainly cloudy over Scotland on cold Northerly. 24th. Cold Northerly winds with rain or sleet over England, especially Eastern districts, and also Scotland, strong to a gale generally, more so on our Atlantic seaboard. 25th. Winds very varied in direction, showers of cold rain or sleet are still likely in our Eastern districts, but mainly cloudy over Western parts, Ireland may have most sunshine, N.E. over N. Scotland. 26th. Westerly in Channel with local showers, a ridge is crossing our area, Southerly winds becoming general further N. and W., where showers will become general, strong Southerly over North Sea. 27th. Strong S.W. in N. to W. in S. of U.K., may reach gale force in exposed places, rain or heavy showers in all parts of U.K., mild to colder later. Reports will be coming through of blizzards from E. Canada and E. of U.S.A. 28th. Westerly gales over most of U.K., especially Western area where they will be severe, rain or showers,

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Birthday Information for October, 1931

1. Business and social gains, indisposition, many annoyances. A child born will be clever, industrious, artistic, but diffident, and have many troubles to face.
2. Business, social and financial gains, success in employ, danger of deception. A child born will be clever, affectionate, generous and successful, but will suffer from duplicity.
3. Changes, journeys, scandal. A child born will be original and intuitive, but hasty and untruthful.
4. Trouble in employ, and through the opposite sex. New work and activity. A child born will be proud, but energetic and meet with much trouble in love.
5. Indisposition, reverses, disappointments. A child born will be erratic, careless, unsuccessful in love, and meet with many troubles.
6. Business gains, changes, indisposition. A child born will be clever, industrious, but have much to contend against.
7. Success in employ, financial gains, changes, journeys, social benefits, danger of disputes. A child born will be popular, generous, affectionate, original, but rash and hasty.
8. Danger of law, disputes and deception. A child born will be hasty and extravagant, unreliable, and deceptive.
9. Social gains, new work, recognition, danger of deceit and reverses. A child born will be affectionate and enterprising, steady, and reliable, but will have ups and downs in life.
10. Business gains and changes, heavy reverses. A child born will be erratic and wayward, but clever and intelligent.
11. Indisposition, bereavement, reverses, social and financial gains. An important year. A child born will be generous, affectionate, but erratic; will meet with many reverses, have serious difficulties to face, but will have good friends to look to.
12. Courtship or marriage, financial gains new undertakings. A child born will be affectionate and generous, industrious and enterprising.
13. Recognition, danger of disputes, law and losses. A child born will be trustworthy, but rash and extravagant, and often involved in difficulties.
14. Worry, scandal, adverse criticism, much trouble and annoyance. A child born will be erratic, wayward, exacting, unreliable, and have a very difficult path to tread.
15. Business gains, changes, journeys, financial success, benefits in employ. A child born will be clever, popular, generous, original and inventive, and be very successful.
16. Social gains, little upsets and annoyances. A child born will be affectionate, but erratic and unreliable.
17. Indisposition, reverses and annoyances, new friends. A child born will be impressionable, but erratic and have many difficulties to meet.
18. Activity, new work, trouble in employ, danger of scandal. A child born will be energetic, but proud, untruthful and unreliable.
19. Disappointments and indisposition. A child born will be careless, unreliable, and have much to contend with.
20. Business gains, changes and journeys, danger of disputes, losses and accidents. A child born will be clever, original and inventive, very hasty and extravagant.
21. Business, social and financial gains, deception and annoyances. A child born will be clever, generous, popular, and affectionate, somewhat unreliable, but generally successful.
22. Social gains and recognition, success in employ, danger of deception, and many annoyances. A child born will be affectionate and trustworthy, popular, but erratic and wayward.
23. Activity, new work, disappointments. A child born will be enterprising and energetic, but careless.
24. Reverses and many annoyances. A child born will be hasty and erratic and unsuccessful.
25. Financial gains, reverses, indisposition, deception and worry. A child born will be generous, but erratic, wayward, unreliable and have much trouble in life.
26. Business, social and financial gains, trouble in employ. A child born will be clever, industrious, affectionate, but proud and haughty.
27. Recognition, disappointments, scandal and disputes. A child born will be careless, untruthful, hasty and erratic, but will be fond of responsibility.
28. Financial losses, indisposition, disputes and annoyances. A child born will be clever, but hasty, extravagant and have much to contend against in life.
29. Deception, intrigue and annoyances. A child born will be erratic and unreliable, and have little success.

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THE BRITISH INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL ASTROLOGY AND METAPHYSICAL SCIENCE, Incorporated under the Companies Act, 1929.

THE AUTUMN SESSION.

The Autumn Session of the Institute will commence on Thursday, September 24th, at 8 p.m., at the Plane Tree Restaurant, 106, Great Russell Street, W.C.2. Some important matters are to be put before the Members, and a special announcement will be made regarding the constitution and objects of the Institute. It is necessary that all members should be present. An address will be given at the conclusion of the business meeting. A report of the Meeting will be given in the next issue.

An announcement as to the October meetings appears at the foot of this page.

WHAT THE INSTITUTE IS.

The British Institute is a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1929. It has no share Capital, and the directors receive no remuneration for their services. All work is done voluntarily, and the only actual payments made are a nominal fee to the class teachers to cover railway fares and the cost of preparing lessons, and an occasional fee to a Lecturer, when a long railway journey has to be undertaken. It is being run on exactly the same lines as the British Astrological Society, and the published statements of Receipts and Expenditure of that body are definite proofs of the non-existence of salaried officials.

THE OBJECTS OF THE INSTITUTE.

The objects of the Institute are many and varied. They include instruction in all branches of the science, from the elementary to the higher and more advanced sections. Classes are arranged at the London Headquarters, on each Thursday evening during each session, and it may be possible to organise further classes on other evenings as time goes on. Lectures are also given on the Thursday evenings, and occasional debates and symposiums are also arranged.

As soon as suitable headquarters can be obtained, the library will be re-opened. It is probably the largest Astrological Library in this country, and will contain, when completed, nearly 500 volumes, including many of the old works on the science, all the modern standard textbooks, and a miscellaneous assortment of occult literature of great value.

Plans are being prepared for a progressive movement during the remainder of the year, and the support and co-operation of all students, particularly of those in London, is earnestly requested. The success of the Institute depends in a very great measure to the attitude of astrological students, and if they are really bona-fide I feel certain that my appeal will not be in vain.

AN APPEAL TO LONDON STUDENTS.

The Headquarters of the Institute must remain in London. This is an obvious necessity, and it is to London Students that I look for assistance in extending and developing the Institute. I make a direct appeal to astrological students in London to become members of the Institute, and take an active part in the work which is being, and can be done with their assistance. It is to their own interest to join up; it is to their own gain mentally and astrologically to associate themselves with those who are working to obtain the full recognition of the science; it will be to their own moral and material benefits to come in closer touch with the science, and thus extend their own knowledge for the development of their minds and characters. The gain is wholly to those who join with a bona-fide object.

The annual subscription is only Five Shillings, but as a special inducement to new members, a subscription paid during the remainder of this year, will cover membership to the 31st December, 1932.

MEETINGS FOR OCTOBER.

Lectures will be given at 8.15 p.m. at the Plane Tree Restaurant, 106, Great Russell Street, W.C., as follows:—

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| Oct. | 1st. | The Autumn Eclipses. Mr. E. H. Bailey. |
| „ | 8th. | The Value of Malefics in the Horoscope. Mr. D. Freedman. |
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