

love that all children bring a kindly smile to her face and an outpouring of love and care.

Serving really means doing that which is nearest at hand to the best of our ability, and in a spirit of doing unto another. It is true we cannot all be teachers, doctors, nurses, or of such profession as will give constant opportunity for the doing unto others, but whether we are clerk in a store or an engineer at the throttle of a fast express, we are servants, inasmuch as our fellows are dependent upon us for our particular bit. It is the spirit in which we serve which determines our growth. If the clerk exhibits a suit or hat in a courteous manner and makes every effort to fulfill the needs of the customer, not because of the material recompense, but because the customer is dependent upon his judgment and fairness to receive the best obtainable, this clerk serves both God and man. Be the act however small, it is as pleasing in the sight of God if the spirit prompting the deed is a spirit of doing unto others.

For the aspirant seeking to unfold latent potentialities, the need of service is keenly felt and every aspirant endeavors faithfully to forget himself and be the servant of all men. There is a force which can be used by all to serve others and in this force is the unfolding of all latent powers possible; also, by the use of this force our fellow beings are benefited. I refer to thought force.

We learn from the *Cosmo* that thought forms are within and are being continually projected upon the desire body in an endeavor to arouse feeling which will lead to action and that reason ought to rule the lower nature and leave the higher self scope for the expression of its divine proclivities. We also know that habitual thought has the power to mold physical matter, for the nature of the sensualist is plainly discernable upon his features, which are coarse and gross, as the features of the spiritual minded are delicate and fine.

The power of thought is still greater in its potency to mold the finer vestures. Thoughts of fear and worry congeal the desire body of anyone who indulges in that habit and it is equally certain that by cultivating a happy, optimistic frame of mind under all circumstances we can attune our desire

bodies to any key we wish, and after a time that will become a habit, though it must be confessed that it is much more difficult to hold the desire body down to definite lines, but it can be done and the attempt must be made by all who aspire to spiritual advancement.

By the foregoing it will be perceived that thoughts are things, and knowing the power of thought we become stewards of our thought forces and as we use them for good or evil, for self or others, we merit a corresponding reward. As we sow we reap, and the thought form sent out returns to the originator, bringing the record of the journey—its success or failure—and is imprinted upon the negative atoms of the reflecting ether of its creator's vital body, where it forms that part of the record of the thinker's life and action which is sometimes called the sub-conscious mind.

It is also noted that the power of thought lies in repetition. Habitual thought has power to change even physical matter.

Possessing a force which needs only control and sufficient intensity to become dynamic, it becomes evident that we are required to account for our use of it. Either the development of thought force is dormant or grows, becoming good or evil, according to our will. To unfold the dynamic potentialities requires constant effort, and so with thought force, which is a potentiality, constant effort and sufficient intensity and purpose are needed to gather scattered thought forces and mold a vibrating form potent with dynamic energy and capable of doing the will of the creator.

By sending thoughts of hope and cheer to others we not only surround them with promptings of good will but through repetition are able to establish a bond whereby our thoughts are received and acted upon. The healing power of thought gives vast opportunity for service through the sending of thought forms vibrant with divine healing power.

Thought force must be concentrated and controlled. There must be intensity and great power back of the thought form projected.

Loving thoughts constantly going out on errands of God's service in time become dynamic and are at our command to use for others. The

return of these forms will so increase the radiance of our auras as to attract the Great Ones and with this power we are channels for their great work, and by using our thought forces to uplift others we uplift ourselves, for through love and sympathy we so radiate God's light that our very presence becomes a living testimony of Our Father.

*Let us not waste our time in longing
For bright but impossible things.
Let us not sit supinely waiting
For the sprouting of angel wings.
Let us not scorn to be rush-lights,
Everyone cannot be a star,
But let us fill every day our mission
By shining just where we are.*

*There is need of the tiniest candle
As well as the garish sun;
And the humblest deed is ennobled
When it is worthily done.
We may never be called on to brighten
Those darkened regions afar,
So let us fill every day our mission
By shining just where we are.*

“THE SPEEDING OF A THOUGHT”

*“He sought for others the good he desired
for himself. Let him pass on.”*

Egyptian “Vale” for the dead. 1600 B. C.

Agnes Cook

From the Logos at the heart of the universe there sped a beam of light—it was a thought of love—I watched its lightning-like flash through the worlds: heavenly, mental, desire and physical, and this is what I saw.

The dwellers in Heaven, already enjoying the rhapsody of a great Love felt its presence and a cry went up “Glory to God in the highest.”

And it touched the dwellers in the world of Intellect, and called new powers into their being, and great thought-waves took on a rosy tinge as minds once more bent themselves to services of love in the cause of Humanity's uplift.

As the starry abode of our radiant soul bodies was lit up by its sword-like flame, I saw each member enveloped in a glow, the dull colors of the

lower passions were consumed in its fires, and then—Human Love became angelic and desire burnt at white heat to serve the Great Brotherhood.

Finally, now split up as in a prism, the flame of a Divine Thought enveloped in radiance the earth-dwellers, according to their several paths.

Thus—the disciples of Devotion became a focus for vapors of glorious blue-green; those of the mystic ray taking a share of Heaven's Azure.

Artists and musicians, reveling in beauty, received a baptism of rosy red flames—each one an inspiration.

And I could see many philosophers and seekers in cloister, laboratory, or library, solitarily pursuing an everlasting quest, and these seemed to be in the direct ray of sunshine caused by the Yellow vibration, and with songs of hope in their hearts, they bent once more to their several tasks.

Others of god-like radiance in whom I could discern those on the “way of the cross,” were hewing out paths for weaker brethren through endless forest tangles, some of them finding precarious and painful foothold on precipitous cliffs, and these looked up in ecstasy as a fountain of Violet spray descended upon their bleeding brows, a baptism of Divine Fire.

And they began to sing, and the burden of the song was of a glorious future, yet not a future but a condition in which time, space, past, present and to come were all one, when all will live in the eternal Now—gathering and harvesting experiences of love and service to a great brotherhood which includes the lowliest herb and meanest insect, and stretches far away into the heart of the Universe where dwells the Logos—The Spirit of Love.

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The Astral Ray

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Geo. T. Weaver

Esoteric Astrology

THE SIGN ARIES

IN the annual course of the Sun about the Earth (viewed from the standpoint of the Earth), the Sun enters the sign Aries March 21st, and leaves it for the following sign April 20th. All persons born during this period are said to be born in the sign Aries. This is said to be their sign of nativity, and to express their individuality. Those born while Aries is rising in the eastern horizon in the daily course of the Sun about the Earth, are said to be Aries personalities. (For definitions of individuality and personality see the June number of this magazine.)

The First Sign. By common consent Aries is said to be the first sign of the zodiac. This is, and always will be, true, whatever be the constellation overshadowing at the time. The constellations, though called fixed stars, are only apparently such, for by the law of the Precession of the Equinoxes, they are moving through space with marvelous rapidity, but because of their vast distance from us, they seem to be stationary. Because of this they are constantly, though very slowly, shifting their relative aspect with the signs. It requires something over two thousand years for any one constellation to transit a single sign, and with each such transit, a constellation is thrown farther and farther out of harmony with its corresponding mundane sign. It will require about

25,000 years for a constellation, having left its corresponding sign, to get back to its former place. Aries, then, always represents the first sign.

Various reasons have been assigned for this; one is that Aries rules the upper portion of the head, the seat of the brain, and all thinking, or beginning of forms, spring from the brain. Another reason is that Aries is the sign symbolized by the ram, the animal who butts his way into any position he may wish to occupy. The letters composing the word RAM are the initial letters of "Right Ascension Meridian," meaning the point where the stars culminate. But the chief reason, perhaps, is seen in the fact that, in the northern hemisphere, the period embracing Aries is the beginning of the spring-time of the year, when all vegetation is rising out of its long winter slumber into a new life, a veritable resurrection from the dead. By the ancient Hebrews this period was chosen as the beginning of the new year, and is yet the beginning of their religious year. Being the first sign, Aries naturally represents all beginnings of whatever kind, and on all planes; and it is true of all people born during this period that they are pioneers in every particular of thought, and as settlers of a new country. This also is true of the cosmic Deity as well as of man. As the Creator of our solar system, God is an Aries character.

Esoteric Astrologers declare that the three first signs, Aries, Taurus and Gemini, are archetypal; thought is the beginning of all processes, and Aries is the initiatory sign of the archaic. Of these signs Aries, a masculine, fiery, and movable sign, represents the Divine Fatherhood, the possessor of the fiery germ or the conceptive principle, whether on the thought plane or the plane of ordinary generation. Taurus, a feminine, earthy, and fixed sign, represents the Divine Motherhood, the receptacle of the vital germ, which sets into activity the gestative process. Gemini, a masculine-feminine, airy, and common sign, represents the Divine offspring. Aries, then, is the beginning of differentiation, or polarization. On the archetypal plane the three signs represent Infinite Will, Infinite Love, and Infinite Wisdom, respectively, or the Oriental **AUM**. This is the plane of the Absolute or the unmanifest, the plane of the synthetic all, and from which the all is eternally proceeding. **A** contains the essence of the Will as a constructive force which is eternally at work; **U** is the great principle of Love, or of centralization and preservation; **M** stands for Wisdom or the principle of disintegration, but for the purpose of reconstruction on a higher plane. Will stands for the divine principle of pure spirit, which, as yet, is beyond the comprehension of mortals. Love is the vehicle for the conveyance of spirit, also difficult to understand. Wisdom or mind gives us glimpses of spirit-love by directing our thought to the highest and purest state of mind that the true man is capable of. It is in these three principles that our immortal part is contained, and from them is drawn the essence which constitutes our Natal Star.

All beginnings, representing new life, represent also strength, for life is strength or force. Thus the patriarch Jacob, or Israel, when dying, blessed his twelve sons, himself representing the Sun among them, and they the twelve signs. Referring to Reuben, the eldest of his sons, he said, "Reuben, thou art my firstborn, my might and the beginning of strength." (Gen 49:3) We observe this strength in the sprouting germ as it pushes its way up through the soil into the sunlight. Germs have

been known to push their way up through slight crevices in a great rock, breaking the rock asunder requiring a strength mightier than man could wield with a large sledge hammer. Indeed, seeds have been known to have fallen into crevices of great rocks entering into the composition of a great temple, and germinating, have overturned great buildings. The cosmic Deity has displayed omnipotence in the generation of our solar system, and man displays this force in the action of mind. Strength or force is a characteristic of the Aries nativity. Mars is its ruling planet in his positive aspect, and Mars is the planet of war, of strenuousness, of force expressed on the lower plane, and on his more advanced plane, of vim and vigor so essential to carry on the great enterprises of the world. The Sun also is exalted in Aries, possessing a co-ruling force with Mars. Those born in this sign possess the martial spirit and force, and indeed the combined force of Mars and the Sun. It requires courage and strength to pioneer in any field. Aries gives its natives stimulating, exciting action; it makes them assertive and impulsive, fond of argument and desirous of leading. All great leaders in every field, but especially in war, have attained to leadership by the influence of Mars inspiring them. As thinkers, and this being the sign of the head is the sign of the thinker—hot headedness—they never follow but always lead. Both Mars and the Sun are fiery planets as Aries is a fiery sign, and fire is life and force, expressed in its mighty expansiveness. Aries people push outward and upward, subduing the world.

But we have said the Sun is exalted in Aries, and the Sun is ruler of the heart sign, Leo; therefore Aries, on the archetypal plane, is warm-hearted as well as hot-headed; that is, on this plane Aries synthesizes all. This suggests the age-long conflict between the fiery and the watery element. By one class, the descendants of Cain, it is contended that fire is the primal element; that is, the essence of fire, and with this modern science agrees, which holds that the primal substance is the fiery mist. By the other class, the Sons of Seth, it is held that water is the primal element, and so "The War of the Roses," has ever been waged. As said, on the

plane of the archaic, these two elements are but one; the same is true of all the other so-called elements. But, in expression, the fiery element comes first; conception must precede all else in the generative process; the spermatozoon is the aggressor, the ovum is the recipient.

This is seen in the cosmic creative process, for "The Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters." At the very beginning of this process, according to the Genesis account, "The Earth was waste and void"; that is, there were no forms, the substance filling the space now occupied by our solar system was inorganic, undifferentiated. And, until the Spirit, or Breath of God, or the existence of vibratory waves, generating Light, moved centrifugally, agitating the watery element in the cosmic egg, there could be no beginning of the creative process. This mentally-conceptive work is the special function of the Aries sign. This same principle runs throughout the whole generative process, whether in plant, animal, or human life. In plant life it is the pollen that produces impregnation; in animal and human life, it is the seminal germ; and the germ of all seeds, whether macrocosmic or microcosmic, is the fiery element. God is never declared to be water, but he is declared to be a "consuming fire." This fiery element is the Whole, or Holy Spirit, "in which we live and move and have our being," as Paul declared to the Athenians as his definition of God. The watery element is the psychic, the sheath, the vehicle of Spirit, into which spirit involves itself in the process of generation. Thought in action coagulates the fiery, etheric substance into nebulous forms, and nebulas are the beginnings of concrete forms. They represent the earliest stage of the gestative process of the cosmos within the great matrix of Nature.

This principle is quite strikingly brought out in the first digit, or number one. In the introduction to these lectures it was shown that mathematics is the absolute, and the only absolute science. Numbers, then, are symbols of eternal principles, and figures are symbols of numbers. Ordinary people do not stop to separate them in their minds. Principles are unchanging, which can neither be

weakened nor strengthened, always containing their true essence. Because of the absoluteness of numbers, Plato inscribed over the door of his academy, "Let no one enter here who is not versed in mathematics." There are ten figures or symbols of numbers, and there are ten numbers or symbols of eternal principles. These ten principles were originally united into one all-inclusive principle; this one is called "Unity" because it embraces within itself all that has ever been manifest.

There are numbers referring to nature, numbers associated with and belonging to man, and numbers belonging to the Divine Word. Wherever these act according to the law of the higher worlds, the results are successful. They differ from each other according to the plane of vibration, but follow the same order. These ten principles contained in Unity constitute the infinite foundation of all the combinations that can be possibly formed from them.

Unity contains all force and is the primal cause of all there is in manifestation. Unity, then, is absolute. Nothing is produced by Unity that is not related to it, as a son is to a father, and capable of being brought back to it again, when once it has fulfilled its mission. Hence, everything, even on the plane of gross matter, can, and will be restored to the sphere of Unity. All beyond the ten numbers are but compounds of the original ten and different combinations of ten. These combinations are manifold, but they can all be reduced to the original ten, and the ten can be reduced to the original One. In itself, as the geometric point, unity is invisible and eternal, and yet is capable of manifestation, and sometimes does manifest by its different qualities in such a way as to appear to have divided, but whatever be its appearance, it forever retains its oneness. Though absolute, it is in ceaseless activity, which is true throughout all the realms of being, down to the smallest atom. Should it cease to act, universal chaos would follow. It is this activity within Unity that constitutes the law of vibration, which is the basic principle of the universal order.

In Unity there is perfect harmony, and inharmony can only appear in combinations of principles

arranged contrary to the eternal order. In nature we find the law of harmony operating throughout the three great realms of mineral, vegetable and animal. Because of this the great teacher, Pythagoras, used the triangle as an object lesson for his pupils, from which to learn the universality of Law, asserting that "Everything is a Triad sprung from a Monad." He took the horizontal line or base to represent the mineral world, or world of crystallization, and proved the unchangeableness of the law of structure by the construction and crystallization of that sphere. He showed that the atoms are built uniformly according to the law of attraction or harmony, and held together by a magnetic force. Then passing to the left hand line of the triangle running up to the apex, he demonstrated the transmutation of the mineral into the vegetable. By the third line of the triangle, he taught the perfection of the law of activity, where we discover all that we find in the mineral and in the vegetable, and in addition, the law of locomotion, and that of mind and will, that guide man's actions. Here organic life finds its perfection. Wherever discord or disintegration appears in nature, or within human nature, it is the result of conditions brought about by a misapplication of one or more of these ten great principles. The remedy for all discords consists in knowing how to restore to unity or harmony through the action of law.

Unity, or God undifferentiated, has but two modes of progression, which are Action and Reaction, or the two great forces, Centrifugal and Centripetal, the one proceeding from the center outwardly, the other focalizing toward the center. The former is called "Infinite Progression," and proceeds in straight lines; the latter is called "Definite Progression," and moves in curved lines. The former is positive or masculine; the latter, negative or feminine. As seen, these two principles have always been, and always are in motion, which is the basis of manifestation, and of Light which is its first expression.

Everything that exists has its number, weight, and measurement. When the Ego comes to consciousness of its own number, it will know the path it must take to regain its primal power. Light

and force are both inherent in Unity, but force is the result of light.

By this law of opposites, then—of Action and Reaction—Unity contains, synthetically, the possibility of all forms; it also contains the possibility of reabsorbing into itself all forms thus created, by the process of evolution. Take as an illustration of this, a tree, which is the product of this double law of action and reaction, which, as has been seen, is the product of Light. For centuries this tree has been absorbing sunlight, and passing through various processes; but throughout all its stages of unfoldment, it has retained the inherent principle or light, and surrenders this principle of sunlight when as fuel it is consumed. This tree is the result of the centrifugal rays of light issuing from Unity, or the central Sun, constantly descending by the law of involution to lower ranges, and changing conditions by new combinations, that take from the material world all that is known as the True Light.

The time will come when all darkness will be dissipated, because every created thing will have become reabsorbed into Unity, and will thus itself have returned to its original ray of light. It will again then become one with Unity, and the redeeming or atoning work will have been consummated. It is this power of Unity that drives the spark of vitality to the center of all created forms, and even clothes them with bodies of light or of divine substance.

Unity, then, is pure spirit, or essential Deity, as we have seen Aries represents on the Archetypal plane, and everything proceeding from Unity, as sheaths or bodies, represents but different stages of matter, as it ever descends until it reaches the lowest stage. Wherever we see a straight line we may know that it is a symbol of spirit going forth from the center, the masculine, centrifugal, conceptive force of Aries, the beginner. Wherever we see a curved line, we may know that it is a symbol of the feminine, the centripetal, the passive, the receptive substance and force on the plane of matter, endeavoring to recover its primal state of oneness with Unity.

Unity has a dual expression, the Absolute, or

independent of all relations, and the relative, which is involved within the Absolute, and from which it is reflected; and this in turn reflects itself upon the lower planes. It then appears to have a double relationship—that of Individuality and that of Personality. To exemplify this, consider the Logos. It has not only an absolute being, and, therefore, belongs to absolute Unity; but in coming forth from the Absolute with the full force acting upon it, It expresses relatively. These indicate the primal and the secondary Logoi, the undifferentiated or archetypal, and the differentiated or the manifest and creative. The former, the conceptive, the latter the gestative, that is related to all that it is possible to be produced by its power. Unity, therefore, or the Logos, acts in the different spheres according to the distance it is removed from the center. On the highest plane, that of Mind, it acts as essential spirit; on the lower plane, it acts as spirit in relativity; but wherever and however it acts, it is always obedient to the law of Unity.

The nucleus or innermost center of Unity, represented by a dot or mathematical point, is the seat of the will or of all life and power. By this the extent of the circumference, or of creative space is defined. As a creative power, Will is capable of ascending or descending, or of going to the right or left. We see an expression of this in the bulb of the lily, which grows in two directions, upward toward the flower, and downward toward the root. This also may be seen on the plane of ethics, as shown in the good or evil as expressive of the will. This characteristic of will is inherent in its nature, as the duality of motion is inherent in absolute Unity. But in this case of manifest life, point has been added to point, until as a perpendicular line, or the figure one, it expresses itself as perfect. Only in the upright position is the pendulum at rest and in equilibrium and in full power. But as it extends horizontally toward desire, it reveals the fact that Unity or Will has fallen to the lowest plane.

All that has been said of the first digit or number One, as expressive of the primal Logos or source of creation, is applicable to the sign Aries

as the beginner in the creative sense; and all the attributes of Unity noticed above are attributes of the Aries type of character. A perfectly individuated Aries, a Master, a Logos, one who has attained to the highest spiritual state, is essentially Spirit, is in absolute equipoise or rest; is above the plane of relativity, because he and the indwelling Father are one; is synthetically all things, for during his long pilgrimage through matter he has absorbed into his being all that is of the material and phenomenal world. He is absolute and yet capable of manifestation or of projecting a universe or of creating a human being, a universe in miniature, in his own likeness and image. But on the plane of relativity or manifestation, where the inclination swings toward desire, an Aries type is in bondage, to a greater or less degree, and thus reveals the will as out of equipoise, and spirit as mixed with the debris of matter as under the limitation of Saturn's power, or under the dominance of the Martian passion.

This same thought is brought out strikingly in the first of the ten commandments, with which the ten digits correspond. It reads thus: "Thou shalt have no other gods before me." As the great Master has taught, there are lords many and gods many, but only one Absolute Deity, for absoluteness implies the whole. Aries, then, corresponds to this commandment, and in Aries the whole race is warned against idolatry or the exaltation of any lesser deity to the place of the Absolute. There is an absoluteness within each human being, the geometric point, the nucleus, the living germ, the spirit of purity; this alone may be worshiped or exalted to the place of the ideal; and to worship this is to worship God who is Spirit in spirit and in truth. All lower expressions of will is idolatry, or the substitution of a lesser or limited deity for the eternal, undifferentiated One.

All beginnings are not something springing out of nothing, which idea was held by the older theologians, and by some even to this day, for this is unthinkable; nothing from nothing springs, even the Absolute cannot do an absolute impossibility. Nor do beginnings spring from life; life may be added to life, giving as the result, the "life more

abundant”: but all beginnings of life spring out of death. Being is conic, spiral, down and up, in and out, darkness and light, death and life. “And there was evening and morning.” This is true even on the archetypal plane, for action springs out of reaction. In the Absolute there never was an absolute beginning, for this would imply a condition growing out of nothingness, which we have seen is not possible. The Absolute is full of beginnings, each beginning being an initiatory step in a new cycle. “From everlasting to everlasting,” so puzzling to most people, means from the beginning of a cycle to its close.

All cycles are divided into two equal parts, a day and a night. All night portions are the so-called death periods. It is literally true, then, that there can be no beginning without a preceding death. But by this is not meant cessation of being, as usually understood, but mere change of condition, from the positive to the negative, from the objective to the subjective; death is not cessation of being or from it life could never spring. Nor does it mean even a rest period, for though seemingly inert, even the gross physical is intensely active, but negatively so. Death is but a tearing down for the purpose of rebuilding on a better founda-

tion. This is the great law of evolution.

This beginning process, as the transition from death into a new life, is observable everywhere. The great Master thus illustrated it, “Except a grain of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die it bringeth forth much fruit.” As vegetation dies and again springs to life, so does animal life, and the human follows the same great law. After the long rest, so-called, in the unseen sphere, an inevitable resurrection or rebirth follows. In the case of grain the sheath dies and disintegrates, that the germ may sprout and bring forth new life; in the case of animal and human, a conception is produced; but before the new life begins to unfold, or commensurate with the beginning, there is the disintegration of the sheath, both of the spermatozoon and the ovum. Every awakening from slumber is a veritable resurrection from death, for in slumber consciousness is held in abeyance; and without consciousness there can be no real life. In both death and slumber a state of subconsciousness exists; in both cases the vital body withdraws from the gross physical. And as after death there comes a rebirth so after slumber there comes a newness of life.

(To be continued)

The Children of Aquarius--1918

Born January 21st to February 18th, inclusive.

EDITOR'S NOTE—It is the custom of astrologers, when giving a reading requiring as data only the month in which the person is born, to confine his remarks to the characteristics given by the sign the Sun is in at the time. Obviously, however, this is a most elementary reading and does not really convey any adequate idea of what these people are like, for if those were their sole characteristics there would only be twelve kinds of people in the world. We are going to improve upon this method by giving monthly readings that will fit the children born in the given month of that particular year, and take into consideration the characteristics conferred by the other planets according to the sign wherein they are during that month. That should give a much more accurate idea of the nature and possibilities of these children and will, we hope, be of some use to the many parents who are not fortunate enough to have their children's horoscopes cast and read individually. We keep these magazines in stock so that parents may get such a reading for children born in any month *after* June, 1917. The price of back numbers is 25c each

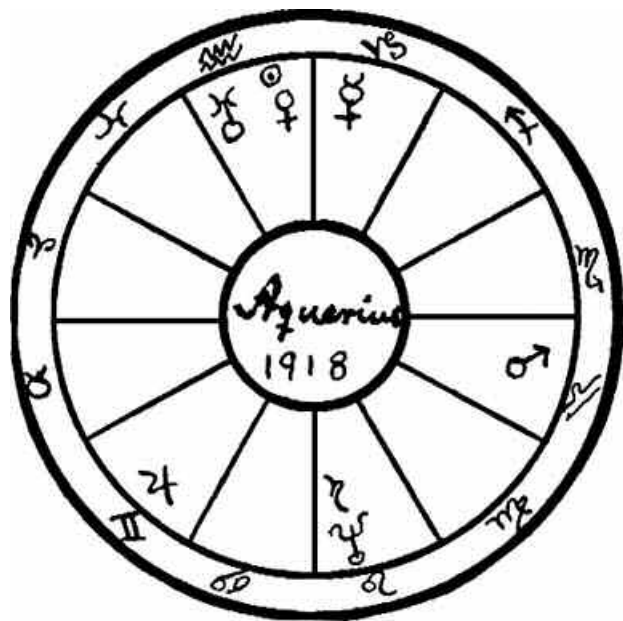
The children of Aquarius are of a rather shy, retir-

ing nature; they like to keep their own company and counsel more than is good for them, for if this bent in the nature is allowed full swing, it has a tendency to breed melancholia, and make them recluses. They have a quiet unassuming manner which gains many friends for them and their home-life is usually ideal, for they are generally affectionate and of a very sweet and kind disposition. They are always ready to defer to the opinion of a loved one and ready to yield a point for the sake of harmony; besides, Aquarius, being a fixed sign, they are very constant in their affections as well as in other things.

This year Uranus is in Aquarius, together with the Sun and Venus, the planet of love. This configuration will further enhance the idealistic love

nature of the children born under its influence; at the same time it will give them an unusually original nature with such ideas on social and conventional affairs that they are liable to get into trouble on that account, unless they learn diplomacy and keep within reasonable bounds of the accepted standards. There is no doubt that some present ideals must be modified and a more advanced view taken; probably the group of children born under this influence has a mission in that respect and is to act as a leaven, but such changes always involve trouble for those who first propose the innovations.

Aquarius is an intellectual sign and its children usually have a good mentality with an inclination towards science, literature or philosophy. They are



remarkably persistent in whatever they undertake and therefore usually succeed in the long run; but this year's children of Aquarius are specially blessed for Uranus, the planet of intuition, is there with the life-giving Sun to shed light on their problems, and they will therefore be more alert and quick to perceive a point than the children of Aquarius born in years when this benign influence is not present.

As Aquarius is the eleventh sign, it partakes also of the qualities ruled by the eleventh house, therefore the children of Aquarius are usually well liked among their associates. This characteristic will be

greatly enhanced in the 1918 children, for Venus, the planet of love and attraction, is there the whole month and she will do wonders in making their lives lovely. To that end she will bring them friends who are ready to aid them and serve them; she will provide comfortable homes and such financial support as necessary to smooth the way for them.

It must not be thought, however, that they are clinging vines to be brought up in a sheltered environment; that is not the case at all, they will earn all they get, for they have an abundance of energy, all the more valuable because they know how to husband and control it. This is indicated by Mars, the planet of dynamic energy, who is the source of physical strength, and Jupiter, the Great Benefic, who is the giver of Morality, Nobility of Nature, and the philanthropic Spirit. These two planets are in mundane trine with the Sun; their joint forces are poured upon the 1918 children of Aquarius through airy intellectual signs and this will make these children powers for good in whatever environment they are placed; they will be leaders in every progressive movement, hence worthy of the support we have mentioned.

With respect to health we find Saturn in Leo, the sign which rules the heart. Neptune is there also and between them they will weaken the heart action unless care is taken to restrain these children from participation in rough plays or sports involving an undue strain on the heart. If the ounce of prevention is applied in childhood the pound of cure will probably not be needed in later life. Mars, the planet of inflammation, in Libra, the sign which rules the kidneys, indicates a tendency to excessive action of these organs and consequent inflammatory troubles. A simple diet adopted from childhood from which highly seasoned dishes have been eliminated will be beneficial to overcome this trouble.

But above all it should be the aim of parents who have a child born under Aquarius to impress it with the necessity of striving to look upon the bright side of life; that is, as soon as it has grown to such years that it can grasp ideas, for the main troubles of the children of Aquarius are mental in

their origin. There is in this sign a very strong Saturnine strain which breeds worry and fear in those under its influence. This paralyzes the physiological functions and poisons the body with the result that disease shows itself at the weakest points in the anatomy. A cheerful frame of mind is perhaps more essential to the children of Aquarius

than to the children of the other signs.

The children of Aquarius are very proud and jealous of the esteem of others, and we mention it as a curious fact which we have observed in quite a number of cases that *their* pride is generally brought low and their name is dragged in the mire through some scapegrace relative.

Your Child's Horoscope

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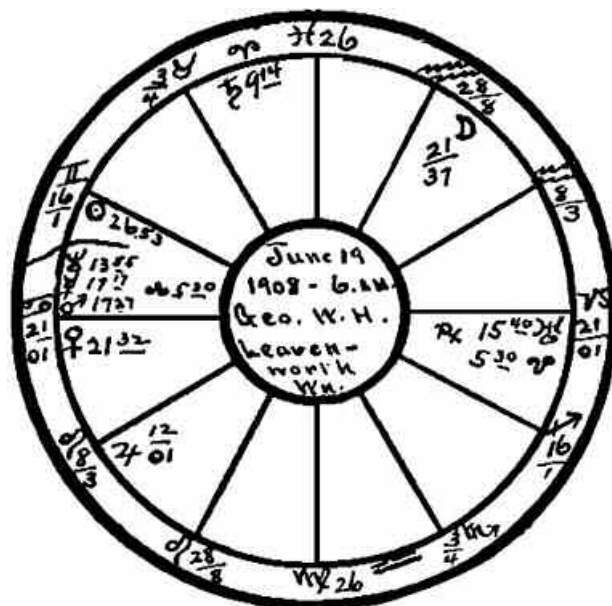
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GEORGE W. R., born June 19, 1908, at 6 a. m., Leavenworth, Wash.

At the time of George's birth the weak sign Cancer was rising, and this is not a good omen so far as health is concerned, but we find Mars, the planet of dynamic energy, on the Ascendant, also the life-giving Sun trine to the Moon, which is the ruler of the Ascendant, and these configurations help to offset the lack of vitality shown by the ascending sign. So that we may judge George will be fairly healthy, if he can learn to keep a cool head, for there is a tendency to extreme irritability, shown by the opposition of the erratic Uranus to Mercury, the planet which governs the nervous system, Mars, the ruler, of the muscular system, and Venus, the ruler of the venous circulation. If this tendency to fretfulness is allowed to grow, as it may easily with the years, then there is quite a danger of ruined nerves, stomach, and a general wreckage of the system. It should therefore be your particular care during the years of childhood to teach him to cultivate a sunny temperament, for that will be his most valuable asset in life, and the lack of it will mar his chances of success more than is ordinarily the case. You should also teach him frugality, for George is going to have more money than he will know what to do with. One of the things which he may mistakenly use it for is to overfill his stomach as shown by Mars in Cancer,

and if he does, he will have to pay for it.

When we say he is going to have more money than he can use, we judge so from the fact Jupiter, the ruler of the Tenth House, is in the Second House, which deals with finance. Then also he is



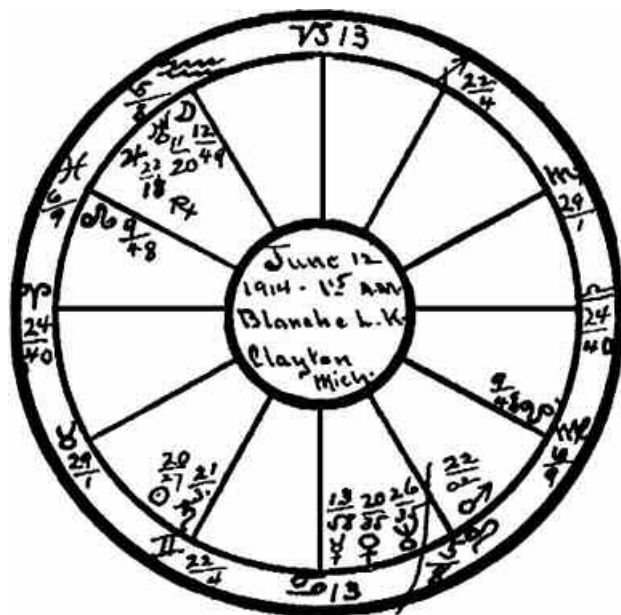
trine to Saturn, the planet of thrift, which shows that he is going to hold on to what he has. In fact, it would not do you any harm to inculcate in him a spirit of generosity, for we have known many people with Jupiter in the Second House who were quite wealthy, but were very loth to part with any of it. That is a very wrong spirit for we cannot take any of it with us, and we only really keep what we

give. Of course we must use proper discrimination and not throw away money right and left simply because we shall not miss it. That is not helpfulness either but may sometimes induce others to laziness and laxity of industry. But where money is given with due discrimination to help others to help themselves, there the giver gains considerable in soul growth. And you can help George a great deal by fostering in him a spirit of discriminative benevolence during the years when his mind and thoughts are still plastic. You will not see any of these things materialize until George has passed his thirtieth year. All the planets are cooped up in his Twelfth House, and it is likely that he may flounder around and seem to be making no earthly headway. Nevertheless, keep up your faith in him. Some day he will find himself and then he will be different altogether from what he was before. He has a bright keen mind, shown by Mercury, the planet of reason in conjunction with Mars, the planet of dynamic energy and in the lunar sign Cancer. This will also give him considerable imagination, so that he will see opportunities others will miss.

Blanche Leone K., born June 12, 1914, at 1 :15 a. m., Clayton, Mich.

At the time of Blanche's birth four cardinal signs were on the angles. This helps to make the life an active one, fruitful in experience. The martial sign Aries was rising and the life giving Sun was sextile to the ruler, Mars, the planet of dynamic energy, trine Jupiter, the great benefic. This strengthens the life forces, and although the Sun is in conjunction to the obstructive Saturn, we may judge that Blanche will have a fair amount of vitality and energy. As the conjunction of the Sun and Saturn occurs in Gemini, the sign which rules the lungs, you will find that this is her weakest point and that she will be subject to colds in the chest unless she is protected. You need not fear any serious developments from this tendency however, for the sextile of the Sun to Mars, the planet of dynamic energy, will give her sufficient recuperative powers to throw off disease if she is given half a chance. With respect to mentality, we

find that Mercury, the planet of reason, is unaspected, so she will never be very good at reasoning things out, but we also find the Moon, the other significator of mind, the planet of imagination, in conjunction with Uranus, the planet of intuition, and this shows that Blanche will get the answers to her problems without the necessity of reasoning them out. The solution will come to her by intuition as quickly as a flash of lightning, and if she cultivates this faculty she will always be able to rely upon her thoughts. The Sun conjoined with Saturn, the planet of thrift, economy, and forethought, will make her careful and acquisitive.



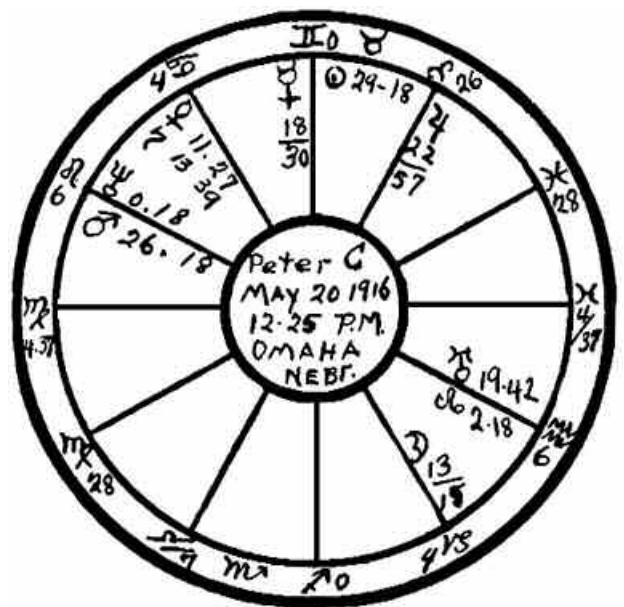
The trine with Jupiter, the planet of opulence, will bring her into comfortable financial circumstances, so that she will always be taken care of all through life in that respect. This position also gives her influential friends who will help her to advance in life socially and economically. But as the Sun is the significator of the marriage partner in a woman's horoscope, this conjunction is the reverse of good for it signifies either a denial of marriage, or else a union with some one who is much older than she, one who will be overbearing and domineering, making her very uncomfortable. Then that partner will die, and she will probably marry more than once after that, but invariably, someone with a Saturnine disposition, who will treat her in a mean and contemptible manner.

Therefore it will be far better for Blanche not to attempt any matrimonial venture, and you will advance her happiness by influencing her in that direction when the time comes. Venus in conjunction with Neptune shows that she has a latent talent for music, but as Mercury is unaspected, it is doubtful in our mind whether she will be able to perform and bring it out. It is worth trying, however. Her worst fault is lack of mental application, shown by the wandering Moon in conjunction with the spasmodic Uranus. This will make her very original in her ideas, but she will fret and chafe if things do not go right away as she thinks they ought to. Be sure to see that whenever you give her a task she stays by it until it is finished, so that she cultivates the habit of application in childhood. This configuration of the Moon and Uranus also makes her somewhat Bohemian in character; and for her own good she should be taught that we must respect the conventions, even avoiding the appearance of evil.

Peter C., born May 20, 1916, at 25 minutes past noon, Omaha, Neb.

At the time of Peter's birth, the Mercurial sign Virgo was rising, and Mercury, the ruler, is placed close up to the Midheaven in his other sign Gemini; he is trine to Uranus, the planet of intuition. This shows that Peter is no imitator, but an original thinker, with an exceedingly keen and intuitive mind. He will never need to study long over his problems but will be able to grasp a point almost before the case has been half explained. Jupiter, the planet of law and philosophy, is also sextile to Mercury, the planet of reason, and Uranus, the planet of intuition, giving Peter a still greater ability to think deeply, clearly and logically. This configuration also makes the mind creative, generous and humane. It is one of the aspects which make for general success in life. Jupiter is also the planet of opulence, and therefore Peter is assured of comfortable financial circumstances; in addition, he will probably gain by legacy and bequests. Moreover, he will be well liked in the community, for Jupiter, the planet of benevolence, is trine to Mars, the planet of free-

handedness, showing that Peter will be free, open, generous, and liberal with whatever means are placed at his disposal. This is in a sense strange, for people are usually shy of those who are somewhat apart from the common herd, and Peter will be very original, odd, and eccentric in many ways as shown by Uranus, the planet of eccentricity trine to Mercury, the planet of mind. From these configurations Peter also derives an inventive ability, particularly along the lines of air and electricity, which will probably be the source of his income. The common, flexible signs on the angles are usually not good omens for success in life because they indicate a lack of energy and enterprise with a tendency to lassitude and procrastina-



tion. But in Peter's case we find that Jupiter is trine Mars, the planet of dynamic energy, and this will give him the enterprising spirit necessary to succeed in life.

But everything is not good in this horoscope either, we are sorry to say. There is another Peter who is very different from the one we have just described. In fact, there is a "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" hidden in your child, and we trust you may be able to foster the Dr. Jekyll side and subdue the other. This is described in the first place by the life-giving Sun square to Mars, the planet of dynamic energy, which shows an extremely fiery temper, a tendency to act under impulse, and do

things which he will afterwards regret, and a lack of continuity in carrying out the plans born of the higher, nobler nature. When Venus is afflicted, her beauty becomes sloth and slovenliness, and here we find her with Saturn, the planet of obstruction, in the watery sign Cancer, and in opposition to the Moon, showing a tendency to partake too freely of the wine cup. It is a very unpleasant task to tell you such things, but forewarned is forearmed. You can now begin to teach him control of temper and of the lower appetites before they gain a foothold, and by applying the ounce of prevention on a flexible nature like Peter's, you will probably kill the vice before it manifests.

With respect to health we find that the most sensitive point is the stomach, as indicated by Saturn, the planet of obstruction, in Cancer, the sign ruling the stomach, and in opposition to the Moon. This shows a tendency to indigestion, and you should be very careful to bring him up on a simple frugal diet, free from high seasonings, so that the digestive tract may be strengthened during childhood, and better able to withstand the strains in later life. We also find that the Sun is square to Mars, the planet of dynamic energy, placed in Leo, the sign which rules the heart. This shows a danger of heart trouble, also a tendency to fever and accidents. But if you use the diet we have already spoken about, he will almost certainly be immune from fevers, and by ordinary forethought most accidents can be avoided.

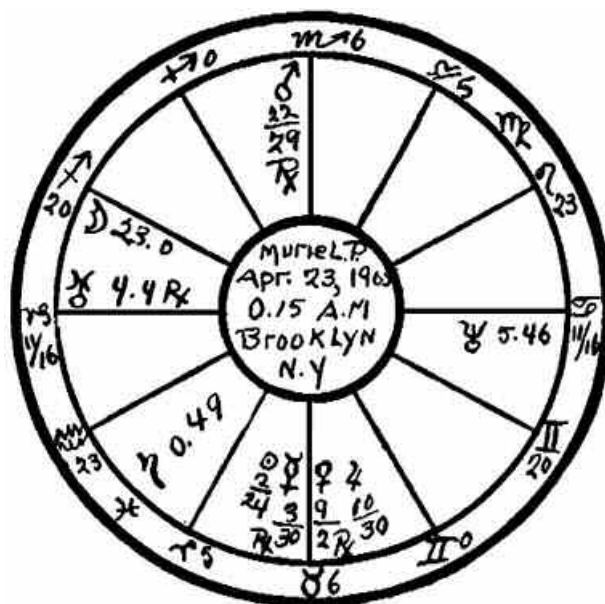
You have a difficult problem on hand in this child, but the good tendencies far outweigh the evil; besides, you are making an early start at the correction of faults by a complete knowledge of what is latent. Therefore we feel assured that you will meet with success in your labor of love, for this soul that has come to you for help and protection.

Muriel P., born April 23, 1905, at 0:15 a. m., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Here we have a little lady of a very unusual mental calibre, for we find that Saturn, the planet of forethought and concentration, is sextile to Uranus, the planet of intuition, and trine to Neptune, the planet of spiritual perception, also

sextile to the life-giving Sun and to Mercury, the planet of reason. There is really no superlative in the language that is sufficiently strong to convey an idea of what such a mind is like, and we are at a loss how to describe it. We all know what reason is, what forethought is, but to couple them with intuition and spiritual perception and amalgamate all these in one single human mind, can make it nothing short of sublime. Nor is this all, for Venus, the planet of love, and Jupiter, the planet of benevolence are conjoined, sextile and trine to Uranus and Neptune. So Muriel must have a character of rare loveliness, which is only too seldom found upon this sorrowful planet, or it would be transformed to a garden of joy.

We find also that she has a most beautiful talent latent, namely, music of a highly inspirational



nature, as shown by Venus, the planet of love and art, sextile to Neptune, the planet which seems to be the conveyor of inspirational music. Venus is also trine to Uranus, the planet of originality. This shows that she will not be an imitator but an originator, and able to compose her own music, bringing down from the Heaven World the strains which she hears. Moreover we find that Venus, the planet of art is essentially dignified in its own sign, Taurus, which governs the throat and conjoined with Jupiter and with Mercury, the planet of expression, also sextile and trine to Neptune and

Uranus. This shows that she has a voice of a very unusual calibre, which ought to be trained.

But every rose has its thorns, nothing and nobody is wholly good in this world; everyone has weak points, more or less, and we find Mars, the planet of dynamic energy, though it is highly elevated and dignified in its own sign Scorpio, is nevertheless unaspected and retrograde. This takes away the strength from Muriel. We also find that the Moon, which is the significator of health for a woman, is imprisoned and unaspected in the Twelfth House, indicating confinement and restriction owing to bodily imperfections. Then also we find Uranus, the erratic and spasmodic planet, in the weak sign Capricorn, rising, and in opposition to Neptune, the planet of chaos and trouble, in the sign Cancer which rules the stomach. Judging from these signs we find that Muriel is of an exceedingly high-strung nature, that there is a weakness of the digestive organs, which will express itself in nervous derangement, and that as a consequence she may be confined in hospitals to her great detriment.

We would therefore warn the parents when sickness befalls to be very careful of Muriel's diet, and never to allow her to be taken out of the home for treatment, for with the two benefics in the home and the life-giving Sun and Mercury right on the cusp, it is certain that she will recuperate much more rapidly in the home than anywhere else, and it will thus save her a great deal of unnecessary suffering, for her body is very weak in the first place and needs all the tender care that can be given it until she has come to maturity and is able to take care of herself.

Miss Avolvi S., born March 27, 1898, at 7 a. m., near Salt Lake City.

At the time of your birth we find Mercury, the planet of reason, trine to Saturn, the planet of obstruction. This makes you slow to form an opinion and you do not express yourself impulsively upon any matter, but always wait until you have time for thought and reflection. That is a valuable characteristic and one which will stand you in good stead during life. Saturn is also in opposition

to the Moon, which is the other significator of mind and placed in the Mercurial sign Gemini. That is bad because it will give you a tendency to worry and fear of going ahead and doing what upon reflection your reason tells you is right. If you want success in life you must strive to overcome this fault. When you have once, after thorough consideration, come to a conclusion, follow the course you have decided upon and you will find yourself the better for it every time. The Moon is also trine to Jupiter, the planet of opulence, and she is sextile to the Sun. That is good for general success in life; in fact, it is excellent, but unfortunately Jupiter is retrograde, and in opposition to the Sun, so that you will not realize the full benefit of this configuration. We may say, however, that you will always be in comfortable financial circumstances. Venus, your ruler, is placed in the Twelfth House sign Pisces, and in the Twelfth House, so is the Sun and Mercury. Therefore we judge that you will be most successful in some work that is removed from direct contact with the public, and as Mercury, the ruler of your Sixth House, is here, together with the Sun, the ruler of the Fifth House, which governs children, we may judge that work in a prison for juvenile offenders or in a children's hospital will be the best suited to your temperament and disposition. At any rate, you should seek something which does not bring you into direct contact with the public.

Miss J. I. W., born April 27, 1899, at 4 :30 a. m., at Denver, Colorado.

At the time of your birth there were four cardinal signs upon the angles and Mercury, the planet of expression, was on the Ascendant in the sign Aries. This will give you an active and self-assertive disposition with the ability to argue in favor of whatever standpoint you take and bring others around to see the point as you see it. Mercury, the planet of dexterity, is trine to Saturn, the planet of mechanical ability. This will give you a great deal of manual skill and ability, if you choose to cultivate it. But as the Sun is square to Mars, the planet of fever and accidents, we would not advise you to undertake anything where you

may have to do with fire or edged tools. In this configuration there is an admonition to you to be careful not to overindulge in food, as you are liable to inflammatory or feverish complaints if you do. But with Mercury, the planet of expression, in Aries on the Ascendant, and Venus, the planet of art and music, ruler of the Second House which governs finance, also ruler of considerable of the Sixth House, which governs service, she being trine to both the Moon and Mars, will give

you ability in salesmanship, particularly in things connected with beautiful ladies wear, or with art and music. If you apply your skill in that direction you will probably succeed fairly well in life, though you must not look for anything great in the way of financial returns, for the Sun square Mars and in opposition to Jupiter, the planet of opulence, forbids the accumulation of much money; you will spend it too fast and forget to save, unless you just make up your mind to rule your stars.

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