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## Egypt

A REVOLUTION IN PROGRESS

**A**STROLOGICAL analysis of the revolution underway in Egypt starts with their natal chart. Which is a trip to **Nicholas Champion's Book of World Horoscopes**: June 18, 1953, 11:30 pm GMT. (Note GMT – not local Cairo time.) The chart has 29 Aries rising, 19 Capricorn on the MC. Cardinal signs on angles. Follow along:

The eclipse on January 4, 2011 at 9:03 am GMT, set for Cairo, was at 13 Capricorn, with cardinal angles. The Aries ingress, March 20, 2010, set for Cairo, had cardinal angles. The Capricorn ingress (subordinate to the Aries, and the most recent ingress) had cardinal angles. Egypt's solar

return, June 18, 2010, has 12 Capricorn rising, north node at 12 Capricorn dead conjunct. Triggered by the eclipse. Bingo.

There are many aspects between the natal chart and the eclipse chart, I commend them to your inspection.

Presuming the revolution is successful, the implications are vast. If the Egyptian-Gaza border is opened, the Israeli policy towards the Palestinians collapses immediately, as does Palestine's West Bank government. Hamas wins. Securing, i.e., destroying the billions of dollars of US-made weapons in the Egyptian army will be the no. 1 immediate job for both the US & Israel, which means war. (Destroying US-made arms in Iran was the underlying reason for the Iran-Iraq war, 1980-88.) The Saudis are terrified of revolution in their own country and so will not be a willing proxy. The Americans are overstretched militarily and so are unlikely to do more than air strikes. The Israelis were unable to advance even a mile into Lebanon in 2006. But war there will be, alas.

Meanwhile a revolutionary Egyptian government will get a warm reception in Turkey, where a pan-Arab, neo-Ottoman sentiment has been growing. So it seems that 2011 is already off to an interesting start.

### ALMANAC

for the week (all times GMT)

01	19:32	☾ ✕ ♁	Void
	23:21	☾ ☿	
02	05:13	☾    ☉	
	07:35	♀ ✕ ♀	
	12:47	♀ ☐ ♁	
	16:16	♀ ✕ ♁	
03	02:30	● 13♌54	New Moon
	22:19	♀ ☿	
04	05:59	♀ ♁	
	06:11	☾ ♂ ♀	Void
	10:24	☾ ✕	
	16:40	☉ ♂ ♂	
05	15:30	♀ ✕ ♀	
06	01:24	♀    ♀	
	06:41	☉ Δ ♁	
	17:16	♂ Δ ♁	
	19:14	☾ ♂ ♁	Void
	19:40	♀ ☐ ♀	
	22:46	☾ ♁	
07	04:51	☾ ♂ ♀	

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## ASTRO MED

A to Z  
FROM C.E.O. CARTER'S ENCYCLOPAEDIA

**APPENDICITIS.** This trouble occurs readily where there are Virgo & Scorpio afflictions, but the special degree-areas are rather numerous and ill-defined. 18° Taurus-Scorpio is probably the chief, and afflictions are also commonly found to involve the first 3° of the Mutables, and also 22° of the same, as well as 22° Leo-Aquarius. Uranus is a common afflictor.

Mercury is commonly in the 1st decanate of the mutable signs. Out of sixteen cases I find it in this position in eight. It is nearly always in major bad aspect to one or more of the malefics.

\*\*\*In all cases where these special degrees are mentioned in connection with certain characteristics, pathological or otherwise, the student is asked to bear in mind that they may be brought into action by being "bracketed" between two bodies; that is to say, two bodies will fall exactly on each side of the degree in question at a distance of a few degrees on either hand. Such midpoints are recognized in modern astrology as being important. — Note, page 26.



## STAR OF THE WEEK



**ARMUS** eta Capricorni 12 ♌ 54

**Notes:** Situated in the heart of the Goat.

**Influence:** Of the nature of Mars & Mercury. It gives disagreeableness, contemptibleness, instability, shamelessness, nagging & a troublesome & contentious nature.

**DORSUM** theta Capricorni 14 ♌ 00

**Notes:** A small star situated on the back of the Goat.

**Influence:** It is of the nature of Saturn & Jupiter & is of unfortunate influence.

**With Sun or Mars:** Danger of bites from venomous creatures.

**CASTRA** epsilon Capricorni 20 ♌ 21

**Notes:** A small star in the Goat's belly.

**Influence:** Of the nature of Saturn & Jupiter. It gives malevolence, destructiveness & an uncontrollable temper.

— From **Fixed Stars**, by Vivian Robson

Ivy M. Goldstein-Jacobson  
1893-1990



# IVY'S GEM OF THE WEEK

## The Sun and the Moon

**T**HE Sun above the horizon makes you a recognized individualist, which is also true of the Sun in any angular house; you decide your course for yourself. Below the horizon & not in the 1st or 4th denotes one whose course is likely to be decided by others.

The Moon above the horizon brings your personality out in the open, as it does also in any angular house; you attract attention by personal magnetism. Below the horizon and not in the 1st or 4th denotes a more self-effacing personality avoiding attention.

It is important to understand the Sun makes the rules & the Moon carries them out, not unlike the father and mother (theoretically, at least) and his rule becomes your fate. He is the authority in deciding your role in life while the Moon possesses delegated authority from him to act in his name & circle the wheel to contact each planet by arranged aspect in orderly fashion & collect the facts you need in playing the role his house-position denotes.

Always note the latitude of the Moon at birth, and the closer it is to 5°18' which is her greatest distance. The closer her latitude, the more latitude or leeway you take in handling matters having to do with your role in life, the more freedom you assume in your own name & the more self-reliant you are.

Your Sun throws light on the house he is in, and that is the department of life where you shine best and are intended to radiate out according to whatever that house represents. — *The Way of Astrology*, 1967.

# ASTRO-MED

**A**STROLOGER Paul Robles (not his real name) of Los Angeles (not quite his real address) had an AHA! moment last week. He has a brother born September 25, 1963, at 6:06 am EST at 39N 87W. Paul read last week's newsletter and emailed, *"The moon was the giveaway for the blindness, being at 25 Sag (and angular, too, tho that wasn't mentioned). I'm not a good astro-diagnostician, but what about his chart makes all this so extreme? I mean, lots of folks have moon in the degrees mentioned without blindness, and lots of people have asc. ruler Merc conj Pluto in the 12th... without the degree of affliction [also almost totally deaf as well as autistic] he shows. Insights from Mr. Astrodoc?"*

**A**STRODOC replies that angularity has a lot to do with it (makes it worse), and that his left eye should be worse than his right, since the Moon rules the left eye in males.

**Deafness:** Combining **Robson, Carter** and **Sepharial**: Mercury afflicted in the 12th, afflicted from the 6th (Saturn rules the 6th and while in the "5th", is in the sign of the 6th, Aquarius). Carter expressly identifies Virgo rising as a factor in deafness, also semi-squares to malefics (Mars is 47 degrees away). I note that Mercury, while in Virgo, is retrograde (weak), which makes it unable to carry out its duties as chart ruler. It is also an example of a failed dispositor, as it disposes of the two malefics, Pluto & Uranus, both of which are in Virgo & in the 12th. That these two are not technically conjunct Mercury is a saving grace. (Retrogrades matter!)

Carter quotes **Lilly** that malefics in the terms of Mercury cause deafness: Saturn at 17 Aquarius is in terms of Mercury. Uranus at 7 Virgo is also in terms of Mercury. Carter is skeptical of Lilly, but in this case, Lilly is right.

**Autism** is defined as a neural development disorder, which is squarely Mercurial. Of insanity, Carter says Mars in a water sign in the 3rd, which is the case here. Under mental deficiency, he notes 22 degrees of mutables (Mercury in this case) are often involved. Set the chart 10 minutes earlier and he would have 22 mutable on all four angles.

Such is an astrological analysis of a tragedy. The individual in question grew up to be a computer troubleshooter for the defense department. Richer than his astro-brother!

Secrets  
From A,  
Stargazer's  
Notebook

DEBBI KEMPTON-SMITH

## Saturn in Aquarius, or Aquarius or Capricorn on the 11th

**W**HEN these children grow up, they feel like hippies at the D.A.R.—or the **man in the gray flannel suit** in the midst of chanting Ubangis. Theirs is a yearning for and aversion to groups & organizations, and it's love-hate all the way.

In truth they are loners who wish to change society, so must work within it. They join IBM or declare war on the Establishment. The opinion of the world means more to them than is healthy for their sense of personal well-being; they must first find their own humanitarian goals & work towards them in a practical fashion, immune to the applause or the boos.

Friendship is their religion. They give far more to their friends than they get, and it hurts. But in subtle ways they make it hard for their friends to give them anything back. If you can sneak in a few good deeds to them when they're off-guard they go all slushy inside. What runs them is a fear that they have very few true friends. Sometimes they secretly feel that their friends are of a somewhat "lower level" than themselves. They're often right! The wise ones understand that to have a friend, you must first be a friend & give your friends a chance to *prove their worth to you*.

Real friends don't care what you look like, whether you're "normal" or not, or how much money you have, or how much garlic you've eaten. They'll tell you when it's time to go brush your teeth.

Count yourself special if one of these folks counts you as a friend. They're loyal, kind to strangers, willing to bail you out of any mess, and ask for nothing in return. Fool them. Return their loyalty & give them everything in return. Make them take it and like it. One day they'll realize they deserve it. In the meantime they'll struggle with trying to be equal in an unequal world—it's the only way they'll find any inner peace.

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This is a serialization of Vivian Robson's masterpiece, **A Student's Text-Book of Astrology**. It is now in print.

**Part 24:**  
**Speech, Teeth**

**Speech.** Defective speech is usually denoted by afflictions to Mercury, and generally involves the mute signs Cancer, Scorpio and Pisces.

1. Mercury in one of the mute signs & afflicted by a malefic causes an impediment in the speech, especially when Mercury rules, or is in, the 6th.

2. Mercury conjunct Sun and Saturn in an angle hinder speech, and the same effect is caused by Mercury in the first six degrees of Scorpio opposed Moon, and also by Mercury conjunct the south node in the 6th, 8th, or 12th.

3. Saturn rising in a mute sign or in Aries, Taurus, Leo or Capricorn often causes an impediment.

4. Mars afflicting Mercury causes quick speech. [Guilty! – Dave]

5. Gemini, Virgo, Libra, Sagittarius or Aquarius on the Asc. and Mercury unafflicted gives free & graceful speech.

**Teeth.**

1. Mars in the Asc. in Cancer, Scorpio, or Pisces, causes loss of teeth.

2. Saturn conjunct Sun in a watery sign, especially if in the Asc. or 6th, causes much suffering from toothache.

3. Saturn in Asc or 7th, except in Capricorn and Aquarius, denote trouble with teeth, and in earth signs, except Capricorn, gives weak, distorted & easily decaying teeth. If in an airy sign there may be much toothache but the teeth are seldom lost; and if in a fiery sign the teeth rot without much pain. — **A Student's Text-Book of Astrology**, by Vivian Robson.

**February 3:**  
1637–Tulip mania collapses, Holland.  
1787–Shay's rebellion crushed.  
1913–Income tax is law.

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**Nemesis**

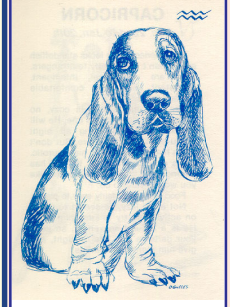
**I**N the glyph, one sees the circle, the spirit, both encased & split—indicating the potential for being “trapped” and fragmented by one's *humanity*, by a behavior, belief or attitude. . . just as one feels held down or back by her Nemesis!

Nemesis represents that shadow that keeps following you around and tripping you! It's the “boogey-man” that you know is in your anxiety closet waiting for you. It is your *bete noir*, the enemy (within or/and without). It is the downfall, the *saboteur* of happiness or success. It is that drive or behavior or activity that you can't leave alone (and WON'T leave you alone). In aspect, it shows where and how you attribute blame or fault (*ie.*, “If it weren't for (Nemesis + aspects) everything would be alright . . . okay, given the average person's chart, everything might not be *allright*, but it certainly would be a lot better!”) Nemesis describes what is perceived as the *fatal flaw* or the special Achilles Heel. By transit, expect to be reminded of that particular weakness. Nemesis uses aspecting planets as a catch-all *scapegoat*.

When retrograde, one has more difficulty identifying “the black beast” and may repeat behaviors without recognizing the flaw in them. As well, one is more prone to blame others or to be drawn into being the brunt of others who are attempting to work through *their* “nemesis”.

By transit: You encounter those people & those issues that are “the bane of your existence” and you tend to look to “blame” other points in aspect for developing problems or stresses. Nemesis encourages you to label the point in aspect as “the root of all evil” or adversity. — *from Mechanics of the Future Asteroids*, © 1988, 1991

**DOG OF THE MONTH**



Aquarius dogs do an awful lot of barking. Very excitable and jealous if you give any obvious preference to any other animals in the house. If a big dog he is like an overgrown teddy bear, especially when

he wants to be petted. The smaller dogs in this sign tend to be harder to understand as they feel they should be a bigger dog, so consequently they want to eat more than they should. Instead of giving them more, pet them as often as possible and talk to them.

Once they have marked their territory out, they feel that without their consent no one should enter into it. Basically they feel protective towards all members of the family because they feel that you're not smart enough to take care of yourselves

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 **The New Newsletter**

**M**ost people, most astrologers, even, have no idea how rich, how varied, astrology really is. I'm lucky. For the last fifteen years, I've lived in what amounts to a world-class astrological library, which I've been passing off as **AstroAmerica**. Every week I will serve up a slice for your amusement.

'Til next week – **Dave**  
**February 3:**  
1930–Communist party of Vietnam  
1945–1000 B-17s bomb Berlin  
1959–The Day the Music Died

