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Tell The World

IF YOU can tear yourself away from this week's feature, open your doors, open your windows, and *shout it out*. TELL THE WORLD that **Astrology is REAL**, that it EXISTS, that it is TRUE. **Fight**. It's up to us. If we don't stand up for ourselves, NOW, we condemn not only ourselves, but our children and their children to the nightmare that we have just come through. NEVER AGAIN. Nobody is going to do this for us.

Is Astrology scientific? YES. Astrology was originally conceived under Aristo-

telian rules and fit perfectly. So far as the modern objections, a brief summary of my theoretical work:

The Sun-Earth relationship, the solstices and equinoxes, establishes the Tropical Zodiac.

The interplay of energies, from planet-to-planet (not planet to person) disposes of the inverse square law. The planets are more than big enough, more than close enough, to have exactly the effects which they produce.

Falsifiability, which is the doctrine of repeatability, does not apply when *time* is a factor. Astrology is like driving a car. It may be the same *car* (individual) and the same *road* (zodiac), but the *drive* is never the same.

Astrology produces such staggeringly important results in medicine that its modern exclusion can only be described as deliberate quackery. Astrology must remain part of the world if only to prevent doctors from the mistreatment and outright murder of their patients. As anyone who has been down this way knows first hand, there are not words strong enough.

This week's feature was going to be about politics. Elected politicians, when they are not simply deluded, are compulsive liars. Their profession demands one or the other. Astrology strips them of lies and delusions, enabling Democracy and Republican government to exist. *Without astrology there can be only tyranny.*



Rheumatic Ailments arise nearly, if not invariably, from Saturnian affliction, sometimes aggravated by those of Mars. The ascendant is nearly always in affliction with Saturn in the natives of markedly rheumatic cases, and I have known several cases occur when Saturn was in trine or sextile to the ascendant, from Leo or Cancer. (Mars or Saturn in fall or detriment often produce difficult conditions even by their "good" aspects.)

The sensitive areas appear to be about 23° of the fixed signs, but in my experience almost any square or opposition from Taurus, Leo or Aquarius tends to produce this ailment more or less severely if Saturn is prominent and weak.

Mars and Saturn are very often found in mutual affliction. Example: Male, born 51N, 2W, 3 pm, August 27, 1859. A severe case of arthritis, nearly unable to walk—note Neptune in the 3rd and mutable-sign afflictions. Also deaf.

Rheumatic Fever. One of the Lights and often both of them, is in aspect with Mars or Saturn. — **Encyclopaedia of Psychological Astrology**, \$18.95. **Buy.**

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A financial astrologer told me this would be a nasty full moon. Look at it!



STAR OF THE WEEK



ZANIAH *eta Virginis* 04 ♄42

Notes: A variable star situated on the southern wing of Virgo. From Al

Zawiah, the Angle or Corner which formed part of the Kennel of the Barking Dog located here by the Arabs

Influence: According to Ptolemy it is of the nature of Mercury and Venus. It gives refinement, honour, congeniality, order and a lovable nature.

With Sun: Educational and studious interests, popular, social success, much pleasure, favourable for marriage.

With Moon: Worry, loss through legal and Venusian affairs, troubles through writings, led astray by sympathies.

With Mercury: Musical or artistic ability, gain through writing short stories, popular, social success, many friends, esp. opposite sex. — *from Fixed Stars*, by Vivian Robson. **Buy.**

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IVY'S GEM OF THE WEEK

How Extensive Is Any Major Aspect?

TO be extensive is to have scope and widening range that may be singularly inclusive, taking in all the specialized houses at once for radiation influence.

Your ascendant-ruler progressing through an angular house activates ALL the angular houses in unison by conjunction, square and opposition, bringing to the fore personal, domestic, career and public affairs, because the 1st, 4th, 10th and 7th act simultaneously. If there are planets in these houses they represent persons that are now actively registering in your life, and as doorkeeper [ruler of the ascendant—*Dave*] you are the key to their problems.

In a succedent house it activates ALL the succedent houses, emphasizing finances, circumstances and current affairs, creative expression, child affairs and friendships, memberships and sometimes politics, as well as debts, surgery and other 8th house matters.

If your doorkeeper is in a cadent house, activating ALL the cadent houses, then you occupy yourself primarily from behind the scenes in some service meant to reach others; tending, writing, teaching, preaching, and so on, reflecting the house matters of the 6th, 3rd, 9th and especially the 12th that could upset the main pattern at the time because it governs enforcement that interferes with freedom of choice. — **In the Beginning Astrology**, 1975. **Buy.**

Wikipedia and Astrology

DID you ever wonder why Wiki articles on astrology were sparse and generally bad? There is a reason. Wiki has declared astrology to be a **pseudo-science**.

I was, frankly, shocked. I did not think such a hoary old term — an offensive one — would still be in use in polite society. As such, **Wiki prohibits astrologers from writing about astrology**, or about anything else, once they've been exposed as astrologers. This is in line with their policy of "**in-universe**" which is that **astrological sources cannot be referenced in articles about astrology**. Or about anything else. The only acceptable astrological references are peer reviewed articles by accepted academics. Which, of course, are few, and when they appear are generally simplistic, erroneous and hostile.

I'm not joking. A couple of months ago, on the Wiki **Astrology page**, the lead of the subsection on **Vedic astrology** began, "*Hindu astrology is oriented toward predicting one's fate or destiny.*" This was attributed to **James Braha** and is, on the face of it, innocuous, if rather dressed up. Clients of Vedic astrologers, in India, want to know when they will get rich. Boil it down and there are few other questions asked.

Wiki editor **Other Choices** declared this was unacceptable because it was sourced to the "*in-universe*" astrologer **James Braha**. *I raised the concern that this wasn't a reliable source, but no other editor shared this concern, and the addition to the article was allowed to stand. If the editors on this page continue to consider Braha to be a reliable source, that's fine with me.* (emphasis in original. Read Wiki's Talk pages.)

The opening of the Vedic section was then changed to, *Hindu astrology originated with western astrology*, which every Vedic astrologer knows to be a lie, but as **David Pingree** (a weak Vedic scholar with no knowledge of modern practice) said it, it could be sourced to him and passed as truth, and my objections ignored. This mindless detail shows the extent to which Wiki will go to exclude and prohibit astrologers.

But it gets better. Wiki has a policy, which I don't think is quite stated, of "**no contamination**." Which means that, as in

the case of the **Antikythera mechanism**, a strange, unique and masterful collection of gears from the first century BC discovered in the Mediterranean a century ago and which, so far, has no known use, even the suggestion that it was a mechanical ephemeris is prohibited, as it would contaminate an otherwise scholarly article. Academics must make that discovery and so far, as you might expect, academics have not done so.

And it's not because academics are hostile, but that they simply have not the training, much less the knowledge, to know how ancient astrology was actually practiced. (Which, so far as I can tell, both Pingree and Neugebauer lacked.)

I have spent the week trying to coax Wiki out of this foolishness. Science could say *it does not understand*, that it *sets such matters aside*. This was rejected. Repeatedly. Science is omniscient. Scientific consensus is the most flawless thing ever seen on this planet.

WHEN science labels things as "pseudo," and puts the full weight of its authority behind it, **science becomes coercive**. It becomes dogmatic. It becomes inhuman. When it compounds the error with compulsive belief in its current fads, such as **Evolution** and **Global warming**, it becomes the 16th century Church, the one that Luther rebelled against. This is not to deny these topics, but to realize the *underlying force of science*.

If I don't like your God I am free to find one I do like, or even go without, but not so with science. Science declares itself to be not an opinion, nor a belief. **Science is reality itself**. Therefore denial of science is denial of reality. There is no escape.

Those who practice a pseudoscience, those who charge money for it, are therefore deluded or stupid or defective. If not that, they are knowingly dishonest and deceitful.

DO YOU see where this is going? If science, which determines reality, declares astrology to be fake and those who practice it to be charlatans, then we're back to the ordinances prohibiting the practice of astrology, we're back to the English **Vagrancy Act**, which was used to prosecute Alan Leo and which led to his premature death in 1917. The Vagrancy Act had been

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Part 113:

Interpretation of Directions, *continued*

Midheaven. Aspects to the midheaven are similar in nature to those to the Sun and affect profession, honour, business, and the parents.

Ascendant. Aspects to the ascendant are similar to those to the Moon, affecting the health and causing changes and journeys.

Any of the above matters may be stimulated by direction, the effect being favourable or the reverse, according to the nature of the aspect, the conjunction being good or evil according to the bodies concerned. The particular influence can only be judged by a consideration of the signs and houses involved, and it is therefore of little use to give details of the effect of each planet upon the others.

In Mutual Directions the matters pertaining to each planet are affected, but in lunar aspects the chief effect comes from the planet aspected by the Moon and the houses and signs containing it and ruled by it, as the Moon in this case acts in a negative manner and excites the influence of the other body. It should be remembered that directions not only produce events but also bring into the life people of the types ruled by the bodies forming the aspects and who answer in personal appearance or character to the planets, signs and aspects that are being stimulated. The conjunction and parallel in particular always introduce the native to new people or surroundings. — *A Student's Text-Book of Astrology*, 1922. Price \$25.95. **Buy.**

September 30:
1927—Babe Ruth hits 60 home runs.
1935—Hoover Dam dedicated.
1938—Munich Agreement signed: Peace!
1955—James Dean dies.

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The Houses

THE FIRST HOUSE

This rules the physical body, considered as the instrument through which the higher principles that make up man manifest materially. It affects health, temperament, and the physical build and appearance.

Everything that is in the horoscope has to manifest in everyday life *via* the rising sign, or sign on the cusp of the 1st house, which thus becomes a kind of lens through which all influences have to pass, suffering modification in doing so. Thus the 1st affects the more obvious and easily noticed part of the disposition; it shows the person as he or she appears to the casual acquaintance, and denotes the *manners* of the individual, as much as any one part of the nativity may be said to do so.

THE SECOND HOUSE

This rules possessions of all kinds; the material that goes to the support of the living body shown by the 1st, the financial condition and the native's attitude towards money, and his worldly resources.

It has some influence on his *feelings*, and what may be called true character, or principle, and must be taken into consideration in judging these things, especially if planets are in it.

THE THIRD HOUSE

This concerns relations and relationships and all means of intercommunication (upon which, of course, relationships depend, since one cannot be related to a thing without a means of maintaining communications with it). Thus we have blood-relations, especially brothers and sisters; letters, books, and writing of all sorts; short journeys (those that are of a routine rather than an explorative kind); all things that are used for such journeys, as trams, bicycles, and motors; and, above all, speech, with which we are able to bring our own mind into contact with those of others.

The Principles of Astrology, by C.E.O. Carter. \$21.95. **Buy.**

Chiron

KEYWORDS

THE most potent keyword representing Chiron is **MAVERICK**. This word came from **Samuel A. Maverick**, an American pioneer and rancher, who did not brand his cattle (unlike the other ranchers around him). The word came to mean one who takes a stand apart from his associates; an independent individual who refuses to conform to his own group; one who does not align himself with any party, faction or particular stand; one without the mark of the herd branded into his side as it is in his contemporaries. Mavericks may make enemies among those who do belong to some particular group, for those people may feel, "If you are not with us, you are against us." Yet as far as the Maverick is concerned he is neither for or against their principles. This is where Chiron differs from both Saturn and Uranus. Saturn wants to uphold tradition, and defend traditional beliefs. Saturn creates an "us-or-them" division. Uranus wants to break down the old, often to the point of being an iconoclast. Uranus can easily get the urge to "blow up" the very structure of the group. But Chiron, the MAVERICK, neither defends nor overthrows the establishment. Rather, it is apart from it.

HEALING and **WHOLEMAKING** are Chiron words. When one has an imbalance (too much or too little of something), one needs to rectify the situation as soon as possible. If not it can lead to health problems, either physical, emotional or even spiritual. If one is closed off one may be keeping oneself from becoming whole by not even being aware of whole other worlds out there to explore and make one complete. Saturn can be a wall which keeps us protected from whatever is outside yet also isolated from new experiences and necessary growth. — *Essence and Application, A View From Chiron*, by Zane Stein, \$27.95. **Buy.**



used to suppress astrology for centuries, as every living British astrologer should well-know.

Do you remember old episodes of the TV show, **Dragnet**? How the brave Joe Friday and his sidekick, Bill Gannon (1967) tracked down and busted little old lady tarot readers for bunko? That's where I learned the word, bunko, from Dragnet. It's slang for fraud.

That is what Wiki has in store for us. What Wiki is reintroducing. Astrology is fake, we are frauds, we should be prohibited from practice.

Now I introduce **Pat Robertson**. He's a fundamentalist preacher. He has repeatedly said, in speech as well as in print, that if you have astrologers in your town, you should physically run them out. (I can handle that. If they should turn up at my door, I'd let them sit five hours in the sun and then order them pizzas.) If Robertson, or one of his fundamentalist associates, should discover Wiki's pseudo list, take Wiki at its word, and then lean on some Republican friends, the result would be a pseudo-morality act in a state legislature. America's very own Vagrancy Act. And that would be a nightmare.

WHICH brings me to some recent history. By the 1980's astrology's legal situation in the US had become intolerable. Practicing astrologers were being arrested for fraud. No, it wasn't a common thing, but the threat was out there. A client who had a bad experience or who didn't like you — or who wanted to trap you — had only to go the local police and make a complaint and then insist on it. Did you give him a tape? Foolish person! And the resulting knock on the door was the end. Once you came to the attention of the police, you became a target. You were never safe. You were forced to leave town. Did you have a family? Too bad. Would you risk telling your neighbors you were an astrologer? I wouldn't. My neighbor is a part-time fundamentalist preacher.

I lived in west Los Angeles for a year in the mid-1980's. At the time the City of Los Angeles had anti-astrology ordinances on the books. As it happens, the *City* of Los Angeles is not the same as the *County* of Los Angeles and there were odd corners, tucked away here and there, that fell outside the City and therefore outside the anti-astrology ordinance. Houses along those streets invariably had signs saying "psychic reader," "tarot reader," or "astrologer" on their lawns. As I suspect some of my readers will remember, this was the practical result of outright suppression.

The only way around this was to get your-

self a fake certificate of religious ordination. The only way to be safe was to become a Minister, a Reverend. There was an outfit in Los Angeles itself that sold these by the thousand. Once you were an ordained minister, you were protected by the First Amendment. Subsequently on your business cards, in your advertising, on your letterhead, you put "Rev." in front of your name. Some of my older readers will remember this. Will we be forced to return to that world of lies and deceit?

At that time the newly formed **AFAN**, the Association for Astrological Networking, came to the rescue, led by the tireless — and now deceased — **Jayj Jacobs**. He worked for the repeal of anti-astrology ordinances, with great success. After a couple of years it was enough for AFAN to notify a community that it should remove restrictive ordinances, and they were gone.

While Jacobs led the fight and was himself legally savvy, it does not seem he was a practicing attorney. Which gives me heart, for that means he was working with others who are still with us. We need their help.

IF YOU THINK Wiki's pseudoscience will not be used to condemn astrology, you are mistaken. Wiki itself admits many of its editors are anti-astrology. Astrology has many enemies, always has, and always will. Since the general revival under **Hindsight** (did you know Wiki recently deleted its **Hindsight** page?) coupled with the power of the internet, astrology has grown greatly in stature in only a few years. Along with that increased stature will come increased suppression. Astrology reveals truth, astrology strips the powerful of their lies and deceptions. Because of this, the powerful will do anything to suppress astrology. It is the same now as it has always been. Science suppresses astrology to cover up its inadequacies. Wiki is merely carrying water.

IN WIKI'S favor, it is presumably a collection of inexperienced yahoos who do not know how the world works and who think their simplistic ideas are right and necessary and harm no one, but that's also the same opinion the early Enlightenment leaders held. The people who successfully ran astrology into the ground 350 years ago. The problem is not only one of perception, but of complacency and relative power. Wiki has the power. We must not be complacent. We will suffer, all over again, if we are.

On its **opening page**, Wiki declares itself to be a *free encyclopedia that anyone can edit*. It is *the largest and most popular general reference work on the Internet*. It declares it has departed from the *expert-driven*

style of encyclopedia building and the presence of a large body of unacademic content have received extensive attention in print media. Further, Wiki itself states that, *[t]he open nature of Wikipedia has led to various concerns, such as the quality of writing, the amount of vandalism and the accuracy of information. Some articles contain unverified or inconsistent information*.

Wiki says a 2005 investigation in **Nature** showed that the science articles they compared came close to the level of accuracy of *Encyclopædia Britannica* and had a similar rate of "serious errors". It also reports that **Britannica** replied that the study's methodology and conclusions were flawed.

Under **Editing**, Wiki declares, *[i]n a departure from the style of traditional encyclopedias, Wikipedia is largely open. This means that, except for particularly sensitive and/or vandalism-prone pages, which are "protected" from some degree of editing, the reader of an article can edit the text as he or she sees fit, anonymously or with a user account.* (underlining: Dave) This opening paragraph concludes with, *[n]o article should be owned by its creator or any other editor, nor vetted by any recognized authority.* (underlining: Dave)

I AM not a legal theorist, I have no legal training, but it would appear that Wiki's doctrine of pseudoscience is in violation of its own general principles, which clearly do not include fighting science's battles for it. It is also clear that Wiki was never anyone's private turf and is in fact a public resource. If I am correct, then, if there was money and if there was the will and if there was persistence, a protracted court case would end with Wiki being declared to be truly open to all. This is the sort of thing that corporations, with unlimited budgets, do to each other. It is not the sort of thing starving astrologers do.

On the other hand, there is no law that prohibits astrologers from speaking for themselves, which puts Wiki outside the law. We have the same rights as all other human creatures. A simple injunction may do the trick. If so, well-worded letters to **Jimmy Wales** and **Larry Sanger** may be all that is necessary. In this regard, AFAN has 30 years case-law history and can give expert advice. Cunning is nine-tenths of the law, and cunning does not require money. (Do I hear Jayj whispering in my ear? I hope so!)

WHAT IS WIKI?

I skimmed Wiki's history on Friday, paying no attention to it. Then early on Sunday morning I sat bolt upright in bed. All the

Which is why people such as Pauling invariably end up excluded.

Such is how the Encyclopedia imposed its mechanistic, materialistic, “Enlightened” ideology upon the world. Resulting in *a wholesale loss of culture*. **Wiki, the new Encyclopedists, are imposing the same ideology. It must be stopped from doing so.** These people are dangerous.

If my proposed time of 3 pm is more or less correct, then the current Jupiter station on Wiki’s ascendant, along with the long-running opposition to Pluto, makes this a transformative moment in Wiki’s history. **Wiki will either accept astrology, or astrology and Wiki will cleanly separate.**

The time is now. *We can do this.*

DEMANDS

Here is what we want. I don’t think it’s negotiable:

- **Astrology removed from the pseudo list.**
- **All “in-universe” restrictions removed.**
- **All other restrictions and conditions pertaining to Astrology and its related subjects removed, including “contamination.”**
- **Anti-Astrology editors curbed.**
- **All Astrology and astrology-related articles to be subject to qualified astrological review and edit.**
- **Astrologers to have the right to comment on all Wiki articles as astrologers see fit.**
- **Wiki by-laws and covenants changed to reflect these demands.**

I DON’T KNOW if we’ve got the stomach for a fight, but I don’t know that we have a choice. Wiki, or someone like Wiki, is going to use pseudoscience to go after us, it’s just a matter of time. I haven’t got any money, I’ve never had any, I don’t think a lot of us do, but **I will donate to a legal defense fund to the limit of my ability.**

Again. I am literally shocked that we can be labeled as “pseudopeople.” It sticks in my throat, like *cunts* and *niggers*, but unlike those ugly words, pseudoscience is not a casual epithet uttered by a mindless bigot. **Astrology as pseudoscience is the declared reality. Like slaves in the South, we are worthless as human beings if we let this stand.**