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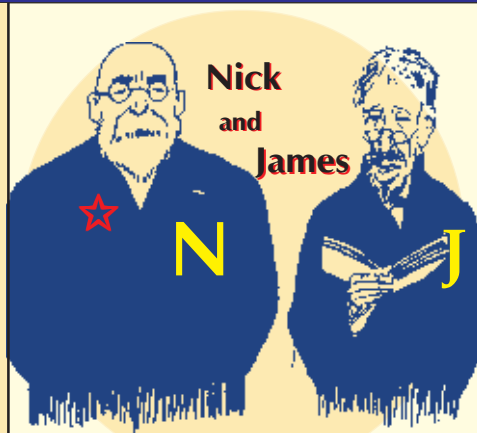
## This Week in Astrology

**T**HIS week the **Mountain Astrologer** published my letter. Dec-Jan issue, the very first one. I was honored. I had written about Lauren Thyme's proposed rectification of Mr. Obama's chart (11:52 pm) & wondered if she had the AM/PM wrong, as I have rectified to about 10.45 am. What I didn't say is that the more I study Mr. Obama, the more I think he is exactly what he appears to be: Chicago born & bred. Not Kenya. You think that left hook came out of a madrassa?

**A**LSO in the current TMA, **Mary Plumb's** splendid review of my new edition of Charles Carter's **The Principles of Astrology**. She writes, "*The Principles of Astrology* is a wonderful book, to be appreciated by astrologers at all levels of experience. Charles Carter had an elegant &

warm view of astrology & the human being. He writes, '*Hence the student should strive above all to master the real meanings or ideas underlying the factors of Astrology & should try to apply them for himself.*' He will find many difficult problems, for life is full of complications, paradoxes & surprises; we understand little of ourselves & less of others. But when he has acquired experience he will find that he can trust Astrology as he can trust nothing else.'"

**M**ERCURY DIRECT leads off with an article by **Diana Rosenberg** on why there are only 12 signs of the zodiac, not 14. Diana is the greatest living expert on fixed stars & constellations. I wrote TMA a brief thanks for featuring me & my books, and for the fun of it, I included an excerpt from an article that appeared here on **July 14**, in which I argued that signs of the zodiac are the result of the Earth/Sun relationship, projected upon a background of stars. Today, looking through the Rudhyar books for juicy things to extract, I find the Dane had pretty much the same idea, decades ago. Which just goes to show that we're all fools, endlessly reinventing the wheel. Now if I could only remember what book I found it in. Rudhyar's books do seem to blur together after a while.



## DUELING DICTIONARIES

At Random

**James Wilson, 1819:** The quarters of the year are also said to have considerable effect in a nativity & with truth; for assuredly children born in March particularly, and in the spring generally, are stronger in constitution, and longer lived, on average, than those born in winter....  $\sigma$ ,  $\hbar$ , &  $\text{U}$ , ascending, show a mark or blemish in the face, though the latter can have no effect...

**Nicholas deVore, 1947: Fourth Dimension:** The interrelationship of space & time, as developed by contemporary physicists, makes Time the Fourth Dimension of Space. The concept has no immediate application to Astrology, but its comprehension makes more understandable the factors upon which all astrological considerations are based.

## ALMANACK

for the week (all times GMT)

Notes

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23	10:39	☾ ♂ ♂	
	19:45	☾ ♂ ♃	
	22:02	♀ □ ♃	

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November 19

1959 – The Edsel dies.

1977 – Anwar Sadat visits Israel



## STAR OF THE WEEK



**BUNGULA** aka *Alpha Centauri* 29  $\text{M}$ , 36

**Notes:** A binary star, white & yellowish, on the left forefoot of the Centaur. According to Bullinger it bore the ancient name Toliman, meaning the Herebefore & Hereafter. It is the nearest to our system of all the stars & lies at a distance of about 275,000 times that of the earth from the Sun.

**Influence:** According to Ptolemy it is of the nature of Venus & Jupiter; and, to Alvidas, of Mars with the Moon & Uranus in Scorpio. It gives beneficence, friends, refinement & a position of honour.

**With Sun:** Envious, self-centered, slow but fairly successful progress, many enemies, loss of inheritance.

**With Moon:** Popular, many friends, diplomatic, secret bad habits, excessive drinking, involved in disputes but emerges successfully.— from **Fixed Stars**, by Vivian Robson

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## IVY'S GEM OF THE WEEK

### Shall I become poor, and how?

**I**F wealth is not shown to be probable, poverty is to be guarded against if the malefics are in the 2nd and retrograde, intercepted or afflicting the ruler of the 1st or 2nd or the benefics or Fortuna; or if there are several planets in the 2nd dissipating the finances by bad aspect to the malefics and no mutual reception to get them out of the purse and lessen the drain. Mars or the Sun afflicted in the 2nd will waste the assets.

Pisces and the 12th House have much to do with need, and if the ruler of the 2nd is afflicted in this house or Sign, there will be time of need: especially if the Part of Fortune is in the 12th House or the 12th Sign Pisces or the Pisces decanate of Cancer or Scorpio and afflicting the Ascendant, its ruler or a planet there.

The ruler of the 2nd in the 2nd (of a poverty chart) shows loss of money through misguided management, or a sale at no profit. In the 3rd, financial loss through documents and personal contacts. In the 4th, through unproductive land deals or loans to relatives. In the 5th, by gambling, speculation, loans to children or in entertainment projects, or by joint ownerships. In the 6th, through illness and loss of work; servants & tenants, and small animals. In the 7th, by partnerships, marriage, the law and war service. In the 8th, through unfair settlements or by Wills. In the 9th, by insurance. In the 10th, by lack of employment. In the 11th by demotions, lack of a sponsor, lost wages, or taking poor advice. In the 12th by mistakes & sharp practice. — **Simplified Horary Astrology**, 1960

November 19

1985 – Reagan meets Gorbachev, Geneva

A S T R O L O G E R O F T H E W E E K

## DANE RUDHYAR 1895–1985

**B**ORN Daniel Chennivière, on March 23, 1895, 12:42 am, Paris, the young Dane was said to be a sickly child. He was also said to be of Spanish ancestry. Whatever the case, in 1916, aged 21, he boarded a ship for New York. I mention this as, by 1916, the French were hard-pressed for soldiers & would not have let a young man escape so easily.

Up to about 1930, his primary interest was music, both avant-garde & Hindu, as well as poetry. This led him to Theosophy and eventually, to Alice Bailey. At the same time he was an early student of the works of C.G. Jung. From this, he took an interest in astrology, for which he is best-known today. He was an early contributor to **Paul Clancy's** American Astrology magazine. After a lifetime's work he was abruptly "discovered" in the late 1960's & became a minor media star. Most of his surviving books date from the 1970's & '80's. He it was who invented **Humanistic Astrology**. The Dane passed away, aged 90, the year before I got my first job in astrology, which, as it happens, was with one of his publishers, The New York Astrology Center / ASI.

*Here are notable quotes from  
some of his books:*

**W**HAT we are witnessing today is the gradual emergence of a picture of the universe which presents us with a special problem, for it demands the acceptance of a *new dimension of reality*. This "fourth dimension" can be defined by the elusive, yet revealing word: INTERPENETRATION. What is implied by it is that the universe & our total beings "interpenetrate." The era of isolated, irreducible, and quasi-absolute individualities, as well as of totally distinct & unrelated physical-material objects, is passing away. — pg. 7, **The Galactic Dimension of Astrology, The Sun is Also a Star**, 1975.

**T**HE problem of astrological symbolism is that of correctly (i.e., significantly) identifying the order manifest in the cycles of celestial bodies in relation to the earth-observer, and the order which is usually *not* manifest in human nature & human life, but for which man psychologically yearns; and which becomes an actual inner reality to the spiritually awakened individual. The man who is enmeshed in the continual warfare of primordial & natural elements finds in life nothing but chaos & chance; from which re-



sults fear. The man who sees these elements as functional parts of a cosmic whole, harmonized by outwardly complex, yet inherently simple laws of "functional coherency," overcomes fear. — pg. 67, **The Astrology of Personality**, 1936.

**I**F we are to speak significantly of a "new" morality we have to refer to an attitude to life according to which the *moral value* of any action depends almost exclusively on the conscious meaning this action has for the individual performing it. According to such an attitude morality refers to consciousness, rather than to action. It is how an individual person sees & relates himself in thought & feeling to the action which makes it moral or immoral, good or bad — and to use terms emphasized by existentialist philosophers, authentic or unauthentic. — pgs. 111-2, **Person-Centered Astrology**, 1980

**S**PACE is the Eternal Virgin, the absolute potentiality of numberless cosmic actualizations. Trillions of possible universes, each of which could sing its special song & reveal in its cyclic harvest a particular quality of existence brought to a state of perfection, are implied in its silence. They are born & die, protecting their specific solutions to the inexhaustible problems of existence in space-time fields of mental awareness, cosmic shells within which grow the multi-layered Pearl of Attainment, the harvest of meanings crystallized by pain & overcoming — Virgo, pg. 45, from **Astrological Insights into the Spiritual Life**, 1979.

**ACT 1: DIFFERENTIATION**

SCENE ONE: *DESIRE*

(Aries 1° to Aries 15°)

**FIRST LEVEL: ACTIONAL**

PHASE 1 (ARIES 1°): A WOMAN JUST RISEN FROM THE SEA. A SEAL IS EMBRACING HER. — **An Astrological Mandala**, pg. 29, 1973.

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WHO WHEN  
WHAT

## ELECTIONAL ASTROLOGY

### Part 35: Buying & selling, part iii

**I**N either buying or selling it is important to keep the Moon & Mercury free from the conjunction or any aspect of Mars, for that always hinders the business & causes discord & wrangling. Some authors add that Cauda exercises the same effect. If the Moon is passing from the first quarter to the full, it is best for selling; while if from full to the last quarter it is best for buying. From the last quarter to the New Moon is the best time for buying things which the buyer would conceal or keep secret. In selling it is also advantageous for the Moon to be swift in motion & in good aspect to the benefics at her entrance into the first quarter.

In buying to sell again fortify the Moon particularly, and also Mercury, the lord of the second house and if possible the lord of the ascendant. Let the Moon be in conjunction or good aspect with Mercury, strong by sign & house, and free from affliction, especially by Mars. Fortify the Moon, the eleventh house & its lord if Mercury cannot be fortified, but at least see that Mercury is free from conjunction or any aspect of Mars, and if possible let it be in conjunction or good aspect of Venus . . .

— **Electional Astrology**, by **Vivian Robson**

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## Foreword

**D**URING the Second World War there was, as was natural, a considerable amount of interest in Political Astrology, and my attention, as well as that of many others, was attracted to this work as never before.

It soon became apparent that new methods & a vastly more copious & more trustworthy collection of data were needed; but this was more easily perceived than effected. Nevertheless something was achieved & now it seems worth while to place on record some of the conclusions that were reached and as many of the data as are sufficiently reliable as to merit preservation. Furthermore, it is helpful to examine difficulties even if they cannot be immediately overcome.

At the moment the horoscope of the individual, or nativity, appears to be the principal field of astrological study. But actually the nativity cannot adequately be considered as isolated from the social environment, as represented astrologically by other horoscopes of greater amplitude. Could the naticities of the victims at Hiroshima all have indicated the death and ruin that overtook them on the fateful day of August 1945? Perhaps, and yet the horoscope of that city, could it have been studied, would surely have been helpful in judging them.

Sooner or later, I believe, “mundane” astrology will have to be replaced at the top of the astrological tree, and the more the State controls the individual, the truer this will be.

Yet not much has been done in this field. Alan Leo’s ventures into political prognostication were feeble & unsuccessful. Sepharial had brilliant achievements to his credit, and left us valuable hints, but he did not work systematically. — *from An Introduction to Political Astrology*, by **C.E.O. Carter**. Part of **Mundane Astrology**, by **Green, Raphael & Carter**.

## CHAPTER SEVEN THE JUDGMENT OF THE HOROSCOPE : DESTINY

**I**N this Chapter we must consider, from the twelve houses and the indications affecting them by sign and planet, what the lot of the native is likely to be in respect of health, finance, and other more or less external matters. At the same time we cannot too closely lay to heart that character and destiny are largely inseparable. At times we may believe we have found a temperamental trait that has affected nothing in the outer life, and more often we shall be tempted to say that some event that has befallen ourselves or another “had nothing whatever to do with character”. But the more closely we examine such cases the more careful we become of making such assertions.

In more advanced text-books the reader will often find the questions of destiny treated in great detail and at considerable length. The influence of each planet in each house is considered, and often numerous aphorisms, many of them dating from medieval and earlier times, are added. These are of much use if read as suggestions, and they often teach the beginner a great deal and may put him on the right track. But so complex is the horoscope that it rarely happens that these descriptions are correct in word and spirit. Mars in the 2nd in Cancer is very different from Mars in 2nd in Leo, and even if it be in the same sign in each of two cases, a trine of Jupiter in one and a square of the Sun in the other may alter the apparent result altogether. *Hence the student should strive above all to master the real meanings or ideas underlying the factors of Astrology and should try to apply them for himself.* He will find many difficult problems, for life is full of complications, paradoxes and surprises; we understand little of ourselves and less of others. But when he has acquired experience he will find that he can trust Astrology as he can trust nothing else. — **The Principles of Astrology**, by **C.E.O. Carter**.

