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The Huber system returns

BRUNO and Louise Huber invented a unique blend of psychology, astrology and forecasting in Switzerland, starting in the late 1950's. It centered around the **Lifeclock**, or age progression, a symbolic form of forecasting that starts at birth at the ascendant, and progresses around the chart, in the direction of the zodiac, at the rate of six years per (Koch) house. The entire cycle takes 72 years. At 18 the Age Point (AP) hits the 4th house cusp, at 36 the 7th house, at 54 the 10th. Many programs calculate the AP.

There are a total of 13 books. In the late 1980's Weiser published a number of them. I'm not sure just yet if we can get all of them, nor do I have prices, but they should turn up over the next month.

ALMANACK

for the week (all times GMT)

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IN **Skeet Shooting** I gave a couple of theories for astrology. One, that the Sun-Earth relationship, not the constellations, created signs of the Zodiac; and that astrological energies, in general, were a form of planet-to-planet "resonance."

I've had time to think since and I've come to the surprising conclusion that astrological energies are primarily of the Earth itself. Only a little bit from the sky. That we've had it precisely backwards. In a stroke I've created a huge, vast playground where everything in western astrology, everything in Vedic astrology, everything in Chinese and Mayan and Tibetan astrology, all have a place.

I've shot this idea to three or four people I know and, so far, the result has been deafening silence. Not sure if they don't understand, or if they don't like it and are too polite to call me a fool.

I'm going to write this up in my next book (next year, I hope), but are there any brave folks who would like to see it serialized in the newsletter? Astrology is how you live in harmony with the Earth itself.

Which makes astrology the ultimate eco-system.



STAR OF THE WEEK



The ASCELLI *delta & gamma Cancri 7♁42 and 8♁53*

Legend: The Ascelli represent the asses ridden by Bacchus & Vulcan in the war between the Gods & Titans.

Notes: Two straw-coloured stars known as the North Ascellus and South Ascellus from the Latin *ascellus*, a little ass, situated in the body of the Crab.

Influence: According to Ptolemy both the Ascelli are of the nature of Mars & the Sun. Together they give care & responsibility, with a charitable & fostering nature, but danger of violent death, serious accidents & burns. The joint influence is as follows:

If rising: Burning fevers, bad eyes, blindness of left eye, injuries by beasts, quarrels, slander from low women or vulgar persons, martial preferment

If culminating: Disgrace & ruin, often violent death

With Sun: Blows, stabs, serious accidents . . . — From **Fixed Stars**, by Vivian Robson

Ivy M. Goldstein-Jacobson
1893-1990

IVY'S GEM OF THE WEEK

Wynn's #14 Theory

TO know where the effect of a progression will be greatly felt, **Wynn's #14 Theory** is very usable. The number of the house where the progressed planet appears is subtracted from 14, resulting in the number of the house affected. In the grandchild case, the progressed planet was in the 6th affecting the 8th (14-6=8) which is the home-4th for the son-5th, accounting for the presence in his home of his wife's mother who took charge for a time.

Planets in the 1st and 7th houses register where they are because they do not leave these houses: 14-7=7th house and 14-1=13-12=1st House, so that your own affairs and those of another person always register more personally than otherwise.

Planets in the 4th and 10th are felt opposite in the 4th and 10th (14-10=4, and 14-4=10), so that home and business affairs affect each other interchangeably. Anything good or bad in one will be good or bad in the other. If there at birth it is forever liable; if by progression, it is liable for the duration of the progression in that house. Jupiter in either the 4th or 10th gives a legacy and a fine home, a good reputation and family lineage.

The #14 Theory is also valuable in reading the horary chart. A very ill or otherwise upset querent's ruler in the 6th is felt in the 8th, showing fear of surgery, death, or taxation, etc. In the 12th, hospital expenses register in the purse-2nd; the 11th and 3rd link as friends. — **All Over the Earth Astrologically**, 1963.

GET TO KNOW your government

THIS week I was going to feature **House Speaker John Boehner** (November 17 1949, Cincinnati, Ohio), but there was no birth time and he is such a colorless weeper that I despaired of wasting your time. In his chart you will note the usual political markings, the Moon/Neptune conjunction, Mercury square Pluto, and the extra added feature of Mars conjunct Saturn in Virgo, six degrees applying. He has a horsey face. Give him Sagittarius rising and let's move on.

This isn't a political or an economics blog, but an astrological newsletter. My point isn't to tell you what's wrong and then gnash my teeth, but to give you tools so that you might decide for yourself. We've just spent an exhausting month, or has it been two, wrangling over the debt ceiling, and though I write this on Sunday, it is certain to still be going on when you read this on Monday or Tuesday. With no end in sight.

NEXT up, **Senator Majority Leader Harry Reid**, born December 2, 1939, in Searchlight, Nevada. Searchlight is a few miles south of Vegas on US highway 95. His chart is a bit easier, as around 6:30 pm on that day the Moon shifted from Leo to Virgo. Harry has a Virgo Moon, dontcha think? Set him late enough in the day and he gets a Leo rising. Which makes one feel self-important. There is nothing more useful in astrology than to see it first hand. I once had a girlfriend with Leo rising and despite being a Pisces, she was the most self-important person in the room. Not a "boss", not a "leader", not an authority. Just self-important in her own head. If Harry had the Moon in Leo, he'd be pompous (like me!).

Harry has few of the distinguishing traits of a politician, which might be why it took him so long to become the man he is. Retrograde Mercury trine a retrograde Pluto, which makes for intense awareness. Moon widely opposed Mars is "distant opposition," to coin a term. Jupiter opposite Neptune (both, to my amazement, stationary/direct in motion), is chasing after the wrong goals in life, aka tilting at windmills. This well-meaning dilettante is now caught up in a titanic debt-crisis struggle. Some people are hidden gems

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Secrets
From A,
Stargazer's
Notebook

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Venus in Leo

WANT to get their attention? Two direct routes are available. Watch them show off. Laugh at their jokes—they tell great jokes. Ask them to order for you at one of their favorite gourmet restaurants. Watch them as they cross the proverbial crowded room. Solicit their considered opinion. Praise them, praise them, praise them.

There's another way. Be a show-off yourself. Hurl yourself up on a pedestal. Then praise them, praise them, praise them.

Defer quietly to them. Chivalry, courtliness, and noblesse oblige surprises them. Live it. These are displaced knights in shining armor, love-lost queens in a democratic age they never made. Remember Camelot.

Who cares if you have another lover? They do. But pride is more important to them, so they may try to pretend the Other does not exist. They are sure they can drive out all the competition and win you back. They can, but most people with Venus in Leo are proud. Mental health has a way of raising its ugly, unwanted little head even when they are rapturously in love. So they let you go to the Other. It hurts, but it's cool with them—after all, it's not your fault if you want to slum with lesser mortals. It is the fault of the king or queen for choosing a commoner in the first place. And, hell, they always have a waiting list.

Back rubs are their excuse for getting to you, so you can rub theirs for a change. Nipple rubs always work, but mind—they're sensitive! They love to sit around and have you bring them things. They love you to sit around and go off to get you things. It doesn't matter who does what, as long as it's *regal*.

Aphrodisiacs for Venus in Leo include the lion's share of grand cuisine, fine drinks, lively companions, and attention. Happily, this is the Venus sign most likely to be loyal, loving, warm and emotionally healthy in love.

Dress for attracting a Venus in Leo can be outrageous or dramatic; rainbow-colored hair is fine, as are capes, boiler suits, kimonos, and flamboyant colors, especially gold.

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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 51:
Money

The influence of planets on money is as follows:—

SUN. Money from father, superiors, business. Gives much money but also free expenditure.

MOON. Money from mother, females, public service, if elevated and strong from factories. Causes thrift but fortunes are changeful. Afflicted by Jupiter, improvident, indiscreet, and too generous; by Saturn, financial failure and if conjunct Saturn in an angle causes poverty. Ruling 2nd, in reception with the ruler, and placed in Asc. well aspected gives great wealth.

MERCURY. Gain by commerce, writing, agencies, travel, skilled work; danger of loss by theft. Aspected by Venus, refined occupations; Mars, industry & skill; Jupiter, judgement; Saturn, diplomacy; Uranus, inventiveness or speculation.

VENUS. Friends, pleasures, women. Free expenditure on pleasure or finery. Aspected by Saturn, investment or banking; Moon public; Jupiter, friends & foreign affairs; Uranus, acquaintances, peculiar methods. Afflicted by Mars, waste & extravagance; Saturn, fear of poverty, unavoidable loss; Uranus, sudden losses. Afflicted in the 2nd, loss by females or wife.

MARS. Strength & energy, legacy, marriage, Earns easily but spends freely. Afflicted by Jupiter extravagance; Saturn, poverty. If in 2nd afflicting Moon loss by war, fire or theft.

JUPITER. Religious affairs, shipping. Gives wealth. In good aspect to Saturn or Uranus (especially from 8th or 4th or these planets rule those houses) legacies & inheritance. Afflicted by Saturn or Uranus loss by law or trustees, often poverty. In 8th gain by marriage. If strong in 2nd, in good aspect to Moon or lord of Asc. in an angle gives ample fortune.

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DOG OF THE MONTH



“The Leo dog is really the KING of them all, or so he thinks. He is a fine actor & can be taught to do tricks for company if you are patient—but do not punish him if he doesn't get them right away,

he can be feeling tired that day.

He stylishly trots beside you when you're out walking, and is very alert. Quite an intelligent dog of distinction and dignity, with a lively personality.

These animals love extra attention, and they will look at you inquisitively when you talk to them.

Very sensitive egos, so don't raise your voice, or they'll pout for days. Give them the latest new toy if you want to make up to them. He respects his master, but wants you also to reciprocate

© Marian Futterman, 1976, **Your Dog and Astrology**, \$3.00. Yes, Marian, we still have copies. Some of the best sun-sign writing I ever came across.

 **The New Newsletter**

Most 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**

August 2, the deadline:
1870—Tower Subway opens.
1943—PT109 sunk (JFK).
1964—Gulf of Tonkin incident.

Atropos

IT might be said that all mythology addresses Fate—and its vicissitudes, but some asteroids are essentially about what is called “fate.” And this concept requires some defining of terms. While in classical tradition, *fate* was imposed by some *deus ex machina*, something that all but dropped out of the sky and enforced denouement, or issued the inescapable proclamation that dictated the course of life, it must be understood that *fate* too is a factor of conditioning. The abstraction we call *fate* may arise less as a protocol of an imposed will than as a learned paradigm; it is *constructed* by experience, experience that then builds expectations and models. One learns through the parents “how things end.” So, rather than dicta from the god(s), it is scripted prophecy circumscribed by the individual (which is not to say that it doesn't also emanate, doesn't *reincarnate*, from an antecedent casualty.) Among the specific asteroids of fate that we will discuss are Hybris (*hubris*), Atropos, Klotho (or Clotho), and Lachesis. We will distinguish among them in delineation, but these primary remarks are essential. These three wove the strands of the web of destiny, each in their own way. It is recommended that you read the sections on Klotho and Lachesis with Atropos, because the *moirai* belong together as progressive steps. . . . Continue to watch the hourglass as it nears the end, as the last few grains of sand fall to the bottom. That is Atropos. This image is both apt and useful. It carries the developing perception of time, sequence and events. At Atropos there is a sense of “too little, too late.” — **Orders of Light**

and when put to the test, rise to the challenge. But the weak remain weak. Such is the fate of both John Boehner and Harry Reid.

NEXT we look at **Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell**, born February 20, 1944, in Tuscumbria, Alabama. Again we have a day when the Moon changed signs, from Aries to Taurus. Judging by his love of gently humorous campaign ads (“Switch to Mitch” and “Get Besheared”), I would give him a Taurus Moon. Further along in Taurus, McConnell has a dead-on Mars-Saturn conjunction, with Uranus four degrees away. By definition these are not angular. He is not known for great intelligence, which means his Mercury (retrograde)/Jupiter trine is not angular. His personal life is relatively stable, which means his retrograde Venus in Aquarius is relatively obscure.

McConnell is rich. Wiki says \$32,756,000 as of 2009. I am unable to determine if he was born rich, but at age 69, it’s long been his own money. Which gives him placements in the second house. A guess at Mitch’s birth time would be 9:15 am Central War Time (CWT). You will note a 12th house Sun.

MISSING in this is of course the man himself, Barack Obama. I have long been of the opinion the current president was born in Chicago with a different name and assumed his current identity as a young adult. As such his purported birth data, August 4, 1961, 7:24 pm, Honolulu, Hawaii, is useless.

Which the chart easily demonstrates. Sun in Leo in the 6th, ruling the 7th, this is a man who uses partners, needs partners, is never long without a partner. That partner, qualified by the sign of Leo, dominates this individual. All the more so because the Sun, ruler of the 7th, is itself “hiding” in the 6th, which is the 12th house of the 7th. The Sun (Obama) wants to be the partner’s servant. His partner’s boss, if the Sun can get away with it. Of whom in Obama’s circle does this fit? His wife Michelle? His friend and advisor Rahm Emanuel?

Obama’s partner is herself powerful, with powerful needs, as is shown by Uranus, the North Node, Pluto and Mars, shading from the 7th house into the 8th. She works in secret, since the ruler of the 7th is hidden twelve houses away. Any way you look at it, read-just your focus and you can clearly see that Obama is not his own man. Can’t you? It’s so obvious !!!

Checking Obama’s other luminary, the Moon, we find it in Gemini in the 4th, but

not in agreement with the sign on the cusp of the 4th, which is Taurus. Obama enjoys his home, which, in Taurus he is too lazy to leave (Taurus being lazy), and which, ruled by Venus in Cancer, he is too insecure to risk leaving, Cancers never giving up their shells. Besides, one can get up to all manner of creative fun while at home, as is shown by the Moon’s sign of Gemini, and Venus’ placement in the 5th. We expect a pretty home with many beautiful things in it. We are surprised to find a computerized nerve-center and a non-stop virtual party hidden inside it.

TURN again to the July 4, 1776 chart, set for Philadelphia. You will note Saturn at 14^o48’. Flash forward to summer, 2011. We are currently undergoing a Saturn return. Subtract 2011 from 1776 and you will get 235 years. Divide that by 29 – a Saturn cycle – to discover we are undergoing our 8th Saturn return.

The number 8 relates to Scorpio, which is intense, and to the 8th house, which is taxes and other people’s money, as well as death and regeneration, among other things. Saturn’s sign of Libra is the sign of balance and judgement, also of indecision and warfare. Saturn in Libra is said to be a placement of great wisdom, but in its history, America has not always been a very wise place. So now we are locked into a budget battle. How very Scorpicomic.

WHEN you get a theory right, one of the side benefits are ancillary details, things you were not looking for and had no reason to expect, that suddenly spring dramatically to life. For example, my revised theory of astrology. It says the Earth, beneath our feet, is the primary source of astrological energies. If a bell has a vibration, if an ordinary piece of metal has resonance when struck, then the Earth, with its vastly greater mass must have vastly more complex vibrations and resonances. And, as it is directly below our feet, those vibrations will permeate every person, place and thing on the planet. *Et voilà*, Astrology.

As an introduction this will have to do for the moment. I want to point out two things in connection with the never-ending debt wrangle:

First, the Earth’s own vibrations account for the Earth’s weather and its weather patterns. In other words, **AstroMeteorology** is nothing more than a synopsis of the Earth’s astrological vibrations at any given moment.

Second, humans can, when organized, interact with the Earth’s astrological vibrations on a wholesale level, provided they – the humans – are themselves making a co-

herent vibration of one sort or another.

Looking around, I would judge coherent human resonance to be rare, except in cases of widespread, extreme economic or political duress.

I am about to make a surprising conclusion, so I will again state the premises:

First, Astrology is a quality primarily of the Earth. Not of the sky.

Second, echoing Sepharia, these energies have their clearest impact on the weather.

Third, these energies are subtle enough that humans are not only influenced by them, but can interactively work with them. (“You create your own reality / The stars impel, they do not compel.”) Note these last two hinge on astrological energies being local. Not cosmic.

Therefore, in times of widespread, extreme political and economic duress, human discontent interacts with existing astrological energies to create bad weather.

You will immediately note widespread hardship in the 1930’s as a trigger for the Dust Bowl. You will note that years of Vietnam protest and then Watergate culminated in a massive tornado outbreak in the spring of 1974. Widespread disgust with George Bush led to Katrina in 2005. Anger with the current government led to massive tornado outbreaks in the midwest earlier this year. Each of these events led to many innocent fatalities.

In every case, the weather did not happen exactly where the social unhappiness was the most severe. Instead, outbreaks of extreme weather were seen in locations that were prone to severe weather, at times of year when severe weather was common.

I therefore hypothesize the current budget battle in Washington will lead to a series of severe hurricanes, starting later this summer. For those of you who live in hurricane-prone areas of the country, take the time to check your home’s hurricane/flood/wind/water/debris insurance. Remember insurance men are tricky. You need to check your coverage for specific storm components. And that your emergency kit is well-stocked and that you have an evacuation plan.

Be civil. Sometimes it really is a matter of life and death. Yours and mine.