
Uranus

the Shocker

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The planet that loves to turn everything upside down! The planet Uranus, the shocker. Wherever it goes, that's what it does. I would like to start with Uranus in Scorpio. Remember that one? 1975—for about seven years. What happened during that time period? Well, first of all, Uranus, hey, the planet of the unexpected going through Scorpio, the sign of sex, death and rebirth. What happened? Microsoft was founded in 1975...

AUDIENCE: *Watergate?*

BM: Watergate was in 1974. No, that was different. That is Uranus in Libra. We'll get to that. I am a Capricorn—one step at a time. But what did Uranus do some eighty-odd years earlier when it was going through Scorpio? What was happening in the 1890's? The Gay Nineties. It meant something different back then.

AUDIENCE: *Thomas Edison?*

The thing is, Edison, years earlier, you know, started building a power company. For ten years he had like two hundred customers. By the end of the 1890's he had two *million* customers. Again, Uranus the planet of electricity, in the sign of Scorpio, the sign of death and rebirth. Now that was a transformation. Going from gas lights to electricity. And, of course, electric railroads coming in at that time. A total transformation of just about everything.

URANUS IN THE FIXED SIGNS

How about Uranus in the opposite sign, Taurus? It is the planet of upheaval and Taurus is solid. So the only thing you get is like earthquakes. But

what kind of earthquakes? It was there at the start of World War II. I was born in 1941 with Uranus in 22° Taurus 16'. And it was then, at the end of the 1930's, that World War II was starting. Stability was threatened. The time it was there previously I believe was around the Napoleonic wars. And shortly afterwards when there was a complete upheaval—Uranus going through Aquarius. I had a client who a few years ago—he was a stock researcher and he actually researched back to the last time Uranus was in Aquarius, around the time of World War I. Again, Uranus. Well, it was Pluto that did it. But Uranus certainly helped. He said that there was a boom in tech stocks back then. Of course, the tech stocks then were companies making electric motors and things of that nature. But there was a real boom followed by a bust. How unusual? I'm sure that could only happen once. (Laughter) And we have the same thing again. Tremendous advances in electronics, a boom in the stocks followed by a bust.

How about the opposite? Uranus in Leo. Uranus was in Leo in the late 1950's. Now, this really ties in with Uranus in Cancer. Uranus went into Cancer in the early 1950's. And what did we have

have to have information filtered through one layer of bureaucracy after another. That is going to be the positive result of Pluto in the sign of Capricorn.

AUDIENCE: *There never was a need for middle management.*

BM: Well, with Pluto coming around, you suddenly see that. Pluto coming around destroys it and makes it totally irrelevant. Of course, it makes for greater utilization. You don't have to waste your time pushing paper. Your laptop does it. Your laptop is now the middle manager. Pluto going through Capricorn. It is going to be wonderful except for a couple of little things. This is a Cancer country. We are going to have Pluto go opposite our Sun for the first time ever. Let's see... When Pluto squared the Sun it was in Libra, when Nixon left office.

How about Pluto going through the sign of Cancer? Well, Pluto went through the sign of Cancer in the Roaring Twenties and the Terrible Thirties. When this country faced a big depression. Before Roosevelt got in there was talk of revolution in this country. There was talk of a military coup. They had this general—Smedley Butler, a Marine General. This one group wanted to put him in and Butler blew the whistle on them. But they couldn't arrest these guys because at that time there was no law against conspiring to overthrow the government of the United States. They probably wouldn't have been prosecuted anyway. They were all rich. But that was a time of tremendous challenge.

So now we are going to have Pluto going opposite the Sun of the United States. Oppositions always have to do with other people, with relationships. So this is going to be, again, an increased challenge for this country. Actually for all Cancer countries. They will all be going through upheaval.

I believe the Philippines also have the fourth of July as their Independence Day. There are a few other Cancer countries around. Also, this country is going to have its first Pluto return. We are a young country. Only like 240 odd years at the time of our Pluto Return. Our Pluto Return can also be a change in the direction of the country. Hopefully, by that time astrology will be recognized enough so that they will say, "Maybe we should change the capital; let's relocate the capital so we can get a better Pluto Return. Except, they would have to do it precession-corrected..."

By the way, our natal Pluto by precession-correction has precessed into early Aquarius. That, of course, means major challenges to the United States; also for England. England is Christmas Day, 1066, High Noon, the Coronation of William the Conqueror. Aries Rising, Sun in Capricorn, Moon in Pisces. Neptune in Aries in the first house. Pluto will be going over England's Sun too, so this is going to change a lot.

THE PLUTO CYCLE

Now there is one cycle that really concerns me about Pluto. You know that old Marc Edmond Jones saying that a planet doesn't really have an effect on the world until its discovery because it means it has come into human consciousness and that is when it really has its effect? Sure enough, Uranus was discovered in 1780 around the time of the American Revolution, the French Revolution and the Industrial Revolution. Neptune was discovered in 1846 with the discovery of photography. When Pluto was discovered we had Freudian psychology, nuclear weapons and totalitarian governments.

So now, just before Pluto was discovered it had an effect—it went into Cancer: the World Axis. It went into Cancer the last week of May, 1914. And within ninety days World