



YOU AND THE STARS

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AN ASTROLOGICAL POINT IN TIME—THE BROWN DECISION— May 17, 1954

Almost a quarter of a century ago, the Supreme Court declared segregation in public schools to be unconstitutional. On that day, May 17, 1954, the full Moon was in Scorpio-Taurus.

Astrologically, Pluto is the ruler of Scorpio and the detriment of Taurus. Discovered in 1930, Pluto—perhaps the smallest and farthest planet from the Sun—was then transiting the sector of the national chart relating to foundations. Traditionally, the positive Plutonic traits have been associated with legacies, insurance and inheritances while the more sophisticated view of this planet, however, is that it represents a dramatic shifting and renewal of creative outlooks. But the more negative aspect is of an enforced upheaval or destroying of the body as is required to perfect the masses. Thus, the full Moon in its sign placed a more positive emphasis on the care and protection of the masses and invoked its transformative powers leading to a great convulsion in our educational system as indicated by the long term influence of Pluto in Leo.

Lawyers from the N.A.A.-C.P. Legal Defense and Educational Fund set the stage for the action taken by the Supreme Court on the Brown decision. Thurgood Marshall and the Supreme Court concluded that "In the field of public education, the doc-

trine of "separate but equal" had no place. Separate educational facilities are inherently unequal which was also another indication of Pluto's extreme influence in Taurus. As the chain of events started to form, black children were escorted into all white schools by the National Guard. Again, for the first time blacks were allowed to vote in the deep south and public lunch counters were also opened to blacks. (To be continued.)

Editor's note: The preceding, "An Astrological Point in Time—The Brown Decision," was written by Sylvia Hairston. The following horoscope on the signs was written by astrologer-consultant James Tramble who is guest write for Sylvia Hairston who is on vacation.

ARIES — March 21-April 20
Emphasis is on the home and the domestic scene. Some of you will move to larger quarters, and 'tis the season for entertainment in your new abode. Expect lots of communication with the women-folk. Support for that new business idea can be found in your own backyard.

TAURUS — April 21-May 20
Happy Birthday Taureans! This is the time to recharge your batteries for the year ahead. Your concern with personal matters now is timely and should not be considered as selfishness. Female relatives play an important role in your life and are able to teach you something about yourself.

GEMINI — May 21-June 20

Luck abounds! Spend only if you need it. Travel seems to be the order of the day. Those you meet will leave an indelible impression; and there are indications of lasting friendships.

CANCER — June 21-July 22
Your ability to sense the moods of others will put you right there when sympathy, warmth and understanding are needed. The home and personal life is important to you; a very positive time to start negotiations towards investment in a new home or real estate.

LEO — July 23-August 22
Time to reinforce that grip; the charge that you have long awaited is just around the corner. A positive attitude must be maintained in all business concerns. Group activities for fun or business give you the inspiration you need.

VIRGO — August 23-September 22
A long journey may be in the offing for you; this is a favorable time to take the advantage. Any dealings with the law or legal affairs should be handled with tact and specificity. Examine your overall life goals at this time. It is important that they be a real expression of yourself.

LIBRA — September 23-October 22
Focus on professional and business concerns. In working with a group you are more sensitive and responsive to the general mood and are able to control your relationship with the group. Good period for public relations and sales.

SCORPIO—October 23-No-

ember 22

Study on mental journeys to expose yourself to ideas and concepts that are both revolutionary and liberating may be more practical than taking a trip to get away from your daily routine. Plan an outing with a partner or friend.

SAGITTARIUS—November 23-December 21

Emphasis on children. This is a good time for activities for fun and also to communicate your desires to your children. Listen closely as they talk to you as you can enlarge your mind even if this is not your intention.

CAPRICORN — December 22-January 19

You are able to voice your innermost thoughts at this time, and you should if you feel that something must be said. Do not allow pressures to build up within you that you do not express to those around you.

AQUARIUS — January 20-February 18

Activity on your job. The help you require is yours during this period. At some point you may find it necessary to allow "feelings" to become secondary in order to get the job done efficiently.

PISCES — February 19-March 20

Accent on self-expression. An especially good time to tell clearly how you feel about some subject. If others have been confused as to what you are doing or thinking in some areas, you should be able to communicate your thoughts and feelings.

Older Americans' Month

President Carter and Governor O'Callaghan have proclaimed May as Older Americans Month. Many communities in Nevada have scheduled special activities in May. On local and nation scenes, May is a special time to honor Older Americans for their continuing and past achievements, and to raise public awareness of their particular concerns. It is a time for each community to check how well it is doing for its older citizens' desire to lead independent, satisfying, productive lives.

The needs of older people are at least as varied as those of any other age groups. Urgent needs for some are housing, transportation, and well-balanced meals. Other needs are home health services, recreational, social, cultural, and educational. Most need productive activity - paid work, work at home, or volunteer service outside.

A universal need of all Americans and Nevadans over 60 is respect and dignity in their home, family, neighborhood, community, and nation. Basically, that is what Older Americans Month is about.

The elderly form a far greater proportion of the population than they did early in this century. While the population as a whole tripled from 1900 to 1978, the number of persons over 85 increased by 17 times, and the number of persons over 75 increased 10 times.

Educationally, the profile of the elderly becomes steadily brighter. Persons now in the 60-64 age group have a median of 12 years of education, whereas the average for all over-60's is 9 years of schooling.

There are many more women than men in the over-60 group - 135 women for each 100 men. As age rises, the disparity increases. There are five elderly women for every elderly widower. This is a major factor in the trend toward living alone. Another factor is greater financial independence. Almost 8 million Older Americans live alone, and the proportion is increasing. About a million Older Americans are in nursing homes. Many elderly are on the verge of losing their independence because of isolation, low income, disability or very advanced age.

At present there are 23 senior citizen centers in Nevada communities and there are six more in the development stage. Many communities have nutrition programs that serve well-balance hot meals to older people at group sites and carry meals to shut-in elderly persons. The Nevada Aging Services' Nutrition Program now supplies funds for 71 different sites. There are also health, minor home repair, transportation, legal, information & referral, and other senior social services operating throughout the State.

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