

Chapter 5

How To Gain Precision in Timing Events

In judging progressed aspects we are called upon not merely to decide what events are most likely to be attracted, but as nearly as possible when they are most likely to take place. Yet even as progressed aspects do not map SPECIFIC EVENTS, neither do they map the SPECIFIC TIME when a probable event will happen. All progressed aspects can do is to map peaks and valleys in the thought-cell reception of astrological energies of each of the ten different types.

Yet of the three important influences which determine when each event will happen in an individual's life, these planetary energies operate indirectly. The time of each event, as well as its specific nature, is determined by the intensity of the thought-cell activity of the individual's soul at various times in relation to the resistance of physical environment at those times to such specific thought-cell activity. That is, the event takes place whenever the pressure of thought-cell activity is powerful enough to overcome the resistance of physical environment to the event which the thought-cells are trying to bring about.

This means that if the physical environment offers exceptional facilities for some particular event soon after the thought-cells first begin to work to bring about the event, and long before the progressed aspect reaches its peak, and therefore long before the thought-cells reach their maximum activity, the event is likely then to take place. Or if the resistance of physical environment up to and beyond the peak of the progressed aspect and the maximum thought-cell activity is very high, but exceptional facilities are afforded for the event a little time before the aspect is beyond one degree from perfect, the mild thought-cell activity at this time, under the more favorable environmental conditions, may permit the event to occur long after the peak of the astrological aspect.

This will be made clear if you will give a little study to diagram 6. Here a represents the maximum thought-cell activity induced by a major progressed aspect of the Sun. b repre-

sents a physical environment which at the time the thought-cell activity has reached its peak exerts $1/3$ as much environmental pull (resistance) in the opposite direction. At the time the thought-cell activity is greatest c , the total pull toward attracting the indicated event is then represented by ac minus bc , or $1/2 ab$.

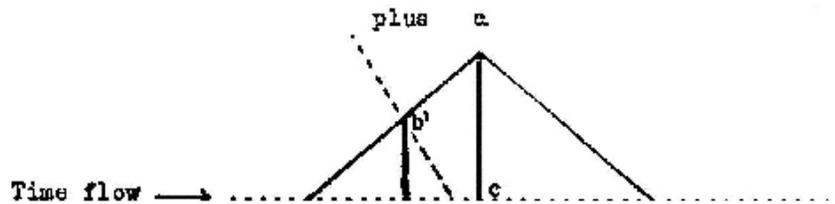


Diagram 6. Time of Event Shifted by Facility of Environment.

Yet at a point four months earlier, represented by c' , the total pull toward attracting the event is that of $b'c'$, representing the pull at that time exerted by the thought-cell activity, plus $b'c'$, representing the pull (facility) then of environment. As $b'c'$ is equal to ac minus bc , the total pull toward attracting the event four months before the progressed aspect is perfect and the thought-cell activity reaches its maximum, is just twice as great as it is at the point in time when the progressed aspect is perfect. Other things being equal, we could expect the event indicated by the progressed aspect of the Sun to happen four months before the aspect was completed.

Nor is such a condition as is represented in this diagram fanciful. Many events which occur in people's lives can only take place during certain definite periods in which the environment facilitates them. A person under a heavy major progressed affliction to Saturn might have his hands or feet frozen. But living in the Midwest, this event would be next to impossible during the summer. Yet during December, January and February the weather environment would give facilities for such an event. No cumulative thought-cell activity indicated by a minor progressed aspect to major progressed Sun opposition Saturn perfect during the summer would be likely to bring the event during the summer. But a minor progressed aspect to Saturn and a blizzard, six months before the major progressed aspect is complete might very well shift the event back six months to the preceding winter; or a minor progressed aspect to Saturn and a blizzard, six months after the major progressed aspect is complete might very well shift the event so it would occur during the winter after the major progressed aspect is complete.

There is often, for office workers, a fixed period of the year for vacations. And an event that the vacation would afford facilities for permitting might during this restricted period occur, even though in the time of year when no vacations were permitted the thought-cell activity were greater due to heavier minor progressed aspects and due to the

major progressed aspect being nearer its peak.

Certain crops are planted during a very limited period of the year, and an event given facilities by planting might be shifted forward or backward in time from the peak of thought-cell activity to come within this planting period. Certain crops are also harvested during a limited period, and an event given proper facilities for occurring in harvesting might be moved up or back in time to come within this period favorable to it. One crop farmers often sell their product during a certain month or two of the year, and receive practically no money the other ten or eleven months. And to such a farmer a progressed aspect indicating financial gain from the sale of a good crop, or financial difficulties due to a slump in the market price of his product, might very well reach its peak months before or months after the time of marketing, and the indicated event be moved by this environmental condition to coincide with the exact date of the marketing.

In some sections certain people only go to shooting matches at Thanksgiving time; and only to farm sales during the winter before the first of March. Under these environmental conditions, if a gunshot accident were indicated, a powerful set of minor progressed aspects in summer and early fall adding energy to the major progressed aspect climaxing in summer or fall might not bring the event, and a much less powerful minor progressed aspect on Thanksgiving, months after the major progressed aspect had passed its peak, might give the thought-cell activity which under the environmental conditions then present would attract the accident. Or in an event relating to the purchase of farming stock and farming tools, less thought-cell activity during January or February might bring the transaction when much greater thought-cell activity due to peaks of progressed aspects in July and August would have no facilities, and therefore would not attract such an event.

It will now be apparent that the physical environment (E) often is as important in influencing the exact date an event occurs, as it is in influencing how important (I) the event is,

how fortunate (F) or unfortunate, and its specific (S) nature. And the probable influence of physical environment (E) in thus influencing the three factors relating to its nature, must in each case be determined from knowledge of the physical environment rather than from the astrological factors.

Even the conditioning (B) of the thought-cells since birth, the evolutionary level (G) and the amount of effort at control based on knowledge of progressed aspects are beyond the province of astrology to ascertain. Yet aside from the conditioning (B) a certain group of thought-cells have had since birth to make them more active or less active than the birth-chart indicates them to be, we can get a very good picture of their activity at any particular time by considering the birth-chart (A)

activity in connection with major progressed aspects, minor progressed aspects and transits.

The general rule is that a minor progressed aspect or a transit aspect to one of the planets involved in the major progressed aspect; or a minor progressed aspect or a transit aspect adding energy to the house

whose thought-cell activity is accelerated by the major progressed aspect, increases the thought-cell activity through the accessory planetary energy thus added.

Therefore at various periods during the time a major progressed aspect is operative, there are separate peaks of thought-cell activity of the type indicated by the major progressed aspect. And if the thought-cell activity were all that had to be considered it would be possible to select the highest peak of thought-cell activity, and proclaim that the indicated event would transpire on that day.

But as previously indicated, the facts of our problem belong to two planes. They involve not only determining during the time the major progressed aspect is operative, when due to accessory planetary energy the thought-cell activity rises to high levels, but the amount of resistance of the environment to the indicated event at the times these high levels of thought-cell activity are present. Thus all we can do astrologically is to ascertain the times when the cumulative influence of planetary energy of certain types indicates the high points of thought-cell activity relative to the planets or the house chiefly involved in the anticipated event. And in this, while the transits of the more slowly moving planets should not be neglected, it will nearly always be found there is a minor progressed aspect of some consequence also adding energy to the thought-cells involved in the event. Minor progressed aspects are many times more powerful than the same aspect formed by transit.

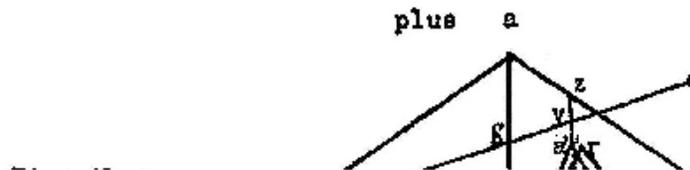


Diagram 7. Time of Event Shifted by Accessory Progressed Aspects.

Now let us see how, if environmental resistance to a given event remains constant, the accessory energy afforded by a minor progressed aspect to one of the planets involved in a major progressed aspect may, and often does, bring the peak of thought-cell activity of a given type considerably before or considerably after the peak of the major progressed aspect.

In diagram 7, if a represents the maximum influence exerted by a progressed aspect of the Sun, and the line de represents a progressed aspect forming by some slower planet to the planet with which the Sun is in aspect, then if there is a minor progressed aspect or transit aspect just four months later than c to one of the planets involved in the heavier aspect, represented by a'' , and if there is a sub-major (progressed aspect of the Moon) progressed aspect four and a half months later than c to one of the planets involved in the heavier aspect, then the maximum

pull toward the indicated event will be in the time-flow at x , just four months after the progressed Sun aspect reaches its maximum influence.

Under such circumstances the line xz plus the line xy plus the line xr (where the slope of the minor aspect intersects with the slope of the sub-major aspect) plus the line xa'' is greater than ac plus gc , and greater than any point on the line de plus the corresponding point in time on the slope representing the progressed aspect of the Sun. As a consequence, if the resistance of the physical environment prevents the event from occurring sooner, it may very well be shifted along the time-flow to occur four months after the progressed aspect of the Sun is perfect.

It is not easy to illustrate even with a diagram, and it is still more difficult to make clear by means of words, how several progressed aspects, each reaching its own peak at a different time, but all contributing in some measure energy to the same group of thought-cells, give a peak to the amount of energy the thought-cells receive that does not coincide with any of the heavier progressed aspects, but does coincide with some minor progressed aspect. But such peaks of thought-cell activity thus formed do repeatedly occur, and are almost invariably present when an event of importance takes place in an individual's life.

Now it is not always possible, due to the variation in the resistance of environment to the event which the thought-cells try to bring about, as previously explained, to predetermine exactly when an indicated event will occur. But it nearly always is possible to map the various peaks of astrological energy affecting a given group of thought-cells during the period the heavier progressed aspect is within orb. One peak of astrological energy may stand out so conspicuously, and not be unduly restricted by special environmental resistance, that the probability is greater than 100 to 1 that the event will occur on this date. On the other hand, there may be quite a number of peaks of astrological energy from which to make selection. Even after weighing the probable influence of environment and all other factors it may be impossible to decide on which one of several peaks of astrological energy the indicated event will take place. But even under these circumstances astrology can lend valuable service. If the heavy progressed aspect indicates probable accident or loss, the individual can well afford to take special care during each of the several limited periods when there are astro-

logical peaks that threatens, if by so doing he can avoid calamity. And if the indicated event is fortunate, he can afford to make special effort to take advantage of the favorable conditions during each of the several limited periods when astrological peaks tend to assist bringing about the beneficial event.

Sub-Major Aspects Attract Sub-Major Events

Some major progressed aspect of the Moon occurs every few months. And due to the rapidity with which the major progressed Moon moves, covering one degree on an average in less than one month, these major

progressed aspects of the Moon are commonly less powerful than the major progressed aspects of the other planets. On the other hand, they add more energy to the thought-cells than the average minor progressed aspects do; the amount they add being approximately midway between that added by the minor progressed aspects of the other planets and the major progressed aspects of the other planets. And to indicate this half-way power to contribute energy to the thought-cells, and to distinguish them from the more powerful major progressed aspects of the other planets, we call them sub-major progressed aspects.

Now an aspect by Transit from one of the slow moving planets may add more energy to the thought-cells than does a minor progressed aspect from a fast moving planet, or than does a weak sub-major progressed aspect. But we have proved conclusively in the analysis of the progressed aspects present when each of the 2,700 events occurred considered in *When And What Events Will Happen*, and so far considered in *Body Disease And Its Stellar Treatment*, that the important events of life occur only when there is a major progressed aspect stronger than that from the Moon present at the time to the ruler of the house governing the department of life affected. That is, the major events of life are attracted only when the thought-cells that bring them to pass receive energy from major progressed aspects. And while, when heavy rallying forces are present, which means other heavy progressed aspects (D), the event, at least where progressed aspects of Sun and Mars are concerned, may occur while the aspect is as much as a degree and a half from perfect, commonly it may be expected while the progressed aspect is within one degree from perfect. *

But in addition to these major events of life, there are sub-major events, of the type which occur every few months in people's lives, which are attracted by the sub-major progressed aspects, that is, by the activity of the thought-cells when they receive the energy of major progressed aspects of the Moon.

Ordinarily these are of more importance than the minor events which are attracted by the activity of the thought-cells when they re-

ceive the energy of minor progressed aspects. That is, of themselves, minor progressed aspects tend to operate independently to attract into the life its minor happenings. And anyone who will take the trouble to watch the times when minor progressed Sun and minor progressed Mars make aspects to the birth-chart and major progressed positions of the planets-- which will take but a short period, as these minor progressed planets make aspects frequently-- will become convinced of this.

While it is true that a transit aspect, especially the conjunction and opposition, of Saturn or the still more slowly moving planets, often adds energy to the thought-cells that gives rise to an event far from trivial, on the average, and in comparison to the same progressed aspect formed by minor progression, the transit aspects tend to coincide with the inconsequential events.

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Thus while there is overlapping, the Transit progressed aspects tend to attract inconsequential events, the Minor progressed aspects tend to attract Minor events, the Sub-major progressed aspects tend to attract Sub-major events, and the Major progressed aspects tend to attract Major events.

Life is a pattern of many events, only a portion of which are related to the major happenings. Each progressed aspect, transit, minor, sub-major and major, therefore should be appraised relative to the amount of energy it adds to the thought-cells mapped by its planets, and the power they are thus given to overcome environmental resistances and bring into the life some event, small or large. More often than not a transit progressed aspect indicates an inconsequential event, a minor progressed aspect of some power indicates a minor event, and sub-major progressed aspect indicates a sub-major event. That is, one of the two functions of these three less powerful orders of progressed aspects is to indicate the various events that go to make up the pattern of life which do not rise to the dignity of being considered of major significance.

The other function is that, while the thought-cell activity inaugurated by a major progressed aspect usually does not require any additional help to enable it to overcome the resistance of environment and bring into the life an event of some significance, the time when it actually does so nearly always is when additional energy is added to the thought-cells involved by one or more of these other orders of progressed aspects; minor progressed aspects nearly always assisting thus to build up the thought-cell activity peak.

For these other orders of progressed aspects to lend a hand in the event attracted by a major progressed aspect, the progressed aspect they make must either include one of the planets involved in the major progressed aspect, or must add energy to the thought-cells of the house

whose thought-cells are being accelerated by the major progressed aspect. That is, if the major progressed Sun was in the third house and aspecting Mars it would accelerate third house thought-cells. If Libra was on the cusp of the third, a minor progressed aspect to Venus would add energy to third house thought-cells and thus help build up a peak resulting in a short journey or other third house event.

Furthermore, if major progressed Moon were in the third house, any progressed aspect it would make would increase the third house thought-cell activity. Because while progressing through a house it does add energy to the thought-cells of that house, especially at the time it makes aspects, the house in which major progressed Moon is found is frequently significant of the events during that period. This is well worth noting.

But we should not jump to the conclusion that events only happen when sub-major progressed aspects are present; and we should not overestimate the power either of a minor progressed aspect or a sub-major progressed aspect to modify the fortune (F) or misfortune of the event signified by a major progressed aspect and the birth-chart.

The minor events indicated by minor progressed aspects can be appraised as to their fortune (F) or misfortune by considering that these aspects modify in minor degree, according to the specific progressed aspects, the birth-chart thought-cell activity. And the sub-major events indicated by major progressed aspects of the Moon can be appraised as to their fortune (F) or misfortune by considering that they modify in sub-major degree, according to the specific progressed aspects, the birth-chart thought-cell activity. But when they merely add accessory energy to thought-cell activity set in motion by a major progressed aspect, the amount they modify the major event as to its fortune (F) or misfortune is negligible. Even though the major event is precisely timed by energy a minor progressed aspect or sub-major progressed aspect adds to the thought-cells, the event attracted is dominated in its harmony or discord by the more powerful major progressed aspect modifying the birth-chart harmony or discord of the thought-cells.

Consulting *When And What Events Will Happen* we find that there was no major progressed aspect of the Moon within one degree of perfect in 41% of the divorces or separations, in 24% of the instances in which the individual died, in 19% of the instances when money was lost, in 18% of the instances in which death occurred in the family, in 15% of the accidents, in 14% of the marriages, and in 7% of the instances when people made money.

And what I mean when I say that neither minor progressed aspects or sub-major progressed aspects have the power of themselves markedly to change the fortune of the event, even when timing it, can also be illustrated from *When And What Events Will Happen*. Whether or not it is conceded that separation or divorce may be a happy event, in 15% the

only major progressed aspect of the Moon was a harmonious one.

At least if inheritance is involved, death may have its compensations, and we find that in 24% of the deaths in the family analyzed the only major progressed aspect of the Moon was a harmonious one. But we do not commonly consider loss of money, accident, or death fortunate to the individual to whom these events occur. And we find that in 26% of the instances in which money was lost, in 29% of the accidents, and in 18% of the instances in which the individual died, the only major progressed aspect of the Moon was a harmonious one.

These harmonious sub-major progressed aspects probably brought incidents that were favorable, but they could not so modify the discordant thought-cell activity set up by major progressed aspects as to prevent the significant event being unfortunate.

Rallying Forces

The most vexatious of all factors to one endeavoring to determine exactly what will happen to an individual due to the influence of a particular progressed aspect (C) are the other progressed aspects (D) which may at the same time be adding energy to the thought-cells of the finer

form. As has previously been pointed out, these additional energies may increase the range in time up to a degree and a half from perfect, at least of the events signified by progressed aspects from Sun and Mars, and perhaps from some of the other planets through acting as Rallying Forces. *

Yet while Rallying Forces prove vexing to one trying to determine the exact time and exact nature of the event which will be attracted by a given progressed aspect, they at the same time afford one of the three ways by which an individual can, if he systematically tries, make the event much more fortunate than otherwise would have been the case.

The nervous system, through the electrical currents flowing over it is tuned, by the thoughts and emotions which these currents carry, to pick up, radio fashion, the type of planetary energy, including its harmony or discord, corresponding to these thoughts and feelings. And these nerve currents also serve as conductors to carry this quality of astral energy, not merely to the terminals of the aspects in which the planet is involved whose energy is thus handled, but to the terminals of all the aspects, including the progressed aspects.

Now when several major progressed aspects are present at the same time it is quite possible that each will work out very largely in its own terms. If one is decidedly discordant, some unfortunate event may be attracted bearing the characteristics of these planets and affecting the department of life ruled by one of these planets. And if another major

progressed aspect is quite harmonious, some other event may occur almost at the same time which is decidedly fortunate, bearing the characteristics of its planets and affecting the department of life ruled by one of these planets. Thus an individual may lose a loved one through death at the very time he has attained some high honor, or gained a fortune through some business transaction. And in such cases rallying forces play but little part.

But it is more common than otherwise for the individual to react so strongly in his thinking and feeling to some one of the progressed aspects present, usually the most powerful one, that his nervous system keeps tuned to its frequencies. And thus the energies of this dominant progressed aspect find their way, through the short circuit provided by the electrical energies which flow over the nerves in response to thought and feeling, not only to the thought-cells mapped at the terminals of this aspect, but also to the terminals of other aspects, including all the other major progressed aspects which are giving energy to thought-cells. And thus, this dominant progressed aspect (D) becomes a Rallying Force, influencing what happens relative to departments of life reached by other progressed aspects.

People only make or lose money when there is a progressed aspect to the ruler of the second house; but in 24% of the gains the only progressed aspect to the ruler of the second is discordant; and in 12% of the losses the only progressed aspect to the ruler of the second is harmonious. Some of

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these are indicated by birth-chart conditions; but some also are due to Rallying Forces. And we find that while at the time of the individual's death in 21% of the instances the only progressed aspect to the ruler of the eighth is harmonious, there is always also present at the time a discordant major progressed aspect.

When, during a period of time, the individual permits his thoughts and feelings persistently to be dominated by one of several progressed aspects which may be present, this enables the energies of this progressed aspect to reach and influence the thought-cells reached by the other progressed aspects. Thus it is common to find the life in many of its departments dominated in its fortune or misfortune by some heavy progressed aspect; the other progressed aspects being warped from their normal fortune or misfortune. But when an individual does not permit his thoughts and feelings thus to be dominated persistently, but also has the thoughts and feelings of the other progressed aspects, these then tend to operate normally.

The tendency to permit certain thoughts and feelings to be persistently present is largely determined by the conditioning (B) of the individual; which must always be taken into consideration on judging progressed aspects. And the individual who will deliberately cultivate and

maintain the thoughts and feelings which express the constructive activities of a planet which is part of a progressed aspect at the time can thus use Rallying Forces to add harmonious energies to all the thought-cells reached by aspects, and cause heavy discordant progressed aspects to attract events which are far more fortunate than otherwise had been the case.

How Best to Handle Progressed Aspects

As of the influences which bring events into an individual's life there are only three important factors, all of which play a part, if any of the three are changed the event attracted will be changed. The two immediate factors are the physical environment in which the individual lives and the thought-cell activity of his soul. Yet not only the degree of thought-cell activity, but also the desires of the thought-cells thus made active, are at all times powerfully influenced by planetary energies. And while we are powerless to determine what progressed aspects shall form in our charts, we do have the power, through the deliberate cultivation of Rallying Forces by using our thoughts and feelings to tune in on some harmonious birth-chart or progressed aspect, to determine in large measure what type and what harmony of planetary energy shall reach most of the thought-cells and exert a dominating influence over a given period of our lives.

But whether the energy reaching the thought-cells and giving them unusual activity is of our own choosing, through such deliberate cultivation of rallying forces, or is the unmodified energy of such progressed aspects as are present, the events attracted are not directly due to the

planetary energy, but to the activity of the thought-cells in seeking to realize their desires through manipulating the behavior and the physical environment. Thus apart from planetary energies, if either the desires of the thought-cells are changed, or the physical environment is changed, the event will be different.

And in this lies the value of knowing the types of events more commonly attracted by a given progressed aspect in a birthchart indicating definite predispositions. It is only through such knowledge that the individual can be advised as to the thoughts and actions and environment which, if that be desired, will enable him to prevent these events more commonly attracted from entering his life, or which will enable him to experience events far more fortunate than those which are commonly attracted.

In chapter four three things are given that in some measure may be expected to affect the life under a progressed aspect to each planet. This affords a very general key to what commonly may be expected. Then are given the thoughts that influence the behavior, and the various fac-

tors of the physical environment some of which commonly assist in bringing the events to pass, and if health difficulties are indicated, toward what diseases each planet inclines.

Now if the progressed aspect is such that the events it attracts commonly are beneficial, the individual can assist it to attract good fortune in still greater measure by cultivating appropriate thoughts, by taking appropriate action, and by selecting an environment that facilitates the work of the specific thought-cells accelerated by the aspect in bringing the desired events and conditions into the life.

On the other hand, if the progressed aspect is such that the events it commonly attracts are unfortunate, steps can be taken to deny in the physical environment those factors which give the thought-cells facility for attracting disaster, and a systematic effort can be made to change the desires of the thought-cells so they will work for more fortunate events. For instance, if it indicates likelihood of health difficulties, steps such as are indicated in the book *Stellar Dietetics* can be taken before the disease starts, to prevent the predisposition thus indicated from developing under the progressed aspect into the disease.

The desires of the thought-cells may be favorably changed through giving them more harmonious energy with which to work by employing pleasant rallying forces by rearranging the thought-elements of which they are composed through the pleasure technique of Conversion, or by giving them a more harmonious composition through adding to them other thoughts which are their natural antidotes. Whichever of these three processes is employed, it becomes effective to the extent it reconditions the thought-cells so that they work for the constructive and fortunate conditions ruled by the progressed planets mapping them.

The energy of the thought-cells mapped by a powerful progressed aspect is not going to remain repressed. It may chiefly express through changes in the thinking, through the emotions, through the behavior,

or through events which apparently are beyond the individual's control. The problem is to get it to express as harmoniously and constructively as possible through the channels of the individual's choice. Therefore instead of trying to prevent a progressed aspect from attracting events, the individual should utilize his knowledge and skill to get it to attract events which are beneficial, but characteristic of the planets making the aspect. Merely to indicate one of various such beneficial channels of expression for each planet let us consider that:

A progressed aspect to the Sun that commonly expresses through domination can be made to express through significance.

A progressed aspect to the Moon that commonly expresses through mental instability can be made to express through domesticity.

A progressed aspect to Mercury that commonly expresses through nervous disorders can be made to express through intellectual activity.

A progressed aspect to Venus that commonly expresses through unrestrained emotion can be made to express through art or affection.

A progressed aspect to Mars that commonly expresses through demolition can be made to express through building something.

A progressed aspect to Jupiter that commonly expresses through surfeit can be made to express through benevolence.

A progressed aspect to Saturn that commonly expresses through loss can be made to express through systematization.

A progressed aspect to Uranus that commonly expresses through agitation can be made to express through invention.

A progressed aspect to Neptune that commonly expresses through fraud can be made to express through idealism.

A progressed aspect to Pluto that commonly expresses through coercion can be made to express through co-operation.

Progressing the House Cusps

Not only in the 2,700 timed birth-charts progressed to the time of some event, but in a great many other timed charts progressed to the time of some event or the development of some disease, of which we as yet do not have 100 relating to a specific event or disease, we have found that the event belongs to the department of life mapped by the house of the birth-chart in which the progressed planet is found, or ruled by one of the planets involved in the progressed aspect.

As this is one of the two factors which can be relied upon, the other being that the event bears the characteristics of the planets involved in the progressed aspect, we believe it a mistake to use progressed houses instead of birth-chart houses. The M.C. and Asc. are progressed after the manner of planets, and their progressed aspects to the planets are as effective as the progressed aspects between the planets. We feel sure from the extensive research work we have done to determine this that the astrologer will get a clearer insight into what is likely to happen from progressed aspects if he uses the birth-chart house positions and

merely places the progressed positions of the planets, M.C. and Asc. around the outside of the unaltered birth-chart.

A progressed aspect to or from the M.C. indicates that the honor or business will be affected by some of the things ruled by the planet involved in the aspect and the houses that planet rules. Because the M.C. acts as an amplifier, the things thus indicated readily gain wide publicity.

A progressed aspect to or from the Asc. indicates that the personal life will be affected by some of the things ruled by the planet involved in the aspect and the houses that planet rules. Because the Asc. is a place where the electromagnetic energies reach and affect people in the im-

mediate environment, and where the electromagnetic energies are profoundly affected by planetary aspects, progressed aspects in which it is involved often influence the health as well as the disposition and the influence of the personality on others.

Persistent Progressed Aspects and Planetary Trends

People who have a progressed aspect which remains within one degree of perfect all their lives, or over many years, have thought-cell activities during that entire time that may compare with the thought-cell activity of others during those limited periods when progressed aspects form. Several outstanding movie directors have had a progressed conjunction favorably involving Venus which before it passed beyond influence turned retrograde, and thus remained within one degree of the perfect conjunction for from six to twelve years. And these directors have attained high recognition, and consistently turned out fine work, during the entire period the progressed aspect was operative, only to drop from sight as soon as the progressed aspect moved finally beyond orb of influence.

Bulwer-Lytton and Ralph Waldo Emerson were both born May 25, 1803, but at different times of day. Both became successful writers. Bulwer-Lytton had Pluto in the house of publishing (ninth) within less than one degree of the perfect inconjunct to both Mars and Uranus, a progressed aspect which lasted nearly all his life, and for 9 years practically every year saw a new book written by him published. Emerson had the same persistent progressed aspect, but not involving the ninth house, and his literary activities covered but a limited number of years.

To mention but three more examples, Franklin Delano Roosevelt with progressed Sun trine progressed M.C. all his life, has had commensurate political activity; Henry Ford, with progressed Pluto trine birth-chart M.C. all his life, has consistently engaged in mass production; and Yehudi Menuhin with progressed Pluto inconjunct Sun, and progressed Neptune opposition Sun from birth to the present time, became famous as a musical prodigy when five, at twenty was the highest paid musician in the world, and is still attracting attention.

While Mars may rightly be called the planet of accident, the accidents only occur under a progressed aspect to Mars when there is also

a progressed aspect to the ruler of the first house or to the birth-chart or progressed Ascendant.

We are not warranted by statistical analysis, however, in considering there is a planet of death, a planet of travel, a planet of marriage, a planet of ocean voyages, a planet of vacations, or a planet of money.

Nevertheless, when there are progressed aspects to the ruler of the eighth, the loss indicated by a progressed aspect to Saturn may be

through death, especially the death of some elderly person.

A progressed aspect to Mercury will not bring travel unless at the same time there is a progressed aspect to the ruler of the ninth house or the third house; but when such an aspect to the ruler of a house of travel is present, a progressed aspect to Mercury is an additional testimony of a journey.

A progressed aspect to Venus will not bring marriage unless at the same time there is a progressed aspect to the ruler of the seventh house. But if there is a progressed aspect to the ruler of the seventh house, a progressed aspect to Venus is an additional testimony of marriage; and in a woman's chart a progressed aspect to Mars is even a stronger testimony. Mars rules amativeness, and a surprising number of women are married while a progressed aspect to Mars is operative.

A progressed aspect to Neptune will not bring a voyage unless at the same time there is a progressed aspect to the ruler of the ninth house; but when the ninth house ruler is aspected, Neptune inclines toward the sea. Nor will a progressed aspect to Neptune bring something special in the way of a pleasurable vacation unless there is also a progressed aspect to the ruler of the fifth. But Neptune helps toward vacations.

From a progressed aspect to Jupiter money cannot be expected unless at the same time there is a progressed aspect to the ruler of the second house. But if there is a second house progressed aspect the influence of Jupiter increases the tendency for the event to involve money.

Progressed aspects to Uranus may pass without a radical change. But when radical changes are taken under progressed aspects to Uranus there is no return to life as it was before. Uranus may not only bring new acquaintances, but may bring into the life old acquaintances and conditions that had all but been forgotten.

A progressed aspect to the Sun will not affect the honor unless at the same time there is a progressed aspect to the ruler of the tenth house or M.C.; but when there is a progressed aspect to the ruler of the tenth or to the M.C., a progressed aspect of the Sun increases the probability that the event will affect the honor. Honors are gained only when there is both a progressed aspect to the Sun, and a progressed aspect either to the ruler of the tenth or to the M.C.

Examples of Selecting Peaks of Astrological Influence

Looking at the major progressed aspects in the Mickey Rooney chart for 1942 (see illustration) and observing progressed M.C. trine birth-

chart Moon (women in general), progressed Sun applying to conjunction birth-chart Venus, and progressed Mercury, ruler of the house of marriage, square progressed Neptune, planet of romance; and considering that he was 21 years of age and unmarried, it would have been

safe to have predicted marriage.

As marriage is a seventh house event, the time most likely would be when accessory energy was added to Mercury, ruler of the seventh, or to Neptune with which it made the progressed aspect. We have found that Mip.D. 1942 is May 17, 1922. This represents September 23, 1942, in calendar time, and as on May 17, 1922, both Uranus and Neptune are in 13 degrees and thus aspecting progressed Mercury, there are strong seventh house accessory influences all during the summer and fall of 1942.

One peak, while minor Uranus and minor Neptune are aspecting major progressed Neptune and major progressed Mercury is June 28, 1942, represented in the ephemeris by May 4, 1922, when minor progressed Sun is 13 Taurus and minor progressed Moon is 13 Leo, and thus adding still other accessory energy to major progressed Mercury and major progressed Neptune.

However, with Mars rising at birth, and given to action, Rooney did not await the June 28 peak. On January 10, 1942, represented by Mip.D. April 28, 1922, minor progressed Neptune was 13 Leo 11, minor progressed Uranus was 12 Pisces 34, and minor progressed Mercury was 12 Taurus 16; all adding accessory energy to progressed or birth-chart Mercury; and minor progressed Jupiter was 11 Libra 6, and thus conjunction birth-chart Mercury, ruling marriage. Minor progressed Moon was not aspecting Mercury, but was 25 Taurus, in opposition to major progressed Moon. Thus January 10, 1942, the date of Rooney's marriage, was not the only peak of astrological energies where the Mercury thought-cells were affected, but it was a very high peak.

Next if we look at the major progressed aspects in the Mickey Rooney chart for 1934 (Map.D. Oct. 7, 1920), we observe that progressed Sun, ruling the house of profession (tenth), is sextile progressed Neptune, the movie planet; and that progressed Mars, ruling the stage (fifth), is sextile birth-chart Venus. These aspects would make it safe to predict he would make unusual strides in his profession as an actor.

As the Sun represents those in authority, as well as his honor (tenth), it might be assumed his big chance (the sextile signifies opportunity) would come on the progressed Sun sextile Neptune aspect, progressed Sun being 13 Libra and progressed Neptune being 13 Leo. Mip.D. for 1934 is October 10, 1921. Looking back in the ephemeris from this date we notice one peak of astrological energy affecting the Sun when on Mip.D. October 7, 1921, representing about the middle of August, 1934, calendar time, minor progressed Sun comes to the conjunction with major progressed Sun. Minor progressed Venus at this time is also semi-sextile progressed Sun and progressed Neptune. He was given the part, and started rehearsal, for the October performances, at this time.

Another peak is shown early in October when minor Mars (Mip.D. October II, 1921) comes to the semi-sextile of major progressed Sun and

prominent part in Max Rhinehart's production of *Mid-Summer Night's Dream* at the Hollywood Bowl.

Still a further peak occurs early in November (Mip.D. October 13, 1921) when minor Mercury arrives at the semi-sextile of progressed Sun, and the square of progressed Neptune. He was then given the movie part in the same play, in the stage performance of which he had covered himself with glory. And minor progressed Venus (Mip.D. October 14, 1921) arriving at the semi-sextile of major progressed Mars and birth-chart Venus, these latter being in major progressed sextile aspect, enabled him to give a screen performance that placed him with the ranking stars of moviedom.

Now let us turn to the John Edwards chart. After the date of birth (March 19, 1920), if we follow down the column to March 25, which is Map.D. for calendar year 1926, we find major progressed Venus trine major progressed Mars on the L.D. (June 9, 1926). On this date progressed Mars is retrograde and has passed the square of birth-chart Jupiter by 5'. Venus must move only 5' to make the inconjunct of birth-chart Jupiter, must move 30' to reach inconjunct progressed Neptune, and must move 35' to reach inconjunct birth-chart Neptune. And although progressed Sun does not reach the square of Pluto until August 1927, it comes within orb of the aspect in the fall of 1926.

From such an accumulation of major progressed planetary energy we could be sure something important would happen. The problem, after deciding what event most likely would occur, and what the boy should do to protect his threatened health, would be to determine the peak when, due to the cumulative influence of minor progressed aspects, the event most likely would take place.

We need not go back of the 1926 birthday, because the major progressed aspects have not then begun to reach full power. But we look in the ephemeris for Mip.D. 1926, which is ephemeris date August 29, 1920.

Now as, with the exception of major progressed Sun square Pluto, these heavy major progressed aspects form in 8 degrees of some sign, we could soundly conclude that the accessory energy giving the thought-cells their peaks of activity would come from minor progressed planets making aspects to these planets in 8 degrees. The Sun by minor progression went into 8 Virgo Mip.D. September 1, 1920, representing April, 1926, calendar time. It then was opposition major progressed Venus, sextile birth-chart and progressed Mars, and was semi-sextile birth-chart and progressed Jupiter and Neptune. While this was not the heaviest peak, we may be sure the thought-cells were active enough that their influence was distressingly discernable, and that the health was adversely affected at that time.

Moving on down the ephemeris column for September, 1920, looking for other positions that aspect 8 degrees, we would be brought to a sudden halt at September 16, where the minor progressed Sun is 23 Virgo, and therefore making the semi-square aspect to birth-chart and major progressed Mars, Jupiter and Neptune. Nor is that all. Mars on

September 17 in the ephemeris reaches 8 Sagittarius, and therefore aspects close to this time birth-chart and progressed Mars, Jupiter and Neptune, and makes the square of major progressed Venus in 8 Pisces.

Here, clearly, we have the highest peak of thought-cell activity in so far as these aspects in 8 degrees are concerned. So next we calculate when each of the minor progressed aspects is perfect. We find minor progressed Sun makes the semi-square of progressed Jupiter November 17, 1926, then moves to the semi-square of birth-chart Jupiter, semi-square both progressed and birth-chart Mars, semi-square progressed Neptune, and finally on December 3 makes the semi-square of birth-chart Neptune.

Minor progressed Mars comes to the trine of progressed Jupiter November 29, moves to the square of progressed Venus, semisextile progressed Mars, semi-sextile birth-chart Mars, and, finally to the trine of birth-chart Neptune on December 14.

The peak of thought-cell activity thus runs from about the middle of November to the middle of December. To get the day when it is probably highest we look to minor progressed Moon, and find it making the conjunction of major progressed Mars, and therefore aspecting the other 8 degree planets, on November 14. The minor progressed positions of all the planets for November 14, 1926, will be found around the outside of the John Edwards chart, the date on which he took to his bed because of illness, not to leave it until the following April.

As a final example, using the John Edwards chart, the birth-chart Moon is 13 Pisces 29 in the house of short journeys (third), and on Map.D. April 3, representing calendar date June 9, 1935, major progressed Sun has only 3' to move to make the semi-sextile aspect to this birth-chart Moon. Mip.D. 1935 is May 3, 1921, and Mip.D. 1936 is May 30, 1921.

As birth-chart Moon is 13 Pisces, and major progressed Sun aspecting it is 13 Aries, we would look to minor progressed aspects to these degrees for accessory energy, although aspects forming to any of the planets in the third house also would be significant.

May, 1921, shows the Sun in 13 Taurus on May 4, the Sun in 28 Taurus on May 20, and Mars in 13 Gemini on May 25. These latter two minor progressed aspects have plenty of power, but they do not occur so close to the time when the major progressed Sun is sextile birth-chart Moon, which is perfect June 27, 1935.

Minor progressed Sun is sextile birth-chart Moon April 8, 1935. While this minor progressed aspect is still within one degree of perfect, minor progressed Moon comes to the conjunction of major progressed Sun in 13 Aries, and semi-sextile birth-chart Moon in 13 Pisces on April 19, 1935. This was the peak of thought-cell activity during the spring, and gave the date of the trip.

However, it should be noted

