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## **Signs of the Times:**

**Late March 2020 Triple Capricorn Conjunction**

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As has been mentioned in several past issues, the major transits driving world events just now are the passages of both Saturn and Pluto

through the sign of Capricorn. Since late December 2019, Jupiter has added its power to this already massive influence in Capricorn, sign of the material world, of resources and their management, of administrative roles, governance, the laws and rules of society, norms, guidelines, regulations, restrictions, punishments, and enforcements. Capricorn is also a sign that in its worst manifestations may appear as greed, ambition, callous disregard for others, cruelty, oppression and repression. At its best, Capricorn is a sign indicative of concern for ethical propriety, for accountability, responsibility, and respect for worthy traditions. With Jupiter, Saturn, and Pluto all in the sign of Capricorn presently, the focus on both the good and the bad of Capricorn is extreme.

The sign Capricorn falls opposite the sign of Cancer in the zodiac. Thus, the present astrological emphasis in Capricorn opposes planetary positions in Cancer, putting a tremendous tension between the professionalism and ambition of Capricorn and the personal, family touch of Cancer. This extreme oppositional tension happens to affect the chart of Donald Trump significantly. Trump's own birth chart contains Mercury, Saturn, and Venus in Cancer. Of course, this is symbolic of his interest in things Cancerian, which include real estate and the arrangement of buildings within cities. Cancer is also a deeply possessive sign, as is symbolized by the two claws of the crab as they grasp for food or whatever else might be taken in and kept for the self. Trump thus has these characteristics, holding tightly to himself all that he deems his by right of possession. He owns his people, his children, his estate, and his money, all of which he sees an extension of himself, if not his very self. Ownership and control are very important to him, as is symbolized in his chart by the position of Saturn in Cancer.

But with every emphasis in the chart (and especially with the sign of the Saturn position), there comes a life lesson. The lesson for Trump constellates around the tendency to grasp and hold for himself, in defiance of everything else around him. Presently, transiting Saturn and Pluto are

activating this life lesson for him, and now, transiting Jupiter has entered the show, intensifying the message. In mid-February 2020, even planet Mars gets into the deal, also entering the sign of Capricorn for a stay of approximately five weeks. Thus, in February and March of 2020, Trump will be experiencing the opposition of Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, and Pluto to his Cancerian grouping – a tremendous wollop of energies with more than enough power to disorient anyone. This effect is especially intense for Trump in late March 2020, when transiting Mars conjoins transiting Jupiter and Pluto in opposition to Trump's natal Saturn. Anybody who has ever experienced multiple planetary oppositions knows very well what this means. It symbolizes the constellation of significant life issues in a dramatic fashion, inevitably played out in a way certain to capture the attention of the individual whose chart is thus affected. To state this in simple language, this means that in late March of 2020, Donald Trump is set to meet karmic conditions of his own soul's choosing, conditions which are likely to throw him back hard on himself and make him face the nature of his attitudes and actions. It's a meeting with the Lord of Karma, Saturn.

Naysayers will immediately discount this statement, but astrologers, especially those who have observed the effects of transits for some decades, will know quite differently. Even though Trump is irascible and thinks he is God's gift to humanity, these transits will work on him. Modern textbooks of astrology describe the transiting opposition of Pluto to one's natal Saturn as a two-year period of extreme trial and difficulty, a time during which conflicts with others over power and authority are likely, and during which, matters can be made significantly worse for the individual if he or she continues to be stubborn and intransigent as the conflict unfolds. Anyone checking the news even sporadically these days can see that Trump intuitively selects the worst possible course of action for himself, engaging in behaviors and speech acts which are certain to increase the resistance coming against him during the period of Pluto's opposition to his natal Saturn. The divine purpose of such a transit is to loosen up rigid structures and show the individual how to enter into interactions with

others through some paradigm other than *I win and you lose*. Of course, Trump is not open to such a message. Spiritual seekers all know what happens when a person does not listen to the obvious messages coming to himself or herself: the message gets louder and more insistent. This is what will happen to Trump. It may not seem possible today that this could happen, but the astrology shows that it can (and will). The time to observe will be the later portion of March 2020.

Meanwhile, transiting Uranus continues its movement through the sign of Taurus, sign of earthly wealth, resources, their management, nature, beauty, the creation of value, the cultivation of the soil, plant life, and all forms of nutritive sustenance. Like all signs of the zodiac, Taurus has its upside and its downside. On the upside, Taurus creates material abundance, stability, order, beauty, productivity, and comfort. On the downside, Taurus tends toward greed, indulgence, gluttony, carnality, cupidity, and even sexual perversion. With Uranus in Taurus for the next few years now, all these issues are potentially activated. As is obvious, it is up to humanity how we use these energies. We could easily use the power of Uranus in Taurus to get right in our relationship with the Earth, husband our resources responsibly, restore the wasted places of the planet, make equitable all systems of food distribution, correct gross income inequality, grow gardens, cultivate artistic talents, party up and party down, and enjoy the fruits of our labors. Easy, right?

Of course, no, because key individuals with powerful Taurus signatures in their charts insist on using the power of Taurus for the purposes of their own, separative agendas, and not for the good of the greater whole. But there's a funny thing about that. Taurus is right now being acted on, changed, and transformed by Uranus, and Uranus belongs to no one, not even to Donald Trump. Uranus is one of the outer or transcendent planets. In the esoteric astrological doctrine of Alice Bailey, it's considered a sacred planet. Outer planet, transcendent planet, or sacred planet – no matter what label is applied, they all come down to the same

thing: such planets are agencies of the higher or Divine Will. Uranus is precisely that. It is an energy which even the high and mighty DJT or any such other can't co-opt infinitely for their own purposes. Sure, they can tap into it and distort it for a time. Hitler did that during World War II. Uranus was in Taurus back then, too, its planetary cycle being 84 years long. Hitler, himself a sun-sign Taurus, picked up on the revolutionary and disruptive Uranian energy very easily during World War II, using it to fuel the extremism and fanaticism for which he is legendary. Could another person do the same? Yes. Does Trump have Taurus represented in his chart? Yes, on the Midheaven, which is 24 degrees of Taurus, giving him a significant influence from Taurus, and hence suggesting a potential similarity to the other Taurus influenced historical figure. But again, just as in the case of Hitler, the distorted misappropriation of sacred planet energies can only go on for so long for Trump. It has a time limit on it. Why? Sacred fire is too hot. It will bounce right back and incinerate the one who misuses it. Shades of ceremonial magic and the uses and misuses of energy? You bet. According to Bailey's esoteric astrological doctrine, Uranus distributes Ray Seven, the Ray of Ceremonial Order and Magic. Attempts to use the powers of this ray for separative, self-centered purposes are certain to backfire. Check out Hitler's example.

Sacred, transcendent planet Uranus is now set to rock the sign of Taurus for another five years and some, as it does so, activating positions in the sign of Taurus in the charts of various individuals. As it turns out, the sign of Taurus is prominent in the astrological birth arrangements of Melania Trump, herself a Sun-sign Taurus with Saturn in Taurus, Mitch McConnell, who has Moon, Mars, Saturn, and Uranus in Taurus, and Donald Trump, with the Midheaven in Taurus. Melania has the Sun and Saturn at 6 and 11 degrees of Taurus respectively, McConnell the stellium at 22 to 26 degrees Taurus (as well as the Moon in early Taurus, though his exact birth time and hence precise Moon position are unknown), and Trump the Midheaven at 24 degrees Taurus. All of these positions will eventually be impacted in the coming years, but the first among them to do

so will be the 6 to 11 Taurus positions in the chart of Melania Trump and the early Taurus Moon in McConnell's chart. These positions will be activated April 2020 through March 2022. As any astrological text on transits would show, these are sure to be periods of upheaval and disorder in the lives of these individuals.

The implication is that, for the Taurus-influenced cabal of Trump, Trump, and McConnell, all of whom luxuriate in lavish wealth while so many in the nation languish, while Uranus rocks Taurus, choppy waters lie ahead. Choppy in exactly what manner must remain to be seen, but the bottom-line message is that the astrology shows that between now and the next couple of years, conditions of life are highly likely to be dramatically altered for at least Melania and McConnell. During this time, of course Melania's son Barron will grow up and need her less and less, and that will be a change, but the transformation is likely to go much deeper than that. Something will come to disrupt the fundamental structure of her life, for transiting Uranus will rock her natal Saturn during this two-year period. Saturn stands for what a person relies on for security and stability; it symbolizes older persons as well. Does Melania have an older person upon whom she relies for security and stability? Why yes. He's named Donald Trump. Reading through the window of Melania's chart, it is thus possible to see that it is highly likely that something rather dramatic is about to occur with her husband, something that will fundamentally change the routines and comfort zones which have been the mainstay of her life. It could also be that one or more of her parents passes away during this time as well. Godspeed to all Melania's people, no matter what, but the main point here is that Melania's astrology holds the clear indication that there may be reasonable hope that Donald Trump will not continue to be the president of the United States and that the conditions of his own life are set to dramatically change during the period 2020 to 2022. This prediction is also matched by indications in his own chart, as detailed in the previous issues.

Some will ask if the Uranus transits to the Taurus groupings could just show that Trump becomes more extreme, more fanatic, more fascist, and more powerful. The answer is yes, this is possible, but it is not at all likely, for at the same time, a massive wall of Capricornian restriction is clamping down on his Cancerian grouping. From that, there will be no easy escape. The Lords of Karma are set to speak. Observe his situation in late March 2020.

### **Daily Analysis and Prediction for the Week Ahead**

**Monday February 10** feels the power of the Full Moon period still in effect, though beginning to decrease slightly. The Moon is in meticulous Virgo, directing our attention to matters of right organization, productivity, and efficiency. But! Mercury goes retrograde this coming weekend, so we are starting to feel the changes even now. That's very much the case around 9 am CST when the Moon opposes Mercury, bringing us into to touch with information which is new, different, or perhaps altered in ways we weren't expecting. It's ok, though, for with an open mind and attention focused on Divine Order, we work it out. Then, we see a helpful vision of how to structure our current hopes and dreams around 7 pm CST while the Moon trines Jupiter, giving us peace and assurance. Profoundly mystical vibes come to visit 9 – 10 pm CST while the Moon opposes Neptune, opening the door to the unseen worlds and the higher impressions.

**Tuesday February 11** sees the Moon continuing in the exacting sign of Virgo, thus extending our meditations on practicality and how to implement it. This endeavor hums along famously 7 am to noon CST while the earthy Virgo Moon happily trines with Pluto and Saturn in equally earthy Capricorn. But then, it's time to restrain impulses shortly thereafter, for the Moon squares over-reactive Mars from noon to 1 pm CST, inflaming tempers and goading all toward impatience. The aphorism *easy does it* goes a long way at this time. Then the Moon enters social and aesthetic Libra

shortly after 5:30 pm CST, shifting our attention to organizational, legal, and relationship matters.

**Wednesday February 12** intensifies the Libran Moon theme with a square to transiting Jupiter in formal Capricorn around 8 pm CST, making the day a bit of a lead-up to a moment of reckoning and perhaps even confrontation with figures of power and authority in our respective social and relational worlds. Even so, the upshot can be new insights into how we might expand our networks advantageously. The Moon wanes, and all intensities thus begin to diminish.

**Thursday February 13** is filled with activity, strong feelings, and sudden understandings, even though the Moon is now waning and hence powering down all the urgencies and passions of just a few days ago. Still, here we are. What's the cause? For starters, the Moon in normally light-hearted-Libra makes squares to both ponderous Pluto and serious Saturn in forbidding Capricorn, 7 am to noon CST, bringing us into contact with authority figures who find it necessary to impress upon us their wills and wants. Depression and dejection try to enter. We shake them off and go our own thought-ways, nonetheless, especially just before 4 pm CST while the party-loving Libra Moon sextiles Mars in happy-go-lucky Sagittarius, and we find reasons to bounce along the path of life contentedly. Then the Moon enters deep-feeling and psychically-powerful Scorpio just after 6:30 pm CST, attuning us to the hidden sides of others, the spirit side of existence, and to unspoken matters at all levels. We gather information from looks, glances, unspoken implications, gestures, unbidden telepathic impressions, mists moving in the shadows, imaginings even. Surmisings circulate in our thoughts and conversations, leading up to a big moment of unexpected revelation just before midnight CST when the Moon opposes Uranus and causes us to rethink much. *Who knew*, we say. And then, well, so *that's* how it is. The intellectual, social, and organizational turf is changing under and around us right now, for Mercury is set to change



zodiacal directions in just a couple of days. We feel the consequent changes in perspective already

**Friday February 14** sees us pulling back together our wits after last night's emotional and intellectual changes, shocks, and surprises. Whatever we glimpsed in the last half day or so has shifted the turf, and we adjust to that. Good common sense grabs hold of the steering wheel around 3 pm CST as the Moon in perceptive and resourceful Scorpio makes the trine to Mercury in adaptive Pisces and we settle in. We feel in tune with higher forces through midnight CST as the Moon sextiles Jupiter and trines Neptune, opening the way for higher understandings and healing on all levels. We come back down to baseline resting mode after the excitement and uproar of last day or so. Still, we know changes are in the wings, for Mercury is set to go retrograde very shortly. Already we may see the changes in plans, disrupted schedules, transportation detours, delays, and the like which often come as the Messenger God prepares to shift course.

**Saturday February 15** makes it possible to continue the goodness of emotional rest even in the midst of flux and change. The Moon sextiles Pluto and Saturn 11 am to 4 pm CST, making for peaceful acceptance and meaningful understandings. At the same time, however, the Moon squares the Sun, making third quarter Moon, a time during which we should re-evaluate our path and progress over the last three weeks or so, which is to say, since the last New Moon (which took place on January 24). Then the Moon enters far-seeing Sagittarius shortly after 11 pm CST, expanding our thoughts and turning our attention to matters of cosmic import.

**Sunday February 16** sees a significant energy shift as Mars ends its six-week transit of enthusiastic, spirited, uninhibited, and sometimes brusque Sagittarius to enter the serious, contained formality of Capricorn, where it will stay through the end of March 2020. Also signifying a change in the energy field today, Mercury goes retrograde at 13 degrees of Pisces, to remain in retrograde zodiacal motion through March 9, 2020. Today thus marks a turning point of sorts, a shift in themes from the ready enthusiasm

and straight-ahead momentum of the last couple of months to a different vibe. Now we enter a more restrained passage of about six weeks in which Mars in Capricorn will call us to circumspection, reserved manners, duties, ceremonies, and formal functions, and in which the re-evaluation which always accompanies retrograde Mercury plays a key part. In world events, this new trend will also be reflected. Rules, regulations, and precedent suddenly become the subject of discussion. Further, processes and work done in the past come up for re-examination. This could easily impact the political process ongoing in Washington, D.C., causing a second look at decisions made earlier. Specifically, it is highly possible that it will now come up for discussion that the Senate acquittal decision was made too hastily (with Mars in Sagittarius then in effect), and that by golly, uh, some rules appear to have been broken. What a shame, it will be said. And a bit of a new discussion will likely be opened, as a result. Watch for it just now as Mars enters bureaucratic and administrative Capricorn and Mercury goes retrograde, making many look back at past actions.

