

the sensitive points of their horoscopes were very different, but this apparently had little to do with their psychopathological final pathways -- except to say that possibly Bundy was extremely more intelligent than Cottingham, who otherwise was a good provider for his middle-class family.

I would think that Bundy and Cottingham qualify as serial-killer star-twins. But if so, then they are linked together, in a star-twin kind of way, through mutual Saturn vectors to at least twenty-one other serial killers, the earliest of which, in my sample, was Francois Bertrand.

The serial killer, Werner Kniesek, was born nine days before Bundy, on November 17, 1946, at Salzburg, Austria. Most of the planets found in his horoscope occupy relatively the same degrees as those in the charts of Bundy and Cottingham. His chart fits in with the serial-killer signature of the Saturn vectors I've identified. But he is known more as a mass-murder than a serial killer -- presumably because he was apprehended swiftly, essentially because he was egocentric and not careful in the ways he tried to dispose of his corpses. His overall horoscope reflects reality-distortions somewhat absent in the charts of Bundy and Cottingham. Which is to say, I suppose, that he was more stupid than they, but equally hypersadistic.

If these kinds of data demonstrate nothing else, they attest to the fact that the meanings that can be attributed to the degrees have remained essentially unchanged for at least the better part of two centuries.

I've not been able to acquire the birth time of Darren Dee O'Neal, so I can't study the sensitive points of his horoscope. But he was born in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on February 26, 1960, and the planetary placements of that day, found in his horoscope, fits him in very well with the deadly Saturn vector's I've isolated. He was a drifter, a pathological liar, with a "taste for violent sex." He travelled, and may have had some tentative association with satanic cults who practiced violent sex. In any event, he tortured, dismembered, and killed a number female victims, whose skeletal remains were found in various states (see annex 1.)

The ferocious "Night Stalker" of Los Angeles, Ricardo Ramirez, was born two days after O'Neal in El Paso, Texas, whose birth time I have. In Los Angeles, Ramirez committed violent atrocities on at least forty people, ages 6 to 84, thirteen of whom died. His atrocities were particularly brutal, if that word continues to have any particular meaning regarding all the serial killers. It is certain that he frequented satanic cults in El Paso before sojourning to Los Angeles, and his taste for violent sex with his brutalized victims, even with some whose brains had been splattered on floor and walls, is beyond doubt.

Most of the planets in his and O'Neal's horoscopes occupy identical degrees of the zodiac, especially their Saturns found at 15.43 degrees of Capricorn. If you will again consult the circular chart 20 presented at the end of chapter 10, you'll see that this degree has produced a very notable demoniclike spike,

and is also one of the Saturn vectors identified. This degree is occupied by Uranus in the horoscope of the Marquis de Sade, born in 1740, which is to say, 220 years before O'Neal and Ramirez.

Based on these very few similar horoscopes, it might be understood that star-twin serial killers can exist. But these data also confuse the definition of "star twins" as being only those who are born on the same day. Types of star-twinning apparently can exist over time, and although I am not at all prepared to offer any conclusions based on so few data, it would seem that all horoscopes architecturalized so as to fit in with the preponderance of the identified demonic Saturn vectors indicate some kind of star-twinning in far as well as near time.

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Finally, as the last point to make in this presentation, my overall research in astrology has established beyond a shadow of a doubt, that some people apparently do not "respond" at all to what is indicated in their horoscopes -- this, even though the date and time of their births is confirmed and reconfirmed. I have sufficient evidence to support this statement. I also have sufficient evidence that some people only partly respond to their charts, and sufficient evidence also showing that some people are responding only to one or two elements in their charts -- usually the strongest or more pronounced ones.

I have absolutely no understanding of or explanation for why this is the case in these instances. But it is ample justification for not assuming the worst of people born on or

near the birth dates of the serial killers contained in my sample, which anyhow is a small one.

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With this I now rest my experimental case for the astrology of serial killers and will turn to my concluding remarks.

LOOKING INTO THE ABYSS

Concluding Commentaries

Data-sets have been presented in this book regarding seventy-six horoscopes of prominent serial killers. The serial killer data have been contrasted with similar data-sets drawn from seventy-four horoscopes of prominent humanitarians, spiritual and religious leaders.

It is desirable to be clear as to what the data-sets are, since skeptics might confuse the issues by saying that all of them are just astrological gibberish.

Data-Set 1. The positions of the planets in the zodiac beltway relative to Earth (geocentric) can be determined by straightforward astronomical methods. These astronomical positions of the planets are the same positions for them that appear in horoscopes cast in the geocentric astrological method. There can be no argument about this. The planets are where they are, both in the 360 degrees of the zodiac and in the horoscopes of individuals. The study of the seventy-six serial killer horoscopes as a group has demonstrated that 72 percent of the group's planetary and sensitive-point positions falls on only

about 80 percent of the degrees of the zodiac. There can also be no argument about this, since none of this is astrological, being completely astronomical.

Data-Set 2. Astrological tradition has held, however, that each degree of the zodiac has "meanings," and that when a certain degree is occupied in a horoscope by a planet or sensitive point, then that meaning figures into a sum of horoscopic meanings that eventually correspond to the manifesting behavior of the personality that the horoscope refers to. Skeptics, even some astrologers, can argue that the degrees of the zodiac do not have meanings. But if so, then it becomes extremely difficult to explain why behavior in general does seem to correspond to the degree-meanings -- as is shown in the serial killer sample.

Data-Set 3. Astrologers other than myself have published books that attempt to identify the meanings the meanings that can be ascribed to the degrees of the zodiac, and I've utilized these sources in relating the occupied positions in the horoscopes to the prepublished meanings of the degrees. One could argue that the degrees have no meanings, but it cannot be argued that astrologers have not published their versions of them. Meanings established for the degrees range along a negative-to-positive meaning spectrum. I've shown that, as a group, 72 percent of the serial killers' occupied degrees fall into the negative-to-worse part of the degree-meaning spectrum.

Data-Set 4. The behavioral profiles of the serial killers are drawn from outside of astrological expertise. Scientific

studies, completely acceptable to scientists, psychologists, psychiatrists, neurologists, and law enforcement personnel, have established that serial killers demonstrate in common various kinds of destructive and extremely antisocial behavior. Several versions of scientific psychological profiling are used to identify serial killer behavioral characteristics. None of these profiling systems are astrologically-based. I have shown that many of the officially-accepted profiling criteria can also be found stated, nearly stated, or echoed in many of the meanings astrologers have ascribed to the degrees of the zodiac. I have then shown, overall, that these meanings are reflected almost equally in the both the astrological and scientific behavioral profiling methodologies. It is thus as difficult to argue with the astrological meanings found in serial killer horoscopes as it is to argue with clinical expertise regarding serial killer behavior.

These four data-sets, which have been discussed and visually illustrated in charts, are substantiated by light statistical analysis that does not need to be very complex since the percentage numbers arrived at are straightforward.

I admit the following, though:

i. That the serial killer sample I've studied is not very large, and that the addition of more serial killer horoscopes into this pool might rearrange the presented data.

ii. That the meanings established for some of the degrees of the zodiac are either confusing or not very complete.

Difficulties arise in the case of degrees for which 2-sided meanings have been established.

iii. That it would appear that astrologers studying and ascribing the meanings of the degrees have avoided including demonic as well as angelic attributes, this for politic reasons discussed in the text. In this sense, clinical profiling of serial killers is probably more complete than its astrological counterpart.

In listing these data-sets and reservations, it must also be pointed out what I've NOT done. Nowhere in the text have I stated that astrological meanings cause serial killers. I have stated only that the astrological meanings found in birth horoscopes appear to correspond with subsequent behavior and final pathway choice -- correspond at some level far above random or chance expectations.

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The data-sets and astrological correspondences presented in this book in fact establish more questions than are answered.

The most obvious complexity discussed herein is why, in the first place, does a great portion of an individual's future developmental psychological profile and final pathway choices correspond with meanings found in their birth horoscopes? After all, the moment of birth quickly recedes into the past. There is no obvious reason at all why, twenty, fifty, or seventy years down the line through their lives, individuals have more or less

become developmental replicas that have corresponded with the long-passed positions of the planets of their birth horoscopes.

The absence of answers, or even any hints of them, to this enormous astrological wonderment has constituted the on-going misery of astrologers -- much to the joy of their skeptical antagonists who believe that astrology is all hogwash. And I don't have any pat answers to this profound and ponderous situation. It is in fact shocking to me to find that the ominous abyss exists in, of all places, the dark and deadly meanings of some of the degrees of the zodiac.

However, the basic astrological data presented herein cannot possibly be consigned to the hogwash category. The horoscopes of seventy-six confirmed serial killers have been analyzed herein. The total sum of all the planetary and sensitive point positions established by casting the horoscope have, one by one, been plotted according to their relationship with one of the 360 degrees of the zodiac or zodiac arcs.

For the killers, the total sum of all these planetary and sensitive points adds up to 1,131 data points. Statistically, then, on average we would expect to find each degree of the zodiac marked out approximately 2.9 times. This has not turned out to be the case at all. Instead, the positions of the markers tend to collect at certain degrees of the zodiac, frequently dramatically so, while fifty-nine of the zodiacal degrees are not marked out at all, or hardly marked out, in the serial killers' combined horoscopes.

The sum of all the markers in the combined serial killers' horoscopes have departed very significantly from statistical average expectation. In all other fields of human endeavor claiming to be scientific, this kind of quantitative analyses showing the more than significant departure from average expectation is accepted as statistical evidence or proof of something.

There is only one possible criticism to this statistical evidence -- that it constitutes a distorting artifact regarding the horoscopes of the particular serial killers included in the sample. Critics will observe that I might have "subconsciously" selected only those serial killer I "knew" would fit in with the hypothesis, and there are other suppositional observations that might be brought to bear in order to question the statistical results.

The serial killers I "selected" was completely determined by whether their birth dates were available. I included in the sample all of the killers whose birth dates I could locate, the sources of which are given in annex 6. I will admit that there might be artifacts embedded in this sample, though, because it consists of the most notorious and infamous serial killers. These are of more interest than "lesser" serial killers, and so biographical materials concerning them are more abundant and complete.

In this one sense, then, my sample of serial killers may have been preselected -- not by myself but by other writers and

archivists who mentioned their birth dates. If the birth dates of additional killers had been available, I would have included those in the sample.

In order to resolve any suspected artifact distortions in my study, a specific activity has to take place, an activity that is approved standard practice in science. The birth dates of another eighty serial killers need to be established and examined in complete accord with the methods described herein. In other words, the 1,131 markers found in the horoscopes of another sample of serial killers need to be plotted against the degrees of the zodiac in order to discover if the results of doing so are similar or not.

This is called "replication," and in all other fields of inquiry it is accepted as standard. This is the way scientists check out each others' data. But this effort must be independently undertaken by others than myself in order to preclude some invisible distorting factor peculiar to myself.

I hope that in fact such a replication does appear, for I would be exceedingly interested in the results of it.

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The second most obvious wonderment has to do with the meanings attributed to the degrees of the zodiac -- or why they have meanings at all. Here we collide with the proverbial brick wall, and I certainly have not a shred of an answer. It is completely unfathomable to me, for example, that a negative or demonic degree of the zodiac can exist immediately next to the

previous or subsequent one whose meanings are positive or angelic.

Yet the positive-negative meanings attributed to at least some of the degrees can be traced back some distance into antiquity. Later meanings have been added and superimposed, sometimes drawn from highly questionable sources, and certainly confusions abound regarding some of them. Yet, the general correctness and applicability of the degree-meanings are largely demonstrated in the case of my sample of serial killers -- and is also demonstrated via the more than 2,000 other horoscopes I've evaluated against the meanings of the degrees given in literature sources I've not written or invented myself, but merely consulted.

Yet, the degrees apparently have meanings that can be confirmed simply by analyzing the behavioral profiles of people against the degrees marked out in their horoscopes. The profiles are at least generally correct, and in the cases of the serial killers specifically so.

But why any of this is so certainly is a profound mystery.

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With these issues noted as best as it is possible for me to do so, we now have to consider why the positions of the planets, the sensitive points, and the meanings of the zodiacal degrees appear specially to "govern" the subsequent developmental life and activities of the native.

Here, at least, I'll speculate a guess, and extremely cautious and tentative one to be sure. Some kind of biopsychic systemic imprinting appears to be taking place at the moment the babe emerges and takes its first breath. At that moment of birth physiologists, biologists, and neurologists understand that an astounding number of subtle and not so subtle bio-electromagnetic phenomena start up which involves the autonomic systems, the endocrine system, the neuromotor systems, and the entire mind-dynamic sensorium.

It is also understood that biological and mental sensitivities of the new infant begin psychologically imprinting on just about everything in its environment, including the mother, father, and any other human or activity taking place at the time. It is also somewhat proven that the foetus imprints certain factors before actual birth. But the post-natal imprinting is actually of an enormous magnitude, and swift as well.

The imprint elements at birth have a great deal to do with the subsequent behavior of the individual, who continues imprinting for quite some time. We can recognize that some kind of astrologically-based imprint process must be taking place at birth when all the major imprinting systems go into immediate high gear. For, if not, then astrology could not exist at all.

But why such an astrologically-based imprinting process should involve the various meanings attributed to the degrees of the zodiac is completely unfathomable. Meanings, after all, are

abstract in nature, and it is beyond comprehension that meanings existing in what amounts to a largely imaginary zodiac could or even should imprint in any way. But all astrologers will agree that the horoscope is a very good "map" of what is astrologically to be carried "within" the individual from the moment of birth.

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But is the zodiac completely imaginary? The points of the two equinoxes and solstices are not imaginary, and in fact when Earth reaches these in its turning orbit, the seasons also change, and important geo-electromagnetic fluxes take place. At these points, all living things on Earth also begin to respond to the seasonal change-points in subtle and not-so-subtle ways. Organic shifts take place in all animate matter at this time, and in fact, all animate matter appears to be pre-imprinted with these changes biologically and biopsychically encoded virtually down into their DNA molecules.

The seasonal change-points, however, are gross and very identifiable, and also identifiable with regard to psychological shifts that take place in people.

But the zodiac possesses not just four points in it, but 360 of them roughly divided into the 360 degrees. Why the precise meanings of all of these degrees, some positive-angelic, others negative-demonic, should be identifiable in human psychological behavior as ultimately manifested is such a profound question that the mind finally boggles.

Yet the preponderant portion of the degrees active in the serial killers' horoscopes are negative-demonic-meaning ones, and the behavior consistent with the meanings is manifest in the lives of the killers.

The horoscope, then, reflects a kind of map-like imprint that "unwinds" as the life of the individual progresses, in exactly the same way as genetic developments occur because of the "unwinding" potentials they contain. It is only that while the unwinding nature of genetic materials is exceedingly complex, the unwinding nature of the horoscope in terms of resulting psychological behavior is so complex as to be not only beyond understanding but beyond any realities that have existed or exist now.

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Which brings me to a final point I might make about astrology per se and the zodiac in particular.

Whatever else we might think of them, the term "inhuman" is frequently used when referring to serial killers who slash, sexually mutilate, eviscerate, dismember, torture, and tear their victims' bodies to pieces. It has been shown that the horoscopes of the serial killers have in common a variety of kaleidoscopic degree-meaning networks, and that the published astrological meanings of the zodiac degrees involved are negative or worse.

But it is in those published astrological meanings that we do not find descriptive terms employed that are suggestive of the behavior of serial killers we label as "inhuman." That is to

say, we no longer find those inhuman terms as part and parcel of contemporary astrological metaphors.

Terms such as "malefic" and "benefic" are still sometimes used; but these seem to reek of political incorrectness (in the case of "malefic") and elitism (in the case of "benefic.") The planet Saturn has long ago ceased to be referred to as the planet of the Greater Illfortune, and Mars the Lesser Illfortune. In the published meanings of the degrees we seldom run across descriptive metaphors that are indicative of violence, hyperviolence, sadism, hypersadism, and do not encounter at all the contexts of cannibalism and vampirism or even murder.

Yet these decidedly ominous and inhuman contexts were part and parcel of past astrological metaphors -- which, in fact, supported the mythical beliefs in, for example, the actual existence of vampires, weirwolfs, and demonic behavior. Indeed, if someone familiar enough with the nuances of contemporary astrology happens to read Dr. Patrick Curry's scholarly text entitled Prophecy and Power: Astrology in Early and [Early] Modern England (1989), one would think that two different kinds of astrology exist. Dr. Curry traces the history and not inconsiderable social power and influence of astrology in England from about 1642 to about 1850 during which astrologers were concerned about malevolent, dark, and ominous astrological meanings. The power astrology held in England, say from 1600 to about 1785, has been edited out of contemporary history books. Dr. Curry's effort seeks to restore awareness of that past power

in an historical sense -- not, by the way, in support of astrology, but in order to achieve a more correct historical understanding of English society at the time.

The essential difference between the two types of astrology is that earlier forms of astrology were never designed, so to speak, for consumption by the popular masses, while modern or contemporary astrology is specifically designed for that purpose. Contemporary or popular astrology arose commensurate with the arising of concepts of an across-the-boards social equality, of individual free will, and in the contexts of psychological efforts to establish definitive models of the "normal" versus the "abnormal" human being.

All earlier forms of astrology held not only that "the stars dictated and decreed," but that they were "responsible" for the wide spectrum of non-equal differences not only between people, but between various eras of time and history. Simply put, concepts of free will and across-the-boards social equality never entered into the traditional astrological picture.

But the modern concepts of social equality and individual free will had to become central constructs in modern and contemporary astrology if that form of astrology was to be part-and-parcel of the developing modern age. Thus, "the stars suggest, they do not compel," and via our free will we can learn to work with and even cure what our horoscopes "suggest." Thus, in order to achieve compatibility with modernist social trends,

the entire past contexts of astrology had to be rewritten or restaged.

The implementation of social equality and free will requires the levelling of differences, which essentially means reducing the latter at least into social quasi-invisibility. It is easy enough to see, in this context, that two terms central to earlier astrological forms -- "demonic" and "angelic" -- could not be carried forward into modern astrology designed to flatter the millions of its free-will-centered and socially equal users. If nothing else, "demonic" and "angelic" do imply differences in rather epic, extreme, and significant ways. But you will not find these terms utilized in most astrological books and tracts written after 1882.

The point being made here is that modern-contemporary astrology has been sanitized of earlier dramatic astrological metaphors suggestive of dis-equality and limits to free will. Astrology, then, has been humanized on behalf of conveying astrological information to a normative large user public whose consciousness is based on concepts of social equality and free will.

All this, of course, seems entirely logical and consistent with contemporary beliefs regarding how social norms are to be managed by those leaders who take it upon themselves to instigate and implement the managing. It is not the purpose of this book to discuss whether equality and free will exist or are true, and I for one completely believe in both. But external to such

beliefs are the facts of astrology, several of which have been discussed herein regarding serial killers.

We may seek to humanize astrology, and periodically convert and limit its popular metaphors so that they flatter whatever social contexts are in place at any given time. We can level or erase inconvenient astrological metaphors -- such as those angelic or demonic -- and arrive at a kind of equalized astrology.

But then difficulties arise in discussing, for example, the astrology of serial killers, for an astrological form of equalized or leveled meanings does not contain "demonic" metaphors. When, then, in the case of serial killers we encounter a display of demonic behavior and hypersadistic final pathway choice, we find that contemporary astrology is incapable of "explaining" them astrologically.

Well, contemporary astrology, designed to flatter the millions, may not be able astrologically to account for serial killers. But the metaphors that would re-enable astrology to do so have existed in the past when demonic and angelic metaphors were active within astrological contexts.

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It is, however, exceedingly difficult to reassign, so to speak, either demonic or angelic meanings to degrees of the zodiac (or to the planets) after they have been "lost" from contemporary astrology. Indeed, few practicing astrologers would

even try to do so if they wish to remain in sight as being socially-politically correct.

So, we need an example that illustrates this difficulty. The meaning established by Adriano Carelli for the 0 degree of Gemini has to do with "A beautiful house, splendidly fitted out," a refined utilitarianism, an out-and-out self-centeredness, which however, to deliberately quote, "admits of a sincere love of mankind." Esther Leinbach carries through on this meaning, saying that it "gives a reckless and self-centered attitude." She also points up that the individual usually starts negative (?) and has a good chance for working into a more positive development.

Yet, this degree is found occupied, or near-occupied, in fifteen of the horoscopes of the serial killers, including Bertrand, the arch-necrophilic; Swannenbrug, the arch-poisoner; Kurten, Chase, and Riva, arch-vampires; Haigh, Heirens, Shawcross, and Sutcliffe, arch-fiends in mutilation; Mullins, Collins, Bianchi, and Eyler, arch-hypersadistic tricksters who excessively mutilated and tortured their victims before death. All of these could be described as exceedingly self-centered. But we would describe their activities as "demonic."

A difficulty arises concerning Carelli's given meaning as a "lover of mankind." This would not be apparent in from the serial killer charts. And it is worth mentioning that this degree is occupied by Neptune in the horoscope of the abject totalitarian Adolph Hitler, whom history generally agrees was the

arch-demonic agent of the twentieth century, and who was the centerpiece of more individual and genocidal slaughter than any other single individual else during the century. This same degree of Gemini is also found occupied by Venus in the horoscope of the musical composer, Richard Wagner, whose operas many deem demonic, others deem angelic, but which music, in any event, was virtually adopted by Hitler and the Nazis as their own. Richard Wagner was by no means any kind of killer, being rather a metaphysical composer of some epic proportion.

And, indeed, if horoscopes are studied rather than merely astrological literature, it would seem that something epic or extreme is associated with the 0 degree of Gemini. The degree may have 2-sided meanings, but its appearance in the horoscopes of so many demonic serial killers must be taken note of. If the observable meanings, through horoscopes, of this degree are levelled, then the meaning overall loses its epic aspects, whether these be demonic or angelic.

It is also worth noting (if you will refer to annex 5) that the 0 degree of Gemini is very insignificantly occupied only three times in all of the seventy-four horoscopes of the humanitarian-spiritual-leader sample.

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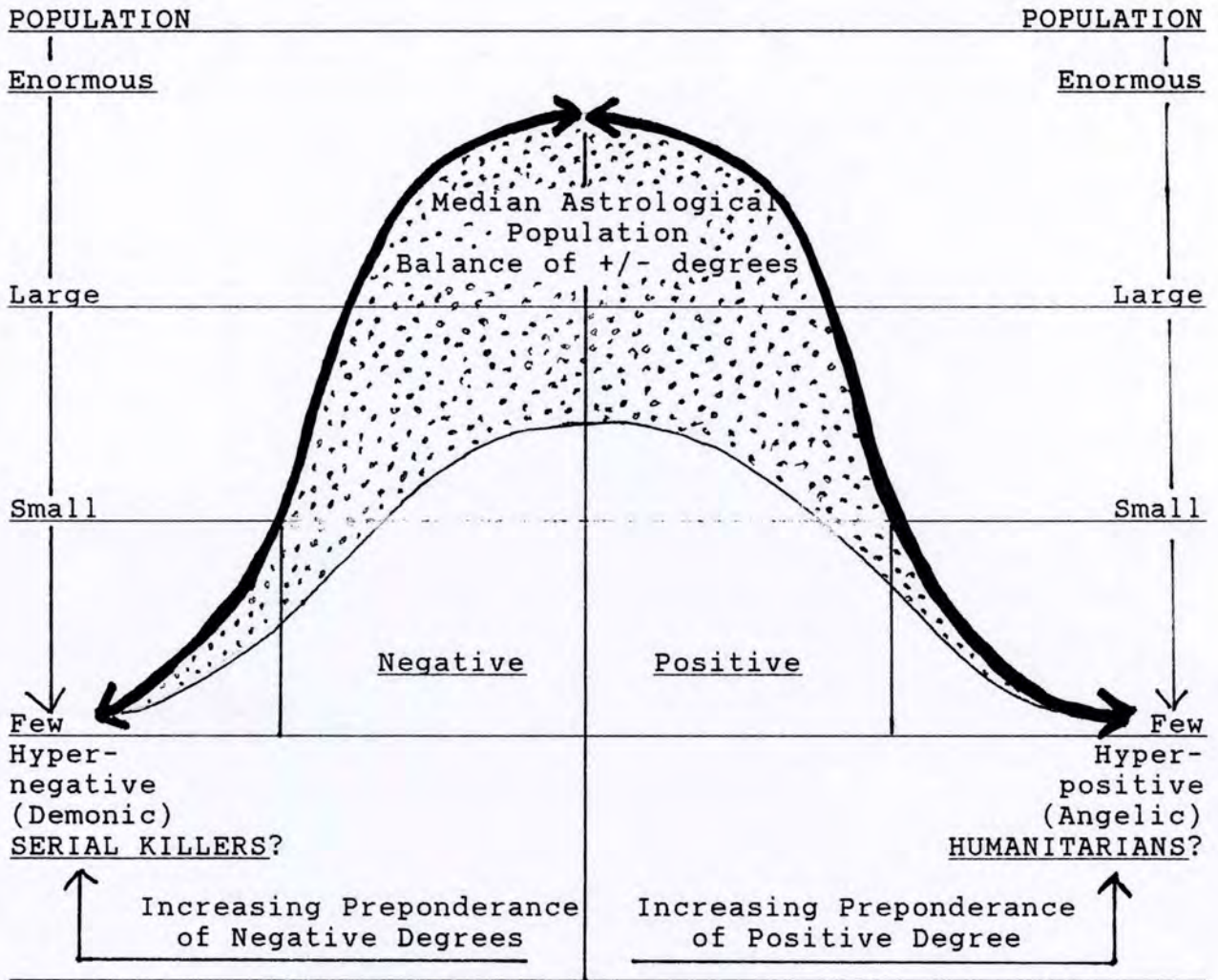
In beginning to wind up here, it is quite possible that a given degree of the zodiac of and in itself cannot be associated with either extreme demonic or angelic meanings. Certainly millions of people have possible demonic and or angelic degrees

spread through and reflected in their horoscopes. What is significant regarding this study of serial killers, and as is seen in annex 5, some degrees of the zodiac are not occupied at all in the serial killers' horoscopes while the same degrees are multiply occupied in the charts of the humanitarians. The reverse is also true. The "gaps" are inexplicable based upon the current state of astrological expertise.

Astrologers of all kinds, though, will hold in common that horoscopes reflect corresponding negative or positive behavior only if the preponderance of the aspects and meanings found in the horoscope lean one way or the other. A horoscope that is preponderantly negatively loaded will correspond with destructive behavior, while one preponderantly positively loaded will correspond with constructive behavior. It might be assumed that the largest numbers of peoples' horoscopes reflect some kind of balances between destructive-constructive behavior.

What may be involved here overall is best reflected in the final chart in this book.

Chart 24. Bell Curve Graph of Total Horoscope Population
 Showing Balanced-To-Unbalanced Shifts from
 Hypernegative (Demonic) to Hyperpositive (Angelic)
 Correspondences to Human Behavior



In explanation of the foregoing chart, the large graph given as chart 23 at the end of chapter 13 establishes that the horoscopes of all of the serial killers in the study show a preponderance of marked-out degrees whose meanings are negative to malevolent. It could be expected, then, that if additional serial killer horoscopes were added to the sample, that they too would show a preponderant leaning toward the same negative degrees, or might include other negatives degrees that have not been identified by myself.

The horoscope of Edmund Kemper shows fifteen out of a possible sixteen marked-out negative-demonic degrees, some of which mean extreme reality distortions and even physical glandular difficulties. Physically he grew to 6.7 feet and weighed over 300 pounds. Ultimately, he killed a number of females, sliced and cooked parts of their bodies, and finally decapitated his own mother, raped her headless body several times, and ate parts of her body. He ground up her larynx in the sink's garbage disposal, saying she deserved it for her bickering at him.

Several of the killers' horoscopes show negative-malevolent degrees of the zodiac occupied fourteen times, including that of, Peter William Sutcliffe, the handsome "Yorkshire Ripper" of Great Britain who slashed, mutilated, and dismembered over thirteen women in England while several more victims are attributed to him in Sweden and France. In his truck, police found a note apparently written by Sutcliffe himself:

In this truck is a man whose latent genius, if unleashed, would rock the nation, whose dynamic energy would overpower those around him. Better let him sleep?

This may represent the final coda for all serial killers.

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In summation, whether we understand how such can be (and we do not), it seems apparent that the dark, deadly, demonic abyss lurks in astrology in the form of ominous meanings that might be attributed to various degrees of the zodiac. The contemporary humanization of astrological meanings has eliminated the metaphors appropriate to this abyss, and hence clues to it are not discoverable in contemporary astrological methods.

As a whole, then, neither astrology per se nor the degrees of the zodiac should be thought of as a humanizing engine whose boundaries can be established by humans themselves. That is, unless all we want is a superficial form of astrology, rather than the virtual form of it.

But, when astrology's demonic and angelic aspects are restored into its metaphors, it takes on inhuman and superhuman and alien aspects that severely alter our concepts of equality and free will. So perhaps it is this aspect of virtual astrology that irritates its skeptics so much, and causes apprehension in so many others.

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As the last word, now, this particular study of the horoscopes of seventy-six serial killers needs to be complemented by similar studies of other identifiable extreme social populations.

For example, the astrology of noted atheists would be interesting, as would the astrology of noted Marxists, as well as the astrology of the power of questionable social leaders. A study regarding the astrology of wisdom and strength would also serve as an excellent comparison. All of these studies would in some way help sort out the meanings of the degrees of the zodiac. I have three of these studies nearing completion, each being a book in itself.

As a last gasp here, it should be noted that the meanings of the zodiac degrees have applications to other phenomena besides those represented by serial killers and humanitarians. The meanings also refer to cycles and their changes, political and social phenomena, long- and short-term economic and financial phenomena, epochs of spirituality, materialism, faith, and disbelief, and periods of crime, war, peace, and discovery.

Annex 1BRIEF BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF THE
SERIAL KILLERS WHOSE HOROSCOPES HAVE BEEN STUDIED
FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS BOOK

Note: I have examined several horoscopes of serial killers whose times of birth are not available. These are indicated below with an asterisk (*) before the name. Without the time of birth, the horoscope's sensitive points cannot be determined. The horoscope in question, then, is for the day of birth only. It has turned out, though, that the preponderance of the positions planets in these untimed horoscopes fall within the demonic Saturn vectors as have been established in chapter 13.

FRANCOIS BERTRAND: Born on October 29, 1823, in Voisey, Haute Marne, France, Bertrand was a sadistic necrophilic cannibal of above-average intelligence whose astonishing behavior is discussed in more detail in the text. In childhood he serially tortured and killed animals while masturbating into their exposed entrails. In 1847 he began harvesting female bodies from dozens of fresh graves mutilating them horribly during frenzies of masturbation. He was arrested in 1849 and institutionalized thereafter.

MARIA CATHERINE SWANNENBRUG: Born in Leiden, The Netherlands, on September 9, 1839, she attempted to poison more than 107 relatives and friends, including her mother and father, after insuring most of them with herself as beneficiary. Twenty-seven died, while forty-five were left permanently incapacitated by the poison, usually arsenic. She was convicted in 1885, sentenced to life imprisonment, and died incarcerated thirty years later.

*HERMAN WEBSTER MUDGETT, alias H.H. Holmes, was born on May 16, 1890, at Gilmanton, New Hampshire. A handsome and suave crook, in Chicago he posed as a marriage broker for young women desiring as mail-order brides to marry husband in the West. Mudgett also ran a hotel for women, called the Castle, in which he captured and tortured unsuspecting women. Police found several torture chambers in the hotel replete with torture devices, and a complete morgue in the basement in which Mudgett and accomplices dismembered bodies for disposal. He is alleged to have hypersadistically killed over 160 victims, mostly young females, but including young boys, men, and derelicts, after first submitting them to days and even weeks of torture.

*SEVERIN ANTONIOVITCH KLOSOVSKI: Born in Poland on December 14, 1865, Klosovski moved to London's East End Whitechapel district where under the alias of "George Chapman" he became a suspect in the "Jack the Ripper" cases, yet unsolved. His body count is not known, but he was an intensely sadistic and abusive, a consistent poisoner who also slashed street-walkers to death.

He was arrested for the murder of his commonlaw wife, and hanged in 1903.

HENRI DESIRE LANDRU: Born in Paris, France, on April 12, 1869, Landru claimed after his arrest that he had had sexual relations with over 283 women, sadistically murdering at least ten of them, then dismembering, burning, or burying their body parts. In appearance he was genteel and dignified. He was arrested in 1919, and went to the guillotine in 1922.

JOSEPH VACHER: Born on November 16, 1869, in Beaufort, Isere, France. One of fifteen children, he was from youth considered vicious, but lazy and shy. After wounding a girl who resisted his advances in 1893, and was put into an asylum where he attempted suicide. Released in 1894, he committed eleven grizzly murders, strangling, knifing, sexually mutilating, and disemboweling seven women and four young men. He showed no remorse after his arrest, and was guillotined in 1898 at the age of twenty-nine.

JEANNE WEBER: Born on October 7, 1874, in Keritry, France, she left home at fourteen to work in Paris. She is described as short, fat, lethargic, and became a heavy drinker and drug user. Long suspected of doing so, she killed twenty or more young children or babies to reach peaks of sexual ecstasy while masturbating. She was arrested in 1908, declared insane, and put into an asylum where she died in 1910.

FRITZ HAARMANN: One of the most infamous sadistic necrophilic cannibals of all time, Haarmann is discussed in the

text. Born in Hannover, Germany, on October 25, 1879, by his own later estimate Haarmann murdered forty young boys and men after sadistically torturing them sexually. He butchered and ate the bodies, and sold select parts as "meat" on the open black market in post-World War I Germany. He was extremely intelligent, or at least very crafty. Like Westley Dodd in the United States in 1992, after his arrest he declared that he would not be able to prevent himself from committing the same crimes, and asked for execution rather than imprisonment. His wish, like Dodd's in 1992, was granted in 1925. It is interesting to note two similarities in Haarmann's and Dodd's horoscopes. Haarmann's shows Mars with Pluto (a conjunction) at the 26th degree of Taurus. Venus is at that degree in Dodd's chart. Dodd has Mars conjunct Pluto at the 6th and 7th degree of Virgo. Uranus is at that degree in Haarmann's horoscope.

PETER KURTEN: Born on May 26, 1883, at Koln-Mulheim, Germany, Kurten was described as mild and courteous, resembling a prim shop-keeper. However, he spent a total of twenty years in prisons on assault and theft charges. In prison, he found sex with men and masturbation not to his liking. One of thirteen children raised in a one-room apartment, son of an alcoholic, abusive, and mentally ill father, Kurten's dreadful childhood, like Charles Manson's, ideally supports the theory that social environments "make" the serial killer. As early as nine years of age, Kurten began torturing animals, and at fourteen was performing intercourse with sheep and goats, experiencing

"overpowering" sexual response at the sight of their blood having stabbed them while copulating with them. As a child, he drowned another but was not discovered. For sixteen years (1913-1929), Kurten killed sixty-eight women, sadistically torturing them, then killing and dismembering the bodies. He often drank their blood. He was discovered only because in 1930 when he told his unbelieving wife of his atrocities, and forced her to call the police. He was beheaded in 1931.

*EARLE LEONARD NELSON: Born in Philadelphia on May 12, 1897, he was orphaned at nine months when his mother died of advanced venereal disease. He was thereafter brought up by a zealously religious aunt. At ten he was struck by a trolley, which left a permanent head injury causing excruciating pain throughout his life. He lifted heavy chairs with his teeth, and read the Bible compulsively, alarming his aunt, however, by his fascination with "smut." He killed his first girl in 1918, after which, by the time of his arrest in 1927, he was known to have raped, tortured, and killed at least twenty-one women of varying ages. He was also suspected of a triple murder in Newark, New Jersey, in 1926. He was hanged in 1928 still declaring his innocence. Although his head injury is a feasible cause of his "insanity," his astro-profile is consistent with those of other serial killers.

JOHN REGINALD HALLIDAY CHRISTIE: Born on April 8, 1898, at Halifax, England, Christie was seen as an eminently respectable man, steady,, hardworking, and decent, although he availed

himself of welfare when things got tough. He was subject to physical illnesses, and had been the frail son of a robust, domineering, and puritanical father. But in the Soho district of London where he ultimately lived, he was considered an intellectual cut above other workingmen and prostitutes with whom he amicably mixed. He apparently had a very small penis, which earned him the nickname of "No-Dick Christie." At some point after 1933, he began covertly bringing prostitutes to his flat, submitting them to bondage scenes, which resulted in their torture, mutilation, and ultimate murder which were what culminated in sexual climaxes for him. Thereafter, his story becomes somewhat complex, but he ended up being accused of about fifteen murders that included one baby and a man, and evidence later proved he had killed at least seven women.

*JAKE BIRD: Before the activities of the notorious and disgusting necrophilic cannibal, Edward Gein, exploded on the American scene, Jake Bird was probably America's most well-known serial killer. According to his own account, he was born on December 14, 1901 "somewhere out in Louisiana where they ain't got no post office." He was characterized as a "rootless drifter," working as a manual laborer and itinerant on the railroads trolling for human targets wherever he went. In the verified cases, most of his victims were women whom he sexually assaulted with axes and hatchets, breaking open their skulls, after first having hacked at their limbs while they screamed in agony. It was their agony that "pleased" him the most. When he

was arrested in 1947, blood and brain tissue were found on his trousers. Eleven crimes were solved through Bird's confessions, although he claimed forty-four nationwide. He was hung in 1949 at Walla Walla prison in Washington state.

EDWARD GEIN: Gein, an astonishing necrophilic cannibal, is discussed in the text. He was born on August 8, 1906, at LaCrosse, Wisconsin. Until the advent in 1991 on the American scene of another necrophilic cannibal, Jeffery Dahmer, Gein was America's most infamous cannibal serial killer who sometimes sold human flesh as "deer meat" to unsuspecting buyers. In 1957, he was committed to life in an institution for the criminally insane where he died in 1984.

JOHN GEORGE HAIGH: Born at Stamford, England, on July 29, 1909, Haigh was early submitted by his parents to the strict regimen of the Plymouth Brethern, a sect that regarded all forms of amusement as sinful. He felt that he had "dark blood" and was soon at odds with the law as he grew up. The number of his killings has not been established because he disposed of the remains in tubs of acid in his basement workshop, much in the way that the recently discovered serial killer, Jeffery Dahmer, did. He drank his victims' blood. He was convicted on six counts of murder after police raided his premises, finding twenty-eight pounds of human fat residues in his tubs, and several sets of dentures, gall stones, bone fragments, fingernails, and a handbag belonging to one of the victims. He was voted guilty and sane, and hanged in August 1949.

CARYL CHESSMAN: Another high-profile serial killer, born at St. Joseph, Missouri on May 27, 1921, arrested in 1948, and who spent twelve years on death row before his execution in the electric chair in 1960. Chessman was famous as "The Red Light Bandit," often posing as a cop to stop a car, then rape, rob, and kill his victims in grizzly ways. In this masquerade, he resembled the later serial killing duo, Angelo Buono, Jr., and his younger cousin, Kenneth Bianchi (the "Hillside Stranglers" of Los Angeles), who also posed as cops to troll for their young female victims. Chessman's exact body count is not known, but as many as forty might be attributed to him.

RAYMOND LESLIE MORRIS: Born on August 13, 1927, at Walsall, England, as an adult Morris possessed good looks and above-average intelligence. He married and was seen as charming; but he frightened his wife by abrupt mood changes, especially displaying cold fury when she balked at his spontaneous demands for sex. He married a second time, but in 1965 he began kidnapping young girls between the ages of 5 and 10, raping them repeatedly, beat and strangled them and buried their bodies in fields. He killed at least six girls before being identified, and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

WILLIAM HEIRENS: Born as an only child at Evanston, Illinois on November 15, 1928, Heiren's seemed to have every advantage his affluent parents could offer. He grew up to be exceedingly handsome, but apparently could not find sexual release with girls, even vomiting in the presence of one of them.

He later found that he could experience sexual releases while leafing through a scrapbook filled with photos of Hitler and other ranking Nazis, while dressing in womens' clothing, and while experience the thrill of burglary. In June 1945, while ransacking a woman's apartment, the victim awoke. He ruthlessly cut her throat, stabbing her several times, and then experienced multiple orgasms while wandering from room to room in her apartment. Then began a series of burglaries and murders of women. He didn't like their blood, and often cleaned their corpses of it. In one instance, he left a lipstick message to the police saying "For Heaven's sake catch me before I kill more. I cannot control myself." He was then known as the "Lipstick Killer." In 1946, he murdered and dismembered a six-year-old girl and dismembered her with his hunting knife. He was apprehended, and convicted to life imprisonment on three counts of murder in September 1946. In 1983, a judge ruled he was "rehabilitated." The ruling was overturned, and Heirens remains incarcerated.

DOROTHEA MONTALVO: Born in Redlands, California on January 9, 1929, Montalvo was raised in poverty, and had an early career in crime -- prostitution, forged checks, drugging and robbing men and women she met in bars, for which she was imprisoned. She received probation in 1978. By the early 1980s, she had acquired a boarding house in Sacramento, California, and was by then grey-haired and thought of as "motherly." In 1988, a social worker reported one of her mentally disabled case persons was missing

after having moved into the Montalvo boarding house. Police began digging in the garden, and discovered the remains of seven bodies, one of which was dismembered. Montalvo was indicted on June 1990 for poisoning nine of her tenants, in order to take possession of their money, jewelry, social security checks or other government benefits. Another nineteen people who had lived with Montalvo over the years remain unaccounted for.

CHARLES RAY HATCHER: The fourth son of an abusive alcoholic father, born on July 16, 1929, at Mound City, Mo. Hatcher spent half of his first thirty years in prison for auto theft, forgery, burglary, and attempted kidnapping of children in California, Nebraska, and Iowa. The latter case involved the 1982 abduction of a boy at Bettendorf. Hatcher was sent to a state mental institution, where psychiatrists pondered his case for two months before setting him free in May 1982. He was arrested again at the end of July 1982 for another kidnapping murder. While awaiting trial, he began confessing to fifteen other child murders dating from 1969, although he said he had been killing since 1959. All the victims, mostly boys, had been raped and mutilated. Hatcher hung himself in his cell at the state prison in Jefferson City in December 1984.

DAVIS JOSEPH CARPENTER: Considered "clean cut" in appearance, and a printer by trade, Carpenter was born on May 6, 1936, in San Francisco, California. In 1960, he was given fourteen years in prison for assaults on women dating back to the late 1940s. He was paroled in 1970. Five months later, he was

arrested for robbery and kidnapping, and was eventually released again in 1979. Almost immediately thereafter began occurring the notorious "Trailside Slayings" in the parks south of San Francisco and along Mount Tamalpais hiking trails. Aside from one male, all the victims were women who had been murdered "execution style." Not all the victims had been raped. Found living with his unsuspecting parents, Carpenter was arrested in May 1981. He was convicted for seven of the murders, while his actual body count remains unconfirmed. In 1984, he was sentenced to execution in the gas chamber at San Quentin.

ALBERT DeSALVO: Known as the "Boston Strangler," de Salvo was born in Chelsea, Massachusetts, on September 3, 1931. He was convicted in 1960 on ten counts of assault, armed robbery, and rape. He was the product of another violent and abusive home. He was arrested several times for lewdness and sexual assaults on women. After his final arrest, police attributed 300 unsolved rapes to him. DeSalvo himself claimed over 2,000, stating that once he had serially raped a half-dozen in one day, spread over four towns. Regarding his murdered victims, all had been raped, sometimes with objects, laid out nude, and photographed. In November 1973, he was found murdered in prison with sixteen stab wounds. Some have speculated that DeSalvo was not the "Boston Strangler." While he may not have been, his astro-profile falls well within the general serial-killer signature-profile that has been established herein.

REGINALD and RONALD KRAY: Identical twins born ten minutes apart on October 24, 1933, at Hoxton, England. As with many sets of male identical twins, Reginald desired females while Ronald desired males. But the two brothers were inseparable, and identical in all other respects -- especially regarding their later serial thrill killings that were achieved together. Their case is discussed in the text. The twins were extraordinarily handsome, sensual, and dapper, but opted for a life of crime, and sought to take over gang organizations, managing to achieve a modicum of wealth by the time of their arrest, together with their brother Charles. The exact number of their victims is not known, but is probably more than eight. They were sentenced, in 1968, for murder, and given thirty years each.

ANGELO BUONO, JR: Born on October 8, 1934 in Rochester, New York, Buono later became, with his younger cousin, Kenneth Bianchi, one of the two "Hillside Stranglers" in Los Angeles arrested for the utterly sadistic torture-murders of ten young women between 1977 and 1978. After a lengthy trial, Buono received a life sentence in November 1985. The killing duo submitted their young victims to sophisticated tortures, often using surgical instruments.

CHARLES MANSON: Born as Charles Maddox on November 12, 1934, at Cincinnati, Ohio, the infamous and very well known Manson is more stereotyped as a "homicidal psychopath" possessing an extraordinary "hypnotic influence" than as a serial killer. The degree of environmental violence suffered during his

childhood, and during his earlier prison career, was abysmal. But repeating episodes of serial violence, rape, sodomy, and brutalizing are notable throughout his career, and his astro-profile fits with the general serial killer signature-profile as identified in the text.

MARVIN CECIL LEMONS: A necrophilic murderer, Lemons was born on June 15, 1936, in Danville, Virginia. In 1980, he was convicted for seven murders, all of which had been accompanied by mutilation and necrophilia. He confessed to grave-robbing, and showed police drawings of his female victims decapitated, stabbed, and brutalized. He once slept with the severed lower half of a corpse, as did a future necrophilic, Denis Andrew Nilsen, born on November 23, 1945. Lemons' exact body count is not known. He was convicted in 1980, and sent to a prison for the criminally insane.

*HENRY LEE LUCAS: Born on August 16, 1936, at Blacksburg, Virginia, into utterly abysmal circumstances, Lucas states of himself that "I hated all my life. I hated everybody." Before the advent of Jeffery Dahmer necrophilic cannibalistic murders discovered in 1991, Lucas was America's most controversial serial killer, together with his sidekick and accomplice, Ottis Toole. Lucas was convicted for eleven murders, and is currently on death row in Huntsville, Alabama. I heard him via a television interview claim he had killed more than 300. The authorities do not believe him, however, although his body count is considerably more than the eleven for which he was convicted, some authorities

estimating sixty or ninety plus. Lucas has since denied killing anyone. A couple of investigative journalists now believe him, and are lobbying in the media on his behalf. So his case has entered a quagmire of legal difficulties -- aimed, perhaps, at avoiding the death penalty.

*ANDREI CHIKATILO: Chikatilo burst into international media limelight in 1991 as the serial cannibal killer of fifty-five girls, women, and boys. He was born on October 16, 1936, during the Stalinist era, in the village of Yablochnoye in the Ukraine. He eviscerated his victims, ejaculating while doing so. He ate the uteruses of many of his female victims, and the penises and testes of the males, often the nipples of both. His story is worth reading and can be found in Hunting the Devil (1993) by Richard Lourie, since this tale reveals the presence in the former Soviet Union of several serial killers, many of whom still seem to be at large, and two of which were apprehended in the course of trying to identify Chikatilo. He is discussed further in the text.

*JOSEPH KALLINGER: Born on December 11, 1936, at Philadelphia, Kallinger was given up for adoption like several serial killers have been, and lived through another bizarre and terrible childhood. His family life included parental abuse, floggings, beatings with a hammer, and repeated threats of emasculation. In 1944, he was raped at knife point by a gang of older boys, and he thereafter masturbated with a knife in his fist. Kallinger later married twice, producing ten children

before 1965. He brutalized his own children, and by 1974 was reported to be hallucinating constantly, holding discussions with a disembodied head, and receiving personal "orders from God." These order included demands that he murder young boys and sever their genitals, a task for which he requested the help of his thirteen-year-old son, Michael, who said that he would be glad to help. Shortly, the two murdered a Puerto Rican youth in Philadelphia after first torturing him and cutting off his penis. Thereafter, with Michael's help Kallinger murdered one of his own sons, Joseph, Jr. Later murders followed, male and female, where the female victims were first made to fellate Kallinger, or bite off the penis's of other male hostages, while some had their breasts slashed. The Kallenger's were arrested early in 1975. Michael Kallinger was placed on probation. After a complex and confusing trial, Joseph Kallinger was finally convicted on nine felony counts, and sentenced to thirty-to-eighty years. In prison, he has continued trying to murder fellow inmates. As recently as 1988, in a television interview, Kallinger expressed his desire to slaughter every person on earth, then commit suicide in order to "become God."

IAN DUNCAN BRADY: Born on January 2, 1938, at Glasgow, Scotland, Brady together with Myra Hindley are known as "The Moor Murderers" who assaulted and brutally killed children "for kicks." The identities of six of their young victims are known, but the actual count of them is probably many more. Brady bragged of often murdering three or four in a day before he met

Hindley. In 1966 the deadly duo were convicted only on three counts of murder; Brady was given three sentences of life, but sent to a mental hospital, Hindley given life imprisonment. The story of their carnage upon the young, sometimes only three or four years old, is sickening. But it included taping little girls' and boys' screams as they subjected them to torture and sexual violence, posing for the camera on the graves of their victims, later to utilize the tapes and photos to achieve orgasm themselves. Both Brady and Hindley suffered dreadful childhoods, and, typically, Brady began torturing animals and companion children while young. He was a full-fledged teen-age alcoholic, and both he and Hindley submerged themselves in Nazi mementos, and "studied sadism."

CHARLES STARKWEATHER: When he was eighteen, Starkweather met Caril Ann Fugate, then barely thirteen. They became lovers, although her parents disapproved of him. Starkweather, the third of seven children, was born on November 24, 1938, at Lincoln, Nebraska, and is described as of average intelligence, though moody with a dark temper. He was extremely myopic, and wore thick glasses from 1954. Photos show him as handsome and baby-faced, Fugate as a smiling average teenager. But Charles was the "runt of the litter," standing only five foot two at age 17. He was noted for carrying a rifle wherever he went. After a run of bad luck, Starkweather shot and stabbed Caril's stepfather, and Caril's mother, leaving their bodies in the chicken coop and outhouse respectively. He then killed Caril's two-year-old half-

sister by shoving his rifle down her throat until she suffocated, and put the body down the outhouse with the mother's. He and Caril then went on a murder rampage, in three days killing seven people. One girl was violently raped. The duo were captured after a high-speed chase in Wyoming in January 1958.

Starkweather was executed by electrocution in Nebraska State Penitentiary in June 1959. Caril Ann Fugate was sentenced to life, but received parole in 1976.

DEAN ARNOLD CORLL: Corll's sordid utterly sadistic activities in the Houston, Texas area became known in August 1973, and involved, as discussed in detail in the text, sodomizing, rape, torture, and agonizing deaths of twenty-eight known boys and young men. He was born on December 24, 1939, at Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

CLIFFORD ROBERT OLSEN: Born in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada on January 1, 1940. The first-born of four children, Olsen was polite to elders, but a bully to his peers. He was a compulsive talker, and of better than average intelligence. In prison, he wrote an autobiography entitled Runaways, Ramblers, and Rascals. Although he bragged of many rapes, exploits of voyeurism, and indecent exposure, he often attended church, and told people that he had found God. His early life was one of arrests for theft, forgery, armed robbery, and escape from prisons and jails. He married his long-time companion in 1981, a few weeks after their son was born. Between 1980 and 1981, he is known to have killed an indeterminate number of children after

first picking them up and giving them alcohol or drug-laced sodas. He first raped the girls and sodomized the boys, then bludgeoned and strangled them to death, abandoning the bodies along highways. He was arrested and plead guilty to eleven murders in January, 1982, and sentenced to eleven concurrent life terms. He struck a bargain with authorities that would give his wife \$90,000 in return for information on nine other unsolved murders. The money was paid on schedule.

JOHN WAYNE GACY: The serial killer of at least thirty-two "straight" and "gay" young boys and men, captured by trickery. He sadistically sodomized and tortured all before strangling them, and most of whom he buried beneath the crawl space of his home in a middle-class neighborhood in Chicago where he owned a construction business. He was born at Chicago on March 17, 1942, and was otherwise considered an upstanding citizen. The grizzly remains of his victims, nine of which remained unidentified, were discovered in December 1978. He was convicted on twenty-one counts of murder, and given that number of consecutive life sentences. In the case of twelve men he murdered after 1977, when Illinois had reinstated the death penalty, Gacy was sentenced to execution.

MYRA HINDLEY: Lover and serial killer accomplice of Ian Brady (who has already been discussed above), born on July 23, 1942, at Crumpsall, Lancashire, England.

CARIL ANN FUGATE: Teenage lover and killer accomplice of Charles Starkweather (already discussed above). Fugate was born

in Lincoln, Nebraska, on July 30, 1943. To help account for the apparent compulsive attraction between Fugate and Starkweather, it can be noted that Mars is at 15 degrees Taurus in Fugate's chart, while Uranus is at that degree in Starkweather's chart. So between them they have a Mars-Uranus conjunction, usually interpreted as prone to sudden, irrational violence that the two shared together. Beyond this one tentative aspect, other astrological aspects associated with sadistic cruelty are independently present in both horoscopes.

ANTONE CHARLES COSTA: Born in Cambridge, Massachusetts on August 2, 1944, Costa was married in 1963, fathering three children before what are believed to be his first murders in 1966, after which he murdered eight young women in Massachusetts and at least one in California. The last three victims had been shot in the head, and their hearts were torn out. The bodies carried teeth marks, and other evidence of necrophilia. Costa was convicted on four counts of murder in May 1970, and sentenced to life. In prison he began stocking his cell with books on ritual magic. He was found dead in May 1974, a leather belt around his neck. The death was held to be a suicide.

RANDY STEVEN KRAFT: Born on March 19, 1945 in North Long Beach, California, Kraft achieved a college degree in economics and, after being arrested in 1983 on suspicion of drunken driving, was said to have a high I.Q, and had worked as a computer programmer, and for a Santa Monica aerospace firm. In the car, the police found the body of a young Marine in the

passenger seat, who had been strangled with a belt. A further search of the impounded car turned up forty-seven color photographs of several young men, some of them naked and unconscious or obviously brutalized and dead. After this, many unsolved cases of brutally murdered men began to be resolved based on continuing evidence found in Kraft's home. In August 1983, Kraft was charged first with six counts of murder, and shortly thereafter with sixteen more homicides, eleven counts of sodomy, nine counts of sexual mutilation, and three of robbery. Prosecutors filed written notice of their intent to prove twenty-one additional murders spanning twelve years and the three states of California, Oregon, and Michigan. His trial began in July 1988, and in 1992 Kraft was on death row. The large majority of his victims had been Marines from El Toro Base, whom he strangled, shot, sodomized, burned, and cut off body parts. He dumped most of the bodies along the San Diego Freeway.

ARTHUR JOHN SHAWCROSS: Born on June 6, 1945, at Kittery, Maine, the son of a career Marine father, Shawcross' biography, descriptions of his psychology and killing sprees, and notes on his trial are found in the recent book The Misbegotten Son: A Serial Killer and His Victims (1993) by Jack Olsen. Beyond the clinical descriptions of his hypersadistic activities, Olsen's book shows the difficulties that psychologists and law enforcement officials have in coming to grips with someone they don't realize is a serial killer type. Shawcross had a reasonably secure home life, scored top grades in school, shared

his money and toys with other children, and later excelled in sports. Behind this mask, even as a child, he bullied classmates, started fires, insulted teachers, tortured animals, especially their sexual organs. He made lonely excursions into woods at night, and said he had invisible friends with whom he talked. From the second grade on he was subjected to psychiatric examinations, but confounded the experts. After serving in Vietnam, he spent two years in prison for arson and burglary. He was paroled to his parents, and sexually assaulted and murdered a young boy and a girl. He served fifteen years for these acts, but was again released as rehabilitated. Parole authorities installed him in Rochester, New York, without notifying local police. Rochester then began discovering horribly mutilated bodies of diminutive women. Like many other serial killers, Shawcross was identified only by chance, but not before eleven bodies had been discovered, with others probably never found. Shawcross is articulate, and intelligently scoffs at psychologists and efforts to rehabilitate him, saying that he can't stop killing if he is free to do so. In his own handwriting he states that there is too much torment bottled up inside of him, that he should be castrated and have an electrode placed in his head to stop his "stupidness or whatever. Please God, let someone help me."

DENNIS ANDREW NILSEN: Discussed at length in the text, Nilsen was a necrophilic who murdered at least fifteen young men, keeping and sleeping with their bodies, or body parts, in his

apartment in London, sometimes as many as five at a time. He was born on November 23, 1945, in Fraserburg, Scotland. He was found guilty of all fifteen murders, and sentenced to life imprisonment in November 1983. His case was one of the most famous England ever experienced.

PETER WILLIAM SUTCLIFFE: Born on June 2, 1946, in Bingley, Yorkshire, England, Sutcliffe was a truck driver, married with no children. He was termed the "Yorkshire Ripper" after his arrest for murdering at least thirteen women, and cruelly assaulting seven more, mostly prostitutes. Beginning in about 1975, he used a hammer to batter his victims to near unconsciousness after picking them up, and a ten-inch knife and a nine-inch screwdriver to savage their vaginas and rectums, stabbing at least one in the eyes for her "reproachful stare" as she expired. When they were finally dead, he placed their shoes neatly on their bodies. He was arrested in January 1981, and sentenced to life imprisonment. With an undocumented body count, he is believed to have murdered many other women on the Continent who bodies were also discovered with their shoes neatly placed on them.

GEORGE ARMOND GALLEG0, JR: With his wife, Charlene, as a willing accomplice, this man/wife duo stalked, captured, and sadistically murdered at least ten young women and at least one young man in California and Nevada between 1978 and 1980 when they were picked up by the police. George Gallego was born on July 17, 1946, in Sacramento, California. He married Charlene in Reno, Nevada, in September 1978, her third marriage and Gerald's

seventh. Most of George's kin had criminal records, including his father who went to the gas chamber for murder in 1955, Gallego himself having had twenty-seven arrests from the age of ten. He was strongly built, and highly aroused by young female children with regard to cunnilingus, fellatio, sodomy, and brutal intercourse. His favorite sex partner was his daughter, born in 1964, who from the time she was six he raped incessantly. After his wife discovered his tastes, she set up a "foursome" birthday party for their daughter and one of her young girl friends. This "went well", and Charlene thereafter proposed that they kidnap "love slaves" when she discovered his tastes, whom she would lure for him from shopping malls, or they would scout for hitchhikers. After raping them, Gerald would shoot or kill them with a claw hammer. One victim was a girl pregnant seven months. After raping her several times, Gallego smashed her head with a rock. His own wife, again pregnant, continued luring victims into their van, and helped sexually torture them. California residents, in unprecedented fashion, contributed \$23,000 to help defray the costs of his prosecution. He was sentenced to death by lethal injection. However, he was transferred to Nevada for additional prosecution, and was again sentenced to death. As of 1991, he was awaiting execution in Nevada. Charlene was given only sixteen years imprisonment for her part in the murders.

*LEONARD LAKE: As a child, Lake developed a vivid interest in pornography, and by his teens he was fascinated with the idea of collecting love slaves and keeping them in bondage. These

youthful desires were eventually fulfilled in exceedingly cruel and deadly ways, including the use of video equipment to record "snuff" parties. Lake was born on July 20, 1946, in San Francisco, California. A large part of his sadistic and murderous activity involves his best-known accomplice, one Charles Chitat Ng, born in Hong Kong in 1961 (whose horoscope I have not been able to acquire.) Ng was the son of wealthy Chinese parents, but always in trouble, and was expelled from school in Hong Kong and also from an expensive private school in England. Their story is long and complex, involving numerous conflicts with the law. In brief, in August 1981 Lake settled on a ranch at Ukiah, California, and later on two and a half acres of woodland near Wilseville in Calaveras County in northern California where he equipped his cabin with a fortified bunker, weapons, and stolen video equipment used to film bondage scenes in which young women were stripped, raped, tortured, and savagely mutilated. Bodies were "planted" in the woods nearby or cremated. The body count has never been determined, but remains of thirty-three female and male bodies were pieced together. In addition, Lake and Ng murdered several people they had robbed. After his arrest in June 1982, Lake swallowed a cyanide capsule, and although placed on life-support systems was declared dead four days later. Ng was arrested in Canada in 1985, and extradited to the United States in late November 1988.

JEURGEN BARTSCH: Born on November 6, 1946 at Essen-Ruttenscheid, Germany, Bartsch was orphaned early, lived in a

foundling home. When enrolled in a parochial school he was sexually molested by a homosexual priest who delighted in narrating sadistic stories from medieval times. In his adoptive home he was alternately treated to episodes of contempt and extravagant attention. His adoptive mother insisted on bathing him herself, including his genitals, up to the age of seventeen when he was arrested for having butchered four young boys he had lured into an abandoned mine shaft, killing each in turn after sexually abusing and then brutalizing them before their deaths. He was sentenced to life imprisonment. But in 1971 the Supreme Court in Germany overturned his conviction on the grounds he had been a minor when the killings occurred. His sentence was reduced to ten years. Psychiatrists protested, and Bartsch submitted to voluntary castration as part of his rehabilitation program. But he died in prison in 1976 of a heart attack following surgery.

WERNER KNIESEK: Born illegitimate on November 17, 1946 at Salzburg, Austria, he was at fourteen seduced by a much older woman who trained him in the delights of hypersadistic torture. In 1962, he slashed his mother ten times with a kitchen knife. She survived, and after Kniesek was released from reformatory, he married an older prostitute in April 1972. In August he shot and killed an aged woman for no apparent reason, which earned him a seven-year sentence in prison. Freed in 1980, he thence invaded a home and after torturing three victims, one being a male with muscular dystrophy, ultimately killed them. He was captured in

January 1981 and sentenced to life imprisonment. The full dimensions of his sadistic career and actual body count are still in question.

THEODORE BUNDY: Discussed in the text, Bundy is probably America's most notorious serial killer, although the term "notorious" seems insufficient in describing his completely savage treatment of young women. Born on November 24, 1946, in Burlington, Vermont, he grew up in Washington state, earned a B.S. in psychology, entered politics in 1972, and worked as a staffer for the Washington State Republican Party. He was expected to "succeed" and his political future seemed bright. Bundy was convicted in Florida in 1979 of murdering two women, plus the attempted murder of three others, and sentenced to death. But at least thirty-nine rape murders are attributed to him across the country. After ten years of appeals, he was finally executed in February 1989. In his final interview, he confessed to twenty-eight murders. His tendency to sadism and violence was visible in his childhood.

RICHARD COTTINGHAM: Born in the Bronx, New York, on November 25, 1946 (one day after Theodore Bundy), he is said to have been a model employee as a computer operator, a good provider and husband and father. Behind this facade, though, existed a violent sadist. From about 1977, Manhattan suffered through a series of "prostitute murders" in which about twenty hookers were picked up, abused, drugged, raped, savagely beaten, sodomized, and killed. The last three of these were attributed

to Cottingham, when in August 1980 it was proven that he had killed the three together in a motel room, setting it on fire in an attempt to hide the evidence. He was sentenced to 60-95 years in prison.

WILLIAM GEORGE BONIN: Known in the media as the "Freeway Killer," Bonin was born in Willimantic, Connecticut, on January 8, 1947. He had a terrible childhood, raped in jail, spending a stint in the Army in Viet-Nam, then in mental hospitals for various charges, including the rape of two young boys. Between December 1972 and June 1980, police in seven Southern California counties recorded the violent deaths of at least forty-four young boys and men. Twenty-one were later attributed to another serial killer, Randy Kraft, the "Scorecard Killer" (already discussed above), while the remainder proved to have been the "work" of Bonin, a stocky truck driver, who was later identified and convicted on ten counts of murder in 1982. He was given the death sentence, and was still on death row in 1991. In 1979, Bonin had teamed up with Vernon Butts (birth data unavailable.) Together they raped and strangled male victims, then as the frenzy increased, often poured acid down their throats, jammed ice picks in their ears, shoved wires up their rectums, hacked and dissected off body parts which they threw along freeways, and bodies along ramps in Los Angeles and Orange county. When Butts abandoned Bonin, he later recruited other accomplices, often then murdering them. After his arrest and before his trial,

Butts hanged himself in his cell. Bonin admitted to twenty-one murders, and is said to have enjoyed his media coverage.

HERBERT WILLIAM MULLIN: Born on April 18, 1947, in Salinas, California, Mullin is said to have been a drug user as a teenager, and "on" LSD and peyote by 1967. He was in and out of mental hospitals, having told his "macho-militaristic" father he was bisexual. Having been released to an outpatient clinic, he deliberately tried to burn off his penis, and he was again committed in November 1969. He was soon released back into society, even though he had generally announced that he believed he had to make sacrificial killings to prevent earthquakes. He heard voices, obeying them by soon murdering, in the Santa Cruz area, thirteen people in episodic frenzies. Among his victims were a hobo bludgeoned to death with a baseball bat; a co-ed whom he disemboweled; a priest whom he stabbed in a confessional. On January 25, 1973, he shot and stabbed two people, while only an hour later he murdered a mother and her two sons aged four and seven. In February, he shot a 72-year-old gardener, but this time was seen by police who apprehended him. His total body count is surely more than thirteen. At his trial he entered a motion to defend himself, which was denied, as was also an insanity defense, and he was given life imprisonment.

JOHN NORMAN COLLINS: Born in Windsor, Ontario, Canada, on June 17, 1947, Collins was a blue collar worker known to be "into bondage," ultimately convicted and imprisoned as the "Michigan Co-ed Killer" of nine women who had been violently raped,

tortured, and mutilated. The women were between the ages of thirteen and twenty-three, and most were at their menstrual cycle when murdered. As in the case of Theodore Bundy, the violence committed on the victims is nearly unbelievable. Collins stabbed one early victim thirty times, amputating her fingers and feet probably while she was still alive. Later bodies were slashed repeatedly, often while still alive, vaginal canals were torn out, tree branches protruding from some. The last known victim was battered beyond human recognition, save for dental records. The identity of this killer, as with many, was discovered only by accident. Collins was given life imprisonment in Jackson Prison, Michigan.

JOHN ERROL FERGUSON: Fourth in a family of eight children, Ferguson, born on February 27, 1948, in Miami, Florida, was mentally unable to complete his ninth grade. He was described, by family and friends, as a good looking black youth of gentle disposition even though in constant trouble with the law from the age of thirteen. A court-appointed psychiatrist, though, diagnosed him in 1975 as "dangerous and homicidal." Nonetheless, he was acquitted of six robberies and two assault charges on a plea of insanity, and was sent to a Florida mental hospital from which he soon escaped. Captured again, he was sent to prison in September 1976, but was released after eight months. Then, on July 27, 1977, occurred the largest mass murder in Miami's history. Ferguson, and two accomplices, entered a private home where they executed eight people, two of whom survived to

identify the killers. Before his capture, though, in April 1978, Ferguson raped several women, savagely beat and executed an elderly couple staying at a motel, shot two passengers sitting in a parked car wounding them (they managed to drive away), and shot to death two teenagers making love in a parked car. Ferguson was sentenced to execution, and was still on death row in 1990.

EDMUND EMIL KEMPER, III: In many ways, Kemper's behavioral and astrological profile (as studied in this book) constitute the straightforward model of the serial killer. Born on December 18, 1948, in Burbank, California, his childhood consisted of a broken and abusive home, in this case, additionally degraded by a shrewish mother. He grew up timid and resentful. Psychologists would say that his perception of his inadequacy gave rise to "morbid fantasies of death and mutilation," and if these were not also revealed in his horoscope, this explanation would have to hold water. As a child, Kemper played "games" of victim and executioners, and he was early obsessed with visions of decapitation and dismemberment, even cutting off the heads and hands of his sister's dolls. Before the age of ten, he graduated to killing and beheading animals, often sleeping with their body parts, sexually stimulated by doing so. In 1964, he shot and stabbed his grandparents, for which he was confined for five years in Atascadero Mental Institution. He was paroled in 1969 to his mother's custody over objections of state psychiatrists. He was now 21, and had grown to a behemoth size of six-foot-nine, and 300 pounds. Beginning in 1971, he killed, beheaded,

dissected, and cannibalized eight known women, including his mother and one of her friends. He was sentenced to life imprisonment in November 1973.

RANDALL BRENT WOODFIELD: Woodfield was the third child born into a loving home on December 26, 1950, in Salem, Oregon. He was a placid child, and as he grew handsome and popular, he received good grades in school, and became a six-foot-one athletic star. At one point later, he was signed by the Green Bay Packers, only to be dismissed in the first season after ten to twenty indecent exposure charges. He then became the "sexual psychopath" known as the "I-5 Killer-Bandit," the terror of eight-hundred miles of highway from Mexico to British Columbia. His total known body count is fifty victims, all female, ages from 11 to 70. By known reports, he never attempted vaginal rape with any of the victims, otherwise forcing them into performing mutual sexual exposure and masturbation and ejaculating in their faces or into their hair. Otherwise, he was known for robbery, assault, forced fellatio, and sodomy, after which he murdered his victims. When finally apprehended, he was given a sentence of, unbelievably, only thirty-five years to life.

KENNETH A. BIANCHI: The willing and enthusiastic "Hillside Strangler" accomplice of Angelo Buono (already discussed above) and Bianchi's cousin who was seventeen years elder. The younger Bianchi was born on May 22, 1951, in Rochester, New York. This serial-killer duo together murdered ten known young women. The torture of the victims, and their killings, were particularly

gruesome. It is difficult to conceive how serial-killer accomplices come about, especially between the older Buono and the younger Bianchi. Any direct horoscope links between the two are vague and not straightforward, but both horoscopes fit well into the demonic Saturn vectors established in the text.

*PATRICK DAVID MACKAY: Born in Middlesex, England, a suburb of London, on September 25, 1952, Mackay's sadism and serial killing profile is redundantly similar to many already given above. Abusive father and family, early fascination with bullying his peers, torture of animals, trouble with the law, in and out of prisons and mental institutions, and sadistically fascinated with Nazi mementos and death. He finally brutally murdered at least five, one a Catholic priest who had befriended him, whom he axed through the skull so violently that brains exploded on the walls, after which Mackay also repeatedly stabbed the corpse with a knife. He was arrested for this murder because of his thumb print found at the scene, and sentenced to life imprisonment in 1975.

*CARLTON GARY: Born on December 15, 1952, at Columbus, Georgia, Gary lived through a terrible childhood, although it was confirmed that he possessed a near-genius IQ. A heavy drug-abuser in his teens, by the time he was eighteen he had accumulated a long "rap sheet" involving charges of robbery, arson, and assault. He surfaced in Albany, New York, during the spring of 1970, at which time began there a series of rape-murders of elderly women. These murders, and other chains of

them back in Georgia, and in South Carolina, were attributed to the "The Stocking Strangler" and/or the "Steakhouse Bandit" who had been identified by witness as a black man somewhat known as the "Chairman of the Forces of Evil." Other chains of murders transpired, and the robbery-body-count ultimately attributed to Gary is difficult to sort out from available biographical material, but is probably more than sixty. Gary was finally arrested, and convicted on three counts of murder in May, 1984. He was sentenced to death.

LARRY EYLER: Convicted in 1986 of only one murder (with additional investigations then still pending), Eyler was born on December 21, 1952, at Crawfordsville, Indiana, the youngest of four children. His parents divorced while he was young. He had difficulties in school and college, dropped out, and eventually became a truck driver living in the Chicago area. He is described as a relatively handsome, rugged, "macho" man, but at war within himself over his own homosexuality that both attracted and repelled him. Between March 1982 and October 1983, he is attributed with at least twenty-one known murders of young men, some of whose identities have never been determined, but to which murders Eyler can be linked by physical evidence left at the scenes or later found in his truck. All of the murders were obscenely violent; victims were tortured, gutted, decapitated, dismembered, all carrying physical evidence violent sexual invasions. Eyler is known to have been relatively efficient at

disposing of his victims' remains, and so his actual body count is not known. He was sentenced to death.

MICHELE LUPO: Born in Genzano, Italy, on January 19, 1953, Lupo was a former choir boy who discovered he was homosexual while serving with an elite military commando unit in the early 1970s which taught him to kill with his bare hands. He later became a wealthy hairdresser in Roland Gardens, Kensington, England. He boasted of over 4,000 male lovers, recording intimate details in numerous journals. Diagnosed as having AIDS in March 1986, after which he freely indulged his hypersadistic urges in a violent campaign of revenge against the gay community. He was arrested and charged with four sadistic murders, but a search of his home revealed that one room had been converted into a modern torture chamber. His diaries were reported to contain the names of many prominent connections, and thereafter authorities began trying to link to him a number of mutilation murders that coincided with his frequent trips to Amsterdam, West Berlin, Hamburg, Los Angeles, and New York. Lupo received four life sentences, which meant "life" due to his known medical condition.

DAVID BERKOWITZ: The story of the "Son of Sam" killer who held New York in terror between 1976 and 1977 is well-known, and need not be adumbrated here. Born in Brooklyn, New York, on June 1, 1953, Berkowitz was a sharpshooter in the Army serving duty in Korea, and later may have been an occasional member of various satanic cults. His first identified knife assault was on

Christmas Eve 1975, followed by five gunshot murders, and six woundings of young couples in parked cars. Arrested in August 1977, Berkowitz was given a total sentence of 365 years.

*ROBERT JOSEPH LONG: Were it not for the fact that Long's astro-profile fits adequately with the serial-killing profile established herein, the cause of Long's behavior could easily be attributed to his confusing genetic make-up. He is known to have possessed an extra "X" chromosome, causing "gender confusion" and his glands to produce abnormal amounts of estrogen in puberty. When his breasts began to enlarge and develop into female ones, surgery was used to remove six pounds of excess tissue from his chest. His childhood was not wholesome, and ostensibly because of several motorcycle accidents, he developed blinding headaches, unpredictable violent rages, and obsessions with sex. He is known to have masturbated five times a day over long periods, in addition to twice-daily intercourse with his wife. This not enough, he began to search for "prey." Between 1980 and 1983 he raped fifty women, thereby terrorizing the Florida communities of Miami, Ocala, and Fort Lauderdale. His identified murders commenced, it is thought, in early 1984, most of his victims being prostitutes unlike the earlier rapes. He strangled, stabbed, and shot nine known victims, with a tenth suspected by authorities. Charged with the nine counts, he was sentenced to death in early 1985.

CAMERON MICHAEL HOOKER: Born in Alturas, California, on November 5, 1953, no murder counts were proven against Hooker,

but he clearly was at least a serial sadist, completely encapsulated in sado-masochistic and bondage fantasies from youth. He was arrested for having kept for seven years a female "sex-slave" captive either in his basement or in a box he had built beneath his bed. The bondage captive, one Coleen Stan, had in collaboration with Hooker's wife, Janice, been picked up by the two while hitchhiking. Stan was kept nude, she was constantly whipped, strangled, dunked in water, raped, sodomized, burned, and submitted to electrical shocks. Finally, in August 1984, Janice and Coleen ran away together. Hooker was eventually arrested, found guilty, and given life imprisonment. Available biographical sources are limited, but it seems inconceivable that Hooker confined himself only to the torture of Coleen Stan.

ARTHUR FREDERICK GOODE, III: The fourth child of a devout Catholic family, Goode was born on March 28, 1954, in Washington, D.C. His childhood in Hyattsville, Maryland, was difficult from the social point of view, and at the age of 21 he was arrested in March 1975 on nine charges of male child molestation. He was diagnosed as "schizophrenic" and agreed to enter for treatment the Spring Grove State Hospital. Since his admission to the facility was voluntary, no one could stop him when he walked out fifteen weeks later, and hopped a bus to his parents new home in St. James City, Florida. In March 1976, Goode lured Jason VerDow, a nine-year-old boy, away from a school bus, took him into the nearby woods and raped and strangled him. When the police found the nude body, they twice questioned Goode. Made

nervous by the inquiries, Goode bussed back to Spring Grove, called in at the hospital, but fled. The same day he picked up a ten-year old boy, Billy Arthe, and together they spent ten days sleeping in motels and touring the capital. The two then met one Kenny Dawson, an eleven-year-old, whom they took into some woods in Virginia where Goode forced Dawson to undress, sexually abused him, then tortured him, after which he strangled him having forced Arthe to watch. A housewife recognized Arthe from newspaper accounts, and called the police. Captured, with a life sentence imposed in Maryland, Goode was shipped off to Florida for another trial where he asked for the death sentence saying he was too "sick" for cure. He was executed in Starke, Florida in April 1964.

*AILEEN WUORNOS: The Aileen Wuornos story has recently been made into a TV movie, and is narrated in Dead Ends (1992) by Michael Reynolds. Her story is quite intricate, and I'll refer the interested reader to the above-mentioned book. She was arrested and convicted for seven murders of men along Florida's interstate highway 95, although authorities feel there were possibly more unidentified victims. She denied that she was a serial killer and that she killed to protect herself from violence of the men she had picked up for prostitution purposes. Prosecutors proved that she often shot her victims while they were trying to flee her, or after they were shot down, and shot once more in the genitals. She was born Aileen Carol Pittman on February 9, 1954, in Rochester, Michigan to a sadistic criminal

father who sexually molested young children and a very young mother completely incompetent regarding family life.

CHARLENE GALLEGO: The wife and serial killer accomplice of her husband, George Gallego (already discussed above), she was born on October 19, 1956, at Stockton, California. Again there are no straightforward correlations between their mutual horoscopes that account for their sadistic, serial-killing affinities.

*OTTIS ELWOOD TOOLE: The serial-killer accomplice and sidekick of Henry Lee Lucas (who has been discussed above.) Toole was born on March 5, 1957, in Jacksonville, Florida. He had a terrible and abusive childhood exacerbated when his mother dressed him in girl's clothing, and his grandmother alleged him to be a satanist and who branded the young Ottis as "the devil's child" -- with some foresight as it turned out. Both Lucas and Toole insist they killed more than 300 men and women. There is some astrological justification in their mutual horoscopes that might account for their affinities for each other.

JAMES P. RIVA: Born in Weymouth, Massachusetts, on June 16, 1957. Not much biographical material is available concerning him, but he was arrested for the killing of his grandmother in April 1980 when he was twenty-two. The body of the grandmother was found shot with her heart torn out. Riva said that he had been a vampire for years, had drunk animal and human blood, which he needed to stay alive. He said he heard "voices", and that his brain felt like it was always on fire. The disposition of this

case is not known to me, but it would seem that Riva was probably a serial killer of animals and had just begun to troll for humans.

*WAYNE B. WILLIAMS: William's story was front-page news in the early 1980s as the "Atlanta Murders." He was suspected of but not proven to be the killer of twenty-two missing black children in Atlanta, Georgia. The killings stopped after his arrest. In 1982, he was convicted for killing two young drifters, aged 21 and 28, and given two life sentences for murder. He appealed, but the appeal was denied. Born in Atlanta on May 27, 1958, he was extremely gifted, and at fourteen built his own radio station which he operated until he graduated from high school. He thereafter successfully began promoting local talent. Some believe that he was not the serial killer in question; but many elements of his horoscope strongly fit alongside those of the other known killers studied in my sample.

*DARREN DEE O'NEALL: Born on February 26, 1960, in Albuquerque, New Mexico, early biographical materials regarding him are not available. It is said, though, that he grew up a drifter and a pathological liar with a taste for violent sex. He had the word "JUNE" tattooed across the knuckles of his left hand, and had abandoned his wife and child six years before the first of his murders was discovered in March 1987 in Washington state. Between March 1987 and February 1988, he was suspected of more than twelve murders in Washington, Idaho, and Utah. Witnesses from bungled abductions remembered seeing the tattoo.

He was extremely hypersadist. He was captured in February 1988, returned to Washington for trial. The disposition of his case was still pending in 1990.

RICARDO RAMIREZ: Ultimately known as the infamous "Night Stalker" who created terror in and around Los Angeles, and northward to San Francisco, between January and August 1985. In the dark of night, he committed savage atrocities and murders on over forty people, ages 6 to 84. He was apprehended only after a vast public outcry, and with great difficulty, and then only by chance and public participation. Born in El Paso, Texas, on February 1960, he was the youngest of seven children, raised in the concrete jungles of that town's barrios. He was nonetheless a loner, avoiding gang membership. He had convulsive seizures, although there is no medical record of epilepsy. He served time in reformatories for petty crime, and had begun drug use at 13. In the Los Angeles area, his first known murders date from March 17, 1985, in Rosemead. He shot and wounded a young woman, entered her condo, killed her male friend, and within the hour dragged another woman from her car and shot her to death. From then until he was captured, he beat, raped, orally copulated, sodomized, mutilated, stabbed, shot, kidnapped, and butchered his victims indiscriminantly. He later said that he was a "devil worshiper" and that satan watched over him. He was captured in August 1983 by a crowd of Hispanic citizens who recognized him from composite police sketches. He was found guilty of thirteen

murders and thirty other felonies in September 1989, and sentenced to the gas chamber. He has been on death row since. The horoscopes of Darren O'Neal, discussed just above, and Ramirez show they were born only twenty-eight hours apart. Thus the horoscopes have much in common, as is discussed in the text.

JEFFERY DAHMER: As discussed in the text, Dahmer is now America's recently best-known necrophilic cannibal. He was born on May 21, 1960, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

*WESTLEY ALLAN DODD: Born on July 3, 1961, at Toppenish, Washington, Dodd, at the age of 22, made judicial history by insisting at his trial that he be executed. "If I do escape," he exclaimed, "I promise you I will kill and rape again, and I will enjoy every minute of it." He had been arrested for kidnapping, repeatedly stalking, capturing, raping and torturing, and then strangling three very young boys by hanging them with coat hangers in his closet. His earlier life history is a repetition of childhood mutilation of animals, and so forth, the tale which at this point has been redundantly told. Dodd, however, brought some new light into the sociopathic personality of serial killers. He said it was his nature and passion to hunt, brutalize, and kill young boys, and that only death could halt the process that was completely beyond his control. He felt he should be hung until dead, because that was what he had done to his victims. The state of Washington complied, although lethal injection is the standard capital punishment in that state. Engineers at Walla Walla prison had to figure out how to build a

scaffold, to which the young Westly Dodd went willingly and calmly in January 1993.

ROBERTO SUCCO: Biographical information regarding Succo is sketchy. Born in Mestre, Italy, on April 1962, he committed an impressive chain of vicious mutilation murders in Italy and France. He was arrested in February 1988, and committed suicide in his cell in May.

DANIEL LaPLANTE: LaPlante is the youngest killer contained in the present study. Biographical information is sketchy. He was born in Worcester, Massachusetts on May 15, 1970. At seventeen, he was arrested for the vicious murders on December 1, 1987 of a young housewife and her two children, ages 2 and 6. During the previous December, he had terrorized another family, but bungled, and so that family escaped harm. His horoscope is heavily in accord with those of other serial killers, and so feasibly he might have continued developing as one had he not been apprehended. The disposition of this case is not available.