

Preface Sisyphus' cyberwork

We are witnessing the emergence of a new counterculture in these years when Pluto is about to run into Aquarius. Young people are calling for change in the face of climate change that seems inevitable, and they are acting more politically than they have in a long time. It's a bit reminiscent of the counterculture of '68. The difference is that the new young generation is extremely tech-savvy and skilled at reasoning scientifically. While the post-war boomers were still fighting against their parents, their fascism, their rigid upbringing methods and their racist view of humanity, Generation Y and Z are acting against ignorance in general. Their parents are not so suitable as enemy images, because many of them are basically on their side, but do not know how to change the world. This helplessness, which has been transferred to the children who were carted to the school gate every morning in SUVs and packed into a world of absorbent cotton, is to be overcome by the new counterculture.

As much as the premises differ: However, one enemy image has remained. Without restrictions and a sustainable way of life, there will be no stop to climate change. Capitalism and the ideology of growth is still the same problem as in the 1960s. However, the alternative model is now no longer called communism or hippiedom, but consists of a variety of alternative life models. Young people no longer read authors like Reich, Marcuse, Foucault, Deleuze, Adorno or Habermas. The youtubers, bloggers and streamers act on problems in real time with the help of their smartphones and don't dwell so much on ideological discussions. To understand their attitude, one must nevertheless look at the precursors of these movements from the 20th century. From an astrological point of view, the cycle of Saturn and Pluto is particularly important. For it marks the field in which sudden mutational changes with Uranus can take place.

Digitization has taken us as humanity to another dimension, while the real problems of everyday life have remained the same. It's as if two worlds coexist that have no overlap. This is also expressed in the single individuals. Especially people born in the 50s to 80s are subject to a strong ambivalence indicated by the opposition of two very different principles with Chiron and Uranus. If we look into the psychological background of their past, we can perhaps better understand what to expect in the future. Often, they led unsteady lives in their younger years and were strongly influenced by either conservative or liberal views from their parental homes - with these terms becoming more and more interchangeable over time. Many were long in search of spiritual attention or developed a general melancholy toward life. Neither religion, family nor home could give them the support that had been taken for granted a generation earlier. Their parents had often been actively involved in the events of World War II and had mostly avoided talking about their feelings. As a result, these boomer children of the prosperity years also had to put their needs on hold and could rarely feel the security that a child needs. Although they were children of the so-called economic miracle, there was often a strange emptiness inside them. Two extreme forms of compensation resulted: an exaggerated drive for recognition or extreme conformity, sometimes both mixed in a strange kind of melancholy and retroromanticism.

They, who now sit at the levers of politics and business in between the Corona crisis and the Ukrainian war, had grown up in the self-image that everything was attainable and society was only an annoying side effect of individual self-realization. When Corona and the Ukrainian war 'hit' them, they were busy working fifty hours or more, supervised all around, wrapped in

metropolitan cocoons, fighting for their 'livelihood' and catching the same pains as always in the tenth edition of a new relationship.¹ Allowing a little time off could already evoke a sense of the danger of being left behind. The lack of identification with their own actions caused by the colonialist system of exploitation led to rootlessness and the selling out of their feelings and willingness to perform to the new neoliberalism that slowly began to eat away at their entire lives like the shadows of Mordor. In order to survive in it mentally, they 'indulged' in hobbies far removed from reality and idealizing world views in memory of a past whose grandiose achievements of emancipation, co-determination and equality were mercilessly caught up by the reality of the 'neoconservative counter-reformation'.

Although it was slowly recognized that continuing in this way was impossible, they avoided any approach to change. It wasn't until just before the Corona Crisis and the Ukrainian war that a movement emanating from their children had focused on the need for a deceleration in which the real problems of the world could come into focus. The 'Fridays for Future' around Greta Thunberg, Luisa Neubauer and many other mostly female protagonists around the world had grabbed science and politics by their honor and determined that the time for compromise had finally run out.² Added to this were increased social injustice, the resurgence of populist groups, and the erosion of democracy by the intransparency of Internet corporations, investment funds, pharmaceutical entrepreneurs and similar. It was an explosive mixture whose political arm was initially crippled by the virus. At the same time, thousands of billions of euros, dollars and yen were spent on investment programs of the new economy.

This corresponds to the astrological signature of the conjunction of Saturn and Pluto in Capricorn. It is the dominant constellation of this time and leads to a striving for efficiency. But as we said, it is not easy to focus on the essentials when you are busy fighting for survival. Thus, new technologies are not so much used to find intelligent solutions to energy and resource problems, but drive to even higher rates of consumption and energy-guzzling hobbies. Industry-bought civic movements try to convince us that we are still in the Cold War between capitalism and communism and that the only salvation lies in limitless growth. Although machines can now do much of the work for us, we rush through life like driven men, finding little peace for contemplation.

The cycle of Saturn and Pluto marks phases of different spheres of influence of power and its structures. In a way they give the norm targets of the respective epoch. Their conjunctions fall on the years 1786, 1819, 1851, 1883, 1914, 1947, 1982 and 2020. The expiring phase between 1982 and 2020 is under the sign of globalization and neoliberalism. It took off in the mid-1980s with Thatcher and Reagan's decision to heavily deregulate and liberalize markets, and is heading for its natural end at the beginning of the third decade of the new year thousand. After that, turbo-capitalism will probably shrink on its own to normal levels due to a lack of resources and new low-wage forces that can no longer be relentlessly exploited. The capital cannot pay any longer its workers.

¹ The astrologically interesting thing about the virus is that it came over us punctually with Chiron in Aries, as it had been the case in 1918 shortly before the world war and in 1968 with the last pandemic, which rushed over the globe in the form of the Hong Kong flu.

² Greta, asked why she did not accept the Pope's invitation, once said that it was a waste of time for her. If we wait for old white men to overcome their third life crisis, we will not bring about the necessary changes.

The next section with Saturn and Pluto in Capricorn will bring us a global bureaucracy that will severely limit the freedoms of the individual for the time being. Completely new technologies will regulate life in a perfect way. Networked mobility guarantees the fastest possible travel in an environmentally friendly way. Factories will be fully automated and take the hard work away from humans. Instead, they will be increasingly occupied with handling the Brüocracy. Medical interventions will be performed by machines and care robots will take care of the elderly. A new green deal will be proclaimed, in which every human being will have to control his or her ecological footprint.

| Phase | Saturn/Pluto | Normatives, Zeitgeist |
|---------------|---------------------------|--|
| 1786 -1819 | Aquarius Enlightenm. | French Revolution, universal suffrage, Napoleon Code, idealism, romanticism, mesmerism, homeopathy, fraternities |
| 1819 -1851 | Pisces Restoration | Holy Alliance, Congress of Vienna, German Confederation, Hambach Festival, Wartburg, Fourier, Comte, Proudhon, Weavers' Revolt, steam engine |
| 1851 -1883 | Taurus Industrializat. | Socialism, Marx, parties, Bismarckian social reform, Darwinism, World's Fair, Impressionism, Theosophy, rail roads, organic chemistry |
| 1883 -1914 | Taurus Fin de Siècle | Industrialization, electricity, automobile, petrochemistry, telephone, radio, film, psychoanalysis, relativity, modern art, Wandervogel, |
| 1914 -1947 | Cancer World wars | Homeland Striving, Central Banking, League of Nations, Monte Veritas, Game, System and Quantum Theory, Jazz, Method Acting, Western, Musical, Bauhaus, |
| 1947 -1982 | Leo Cold War | vassal states, nuclear power, economic miracle, household appliances, television, UNO, World Bank, IMF, behaviorism, pharmacy, new monarchies |
| 1982 -2020 | Libra Globalization | Monetarism, computers, liberalization, multinationals, Reaganomics, automation, environmental and peace movement, New Age, development aid |
| 2020 -2053 | Capricorn Digitalizat. | Networked mobility, full automation, care robots, AI crime detection, appropriate technology, New green deal |

The Corona crisis and the Ukrainian war have shown us how unstable the psyche of many

people is at the moment. Something is emerging that has been there for a long time and that has its roots in the wars of the past and the fear of losing control again. This diffuse fear is also present in the generations that are referred to in sociology as Kriegsenkel. They are the children of the children born during war, born in the cohorts of about 1955 - 1985, and whose lives were mainly shaped by their entry into the digital world.³

Their psychological disposition flowed into the programming of the electronic circuits and is thus the basis of an interstellar consciousness that we are heading towards. They are called Kriegsenkel because their parents grew up as children in the war or in the deprived post-war years. Due to the traumas they usually suffered, they were unable to give their children sufficient emotional protection later when they became parents, so the theory goes. Many of those born in the prosperity years, despite material provision, found no emotional orientation in life, struggled with psychological problems and were unable to build stable relationships, although they seemed to have everything at their disposal that their parents had not had.⁴

Astrologically, a new point of influence was involved, the asteroid Chiron, which played a major role in the acclimatization to the new relationship patterns. Between 1951 and 1990, there was a recurring opposition of the two planets Uranus and Chiron, which led not only to a technological revolution in all fields, but also to emancipation, co-determination in the workplace and at university, sexual autonomy and much more. However, the new freedom (Uranus) was bought with many vulnerabilities (Chiron) and in some places the systems jolted so hard that they almost caused a complete crash in the brains of the natives. Many of the psychological difficulties laid down in previous generations, starting with depression, anxiety and compulsive behavior patterns, hyperactivity, hypersensitivity and split personality patterns were not dealt with and carried over into the next generations. One can see in the corresponding horoscopes the balancing act that each and every one of these births had to perform in their lives.

For many Kriegsenkel, their freedom in the 'best years of life' consists of seeking a thrill in even more extreme sports or resource-wasting hobbies, numbing themselves with drugs and alcohol and taking performance-enhancing medication in order to 'hang in there', to belong, or to cut themselves off from society completely. Especially when they are raised up in militarized societies such as China, England, France, Germany, the U.S., and Russia they have difficulty orienting themselves and are easily susceptible to 'easy solutions' that neglect the complexity of the interpersonal. They do not have good access to their cancer characteristics, to nurturing warmth and contentment within themselves and often lead an unsteady life, are in search of emotional care or, exacerbated by the corona crisis and the Ukrainian war, develop a general melancholy towards life.⁵

The cause of their disorientation is the traumatic experiences of their parents. They were also afraid to talk about their feelings and often showed a rigidity of feeling towards their children.

³ Interestingly, they are the same ones who created the artificial intelligence and perhaps their melancholy and rootlessness is reflected in these new beings.

⁴ Prime examples are David Cameron, Dimitri Medvedjeff and Bashar al-Assad, born in 1965 and 1966, who each embraced a totalitarian idea and betrayed their ideals, helping to create major crises for their countries.

⁵ Similar scenarios can be expected from the people who are traumatized in the current wars. Their road to paradise is paved with danger, touts to leave them behind, gangsters to rob them, and sonic weapons to hold them back. Especially when they come as refugees to countries whose people themselves have not finished with the war traumas and the circumstances of the great depression and experience re-traumatization through immigration, the psychic diseases will not be treated well.

The theme came to a head with Saturn and Pluto in Capricorn in the Corona crisis, where the needs of the older generation (not to be infected with the virus) collided with the needs of the younger generation for material security. Sufferers of the once again unresolved conflict were ultimately the children, who were often left to their own devices, spent days in front of the computer screen, were not allowed to see their friends and had difficulty reaching their teachers during the lockdown. In this way, the old traumas are also inherited by the new generation and fed into the digital reality of war games and consumer manipulation.⁶

In the horoscopes of the particularly unsteady Kriegsenkel, there are strong emphases on the axes. Many planets are at house transitions and thus correspond to the lack of basic orientation. Traumatic and near-death experiences are often associated with birth. Astrologically central to this is the conjunction of Uranus and Pluto in the sign of creative efficiency and competence (Virgo). In the mid-1960s, Saturn and Chiron entered into opposition to this, achieving a form of restless exploratory urge with simultaneous enthusiasm for historically outdated world views. In this spirit, the machine mind was blown and the first chip with 'integrated circuit' was created in the Intel 4004. Its triumphal march displaced all other problems that now catch up with us with concentrated force.

The general dilemma of the generation of Kriegsenkel is the lack of a real perspective on life and collective cohesion. On the outside, one was born into the economic miracle, materially nothing was lacking, the will of the parents to raise 'educational champions' is there - but the real needs of the child were often not seen. Due to the traumas from the war, feelings and the showing of weakness were suppressed by the parents and so the Kriegsenkel were often unable to develop a stable identity based on a role model. The shame of admitting one's own discomfort is also so great because 'you were so preferred'. And one has not really got to know his own needs in order to be able to describe them more precisely. The slightest deviation from the routine could throw the parents out of their rhythm. And so, they pretended that everything was fine, learned to play roles so perfectly that they often confused their own identity with the role. So many of them remained in jobs that make them sick or in relationships that have long since broken down.

The years of the Kriegsenkel can be identified astrologically with the constellation between Chiron and Uranus from 1950 - 1990.⁷ More than 40 years as the duration of the opposition between Uranus and Chiron is unusually long; it arises from the fact that Chiron's orbit is eccentric. In its slow phase in the signs Aquarius to Gemini, it has about the same speed as Uranus.⁸

⁶ Those born with Chiron/Uranus can work on their role as parents if they look at themselves to see what is personally connected with the theme of freedom and patterns of dependency and what unnecessary restrictions they carry around.

⁷ The core time of the Kriegsenkel, which is often chosen even more narrowly in the literature, agrees in essence with the dwell time of Neptune in Scorpio (1956 to 1970) and denotes an insatiable longing for security.

⁸ The previous oppositions of Chiron and Uranus were much shorter. In the one of 1846 and 1847 Karl Marx wrote the communist manifesto, in Berlin there was the potato revolution and in Ireland the famine. In addition the Mexican war and the Sikh uprising in India. Liberia is founded, Neptune is discovered and Edison is born, Hindenburg and Anna Kingsford, one of the most important women's rights activists of the 19th century. In the 1743 OP, one of the brightest comets of all time is sighted with an unusually fanned out tail, and the War of the Austrian Succession rages. Thomas Jefferson, the author of the American Declaration of Independence is born and Antoine Lavoisier, the founder of chemistry.

The assignment to the Kriegsenkel is not only made according to the years. If these also roughly determine the age cohort of the respective group, it is also important to which group one sees oneself belonging based on one's own life contexts in the context of a 'transgenerational passing on of war-related burdens'.⁹ Therefore, I discuss the five phases that Chiron and Uranus contested during this period again individually; the time of the civil rights movements in the 50s, the hippies of the 60s, the peace movement of the 70s, the youth cultures of the early 80s and the New Wave and nerd communities of the late 80s. Everyone developed a different identification with one of these time phases and formed a different preference. Hardly anyone, however, remained completely untouched by the themes of one of these periods.

We could identify wonderfully with the freedoms that were won during these phases. But for the difficulties in finding one's own path in life, there are also factors of the past: the previous two world wars, the Cold War, the neo-liberal agenda and the transformation of village and city. Only four generations earlier, most people still lived in villages and had no knowledge, even by hearsay, of the things that have become second nature to the children of the student revolution. Only a few had the path to an academic career open to them. In the middle of the 20th millennium, however, there was a rapid demographic development in the OECD countries. Families became smaller, but the pressure to perform increased due to individualization. A certain level of prosperity made it possible for children to have a varied education - combined with the expectation of a return on investment.

Accordingly, many Kriegsenkel also developed quite a passable biography, a lifestyle with which they would have been worth something in all previous generations on this planet. But not in this time. For the demands became ever higher, the speed of life changes ever greater and the technological progress of digital media immense. The resulting dilemma of aspiration and realization reached its climax in the economic crisis of the early 2000s, when the feigned sense of well-being collapsed like a house of cards.¹⁰

⁹ See also Hartmut Radebold, *Abwesende Väter und Kriegskindheit. Alte Verletzungen bewältigen*, Klett-Cotta, 2010

¹⁰ Emotionally worst of all also in Germany for those who had grown up in the GDR, had been driven into a debt trap or could not cope in health terms with the willingness of the many millions of immigrants to work in simple jobs.

| Uranus / Chiron | Uranus | Chiron |
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| 1955 - 1962 Leo/Aquarius Civil rights activist | Sexual liberation, beatniks, existentialism, civil rights movement, Amnesty International, Montgomery bus strike, Kennedy, Dean, Monroe, Miller, Reich, Marcuse, Fromm, Lilly, Leary, Che | Mc Carthy era, anti-communism, blacklist, truth drugs, psychological manipulation, Kennedy assassination, thalidomide, Haldol, Eichmann trial, Cuban Missile Crisis, EEC |
| 1962 - 1969 Virgo/Pisces Health and Care | Hippies, communes, drugs, rock, flower power, student movement, social protest, Beatles, Esalen, cultural revolution, lifestyle reform, pill, children's shops, Sesame Street, Pippi (film, series) | Spiegelaffäre, Vietnam War, Napalm, Notstandsgesetze (germany), Edgar Hoover, assassination of Luther King, Malcolm X, Benno Ohnesorge, Rudi Dutschke, Six Day War, |
| 1969 – 1976 Libra/Aries Peace movement | Greenpeace, liberalization, women's rights, §218, co-determination, equality, squatting, Bhagwan, ZEGG, Jesus People, NLP, genuflection, social sculpture, sit-ins, Pan Tau, Catweazle | Left-wing terrorism, RAF, German Autumn, oil crisis, Yom Kippur War, Guillaume, military regime in South America, Watergate, Brokdorf, |
| 1976 – 1983 Scorpio/Taurus Youth culture | Anti-nuclear movement, Die Grünen, Punk, Reggae, Ska, Gothic, Popper, Metal, New Wave, Disco, NDW, Salutogenesis, Chaos theory, Transhumanism, Rubik's Cube, Bourdieu, Luhmann, Giddens, | Neoliberalism, Hezbollah, Reaganomics, Brixton Riots, NATO Double Decision, Iran/Contra Affair, Khomeini, Lebanon War, death of Lennon, Marley, Beuys, AIDS, Echelon, smashing of AT&T, murder of Aldo Moro, |
| 1983 - 1990 Sagittar:/ Gemini Nerds and business | Microsoft home computer, Apple, Atari, Compact Disc, Greenspan, World Wide Web, Depeche Mode, Madonna, Michael Jackson, Live Aid, fall of the Berlin Wall, end of Apartheid, | collapse of the USSR, Chernobyl, Five Eyes, Challenger catastrophe, Neue Heimat scandal, Pizza Connection, stock market crash, Schönhuber, Le Pen, Lega Nord, murder of Olof Palme, Three-mile island |

We are not surprised to see the planet Uranus involved in this development. For revolutions are astrologically under its banner. In all revolutionary charts it has a great influence.¹¹ But what is astonishing is the involvement of Chiron. This small asteroid, discovered only in 1977, has just completed its first full orbit. And yet, in modern horoscope interpretation, it plays almost as large a role as the ancestral planets of the star system. Its presence in opposition with Uranus for forty years can help us to arrive at deeper patterns of interpretation and explain its effects. Chiron carries with him a sensitivity to his fellow man that stems from a tragic story. The Greek god was born with a handicap among the Centaurs, wild fellows who were not particularly concerned with culture (Sun square Mars). There are two horoscopes for Chiron, one of the first photo sighting and one of his identification by a human. I find the former more meaningful.¹²

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¹¹ At the storming of the Bastille, Uranus is in conjunction with Jupiter and Venus at cusp 8, Pluto is in Aquarius, at the Russian Revolution it is in opposition to Saturn in Aquarius, at the founding of the USA it is at the Descendant with Moon in Aquarius, at the Paulskirche Constitution Saturn, Uranus and Pluto were in conjunction in Aries and the Orange Revolution in Ukraine Uranus is in Aries in a T-square with Pluto and Jupiter.

¹² <http://janswebsites.altervista.org/astro/astro-chiron-de.html>