

Astronomical Society of South Africa
Cape Centre

18th Session 1931-2

Minutes of 2nd meeting of Session

Held at Benson House 1931. September-16. at 8.15 pm

Presided Mr. H. Horrocks F.R.A.S. in the chair, there was a good attendance

Minutes of meeting held 1931 Aug 19 were read and confirmed

The following nomination for membership was submitted to the meeting.

Rev. G. F. F. F.R.S. Wesley Maunse, Fort Beaufort. - and Declared elected.

Mr R. Watson read a paper on "The Zodiacal Light." Mr Watson gave a description of observations of the light, as also of the zodiacal band and the Gegenschein, and discussed various theories that have been suggested to account for the phenomena

After some discussion and questions had been replied to; the Chairman thanked Mr. Watson for his paper and the able way in which it had been presented to the meeting.

Mr H. G. Mason gave an address on "The value of Astronomy as a practical training." He said that the ~~knowledge~~ experience obtained through employment for a short period at an observatory at Durban had been of great assistance to him as a member of the Engineering Staff of the City Council of Cape Town. The mathematical consideration of several engineering undertakings, having been intrusted to him. A large number of photographs of these works were shown through the epidiascope.

A vote of thanks terminated the proceedings

Horrocks

21 Oct 1931