

Astronomical Society of South Africa (Cape Centre)

Twenty-second session

Minutes of eighth Ordinary Meeting, ^{held at} ~~of the session~~
Yorkshire House, 38 Strand Street, Cape Town on Wednesday the 17th June 1936, at 8.15 P.M. Mr. D. C. Alletson was in the Chair. There was a good attendance.

The Minutes of ordinary Meeting held on the 20th May 1936 were read and confirmed.

The following nomination was received and submitted to the committee for consideration: Mr. F. N. Hobern, of Inari, Heatherton Road, Newlands. {
Hon. Mr. A. W. Long
Sec. Mr. R. Watson

Mr. Alletson informed members that the following contributions towards the Telescope Fund had been received: £5 from Mr. D. G. McIntyre, £1 from Mr. A. Pilling, and half a guinea from Mr. J. Simenthoff. The gift of a watch to show sidereal Time had been received from Mr. E. J. Steer, while Mr. A. W. Long had donated several star maps, atlases, and journals to the Centre's observatory. The meeting showed its appreciation of these gifts in the usual manner.

The Rev. P. Macpherson described an interesting evening spent at the Centre's observatory. The definition of celestial objects $\$$ in the field of the telescope was very satisfactory.

Saturn's rings were observed by Capt. D. Cameron-Swan on the 12th of the month, when, in spite of good definition, the rings were just visible. Dr. Jackson reported that the rings had been observed at the Royal Observatory as recently as the day of the meeting.

Dr. R. H. Stoy illustrated his lecture on "Nebulae" with a number of very fine slides, and members listened to a most interesting and instructive talk on the subject. At the conclusion of the lecture Dr. Stoy replied to some questions

~~put~~ put to him by ^{the} Rev. Macpherson. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the lecturer for his interesting address.

It was announced that Mr. R. Watson would speak on Kepler's Laws, etc., at the next meeting.

This ended the proceedings.

D. C. Allerton

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