

## Astronomical Society of South Africa (Cape Centre)

## Thirtieth Session.

Minutes of fifth Ordinary Meeting of the Session, held at the Royal Observatory on Wednesday the 15<sup>th</sup> March 1944 at 8.15 P.M. Dr. Hay presided. The ~~other~~ meeting was well attended.

The Minutes of Ordinary Meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup> Nov 1943 were read and confirmed.

The following gentlemen whose names had been considered and passed by the Committee, were unanimously elected members of the Society: Mr F. N. Heyn, Marquard, O.F.S. for Mr. Menzies, sec. Dr. Hay; Mr F. A. S. Schimper, P.O. Box 84, Marquard, O.F.S., for Mr. Menzies, sec. Dr. Hay.

Dr. Hay informed the meeting that two former members of the Johannesburg Centre, Dr. Alden and Mr. Venter, had asked to rejoin the Society, and it was agreed to accede to this request, their subscriptions to become payable in July, the new Financial year.

Miss Flux gave an interesting physiological explanation of the redness of the night sky as seen by Dr. Fysh. The speaker did not agree with the Harvard explanation <sup>for</sup> of the apparent size of the moon near the horizon.

Mr. Hirst expounded a <sup>capture</sup> theory to account for the atmosphere on Titan, a satellite of Saturn.

Mr. Krumm gave some interesting facts relating to Jupiter's 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> satellites.

This concluded the business for the evening.

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