

Minutes of Committee Meeting Held at the Royal Observatory  
Monday, 25th August, 1958 at 8 p.m.

Present:- Mr. P. G. S. in the Chair, Messrs Bentley, Dilton,  
 Tibbitts, Johnston, Weinberg, Simenhoff, Meadows  
 and the Honorary Secretary.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. Krum.  
 The minutes of the previous Committee meeting were read  
 and confirmed. Acting therefrom, it was decided that Mr.  
 K. F. Johnston be re-elected as the ~~Centre~~<sup>Centre's</sup> Representative on  
 Council.

When the main item on the agenda - the drawing up  
 of a new programme of Centre activities during the coming  
 year - arose, Mr. Dilton remarked that the Centre should have  
 more lectures, as he attributed the poor attendance at  
 meetings to the ~~lack~~<sup>inadequacy</sup> of suitable lectures, brought about by  
 film hours and other external activities. Accordingly a  
 fuller programme was decided on, and it was hoped that  
 the lectures up till the end of 1958 would include an  
 address by the Chairman on "Variable Stars in the Galaxy",  
 one by Dr. Stoy on the I.A.U., and one by Dr. Eggen or another  
 visiting Astronomer. These provisional arrangements were not  
 fixed for specific dates, as they were subject to the avail-  
 ability and convenience of the prospective lecturers.

It was also provisionally decided to hold the Centre  
 Annual Observational Evening on 21st February '59, subject to  
 H.M.A.'s permission, and a film show in April. Mr. Wein-  
 berg brought up the question of how members could be  
 more active in the Centre. The chairman suggested that  
 future Committee meetings be held at Committee members' homes,  
 and it was decided that this would be a good move.  
 It was resolved to hold another Committee meeting in October or  
 November, whereupon the meeting adjourned.

P. J. Smith