

Astronomical Society of South Africa

Annual General Meeting.

The Annual General Meeting of the Society was held at the Royal Observatory on Wednesday 28th July 1948 at 8 P.M. Mr Hirst presided. The attendance was fair.

The Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on the 23rd July 1947 were read and confirmed.

The Financial Statement was presented and read by Mr. Krumm. The balance in hand was £63. . . . On the motion of Mr. Trevelth rec. by Mr. Orben, the statement was adopted.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Orben, Hon. Auditor, proposed by Mr. Krumm, ~~rec.~~ by Dr. Stoy, was passed unanimously.

A vote of thanks to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Krumm, proposed by Dr. Stoy, was passed with acclamation.

The following officers were declared elected for the session 1948-49: President: Dr A E H Bleksley.

Vice-Presidents: Dr Jackson, Mr Bentley, Mr Finson.

Hon Secretary: Mr Meyjes. Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Krumm.

Members of Council: Mr. Finnis, Dr. Stoy, Dr. Paraskevopoulos, Dr. Knox-Thaw, Mr Johnson (9' Burg) and Capt. Cameron-Iwan.

Mr. Hirst said that he would like to see some nominations for officers of Council from members of the Society. At present the outgoing Council was forced to elect the new Council for each year owing to lack of any other nominations.

The reports of the Meteor Section, presented by Mr. Venter, the Variable Star Section presented by Mr. de Kock, the Computing and Double Star Observing Sections presented by Mr. Hirst, were read to the meeting by Mr. Hirst.

The Annual Report of Council was read by Mr. Hirst and on the motion of Mr Krumm rec. by Mr. Davies, adopted by the meeting.

The Hon. Secretary was instructed to write letters of appreciation for work done for the Society to Messrs Venter, Archer, and Dr. Kirchhoff.

The Presidential Address, in the absence overseas of Dr. Jackson, was read by Mr. Hirst, and listened to with enjoyment by those present, who accorded Dr. Jackson and Mr. Hirst a hearty vote of thanks for the address.

The Chairman informed members that Mr. Archer was to construct an occultation predicting machine, and would like to hear from members residing at a distance from Cape Town and Johannesburg and who required predictions of occultations.

The meeting ended at 9.25 P. M.

A. E. H. Bleksley

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