

27. COMMISSION DES ETOILES VARIABLES

Report of Meetings, 26 and 31 August 1964

PRESIDENT: P. Th. Oosterhoff.

SECRETARY: R. P. Kraft.

Business Meeting

I. FUTURE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

The following officers and members were approved:

President: G. H. Herbig.

Vice-President: L. Detre.

Members: Arp, Walraven, Feast, Kholopov, Ledoux.

II. FINANCIAL RESOLUTIONS APPROVED

(1) Commission 27 requests of the Finance Committee of the IAU a grant of \$700 for the publication of an English Version of the remarks in the Second Supplement to the 2nd Edition of the *General Catalogue of Variable Stars*.

(2) Commission 27 requests of the Finance Committee of the IAU a grant of \$700 for the publication of an English Version of the 2nd Edition of the *Catalogue of Stars Suspected of Variability*.

(3) Commission 27 requests of the Finance Committee of the IAU a grant of \$1000 for the publication of two sections of charts of variable stars south of declination -30° , which are being prepared by Mr Frank Bateson.

III. SCIENTIFIC RESOLUTIONS

(1) There should be a centre, perhaps with the AAVSO or with the RAS, for the safe-keeping of copies, preferably on microfilm, of photoelectric observations of variable stars, which cannot, for financial or other reasons, be published in the Journals.

(2) A continuation of the *Geschichte und Literatur* was deemed desirable with greater emphasis on the current literature. Astronomers are urged to send reprints of their work on variable stars to Dr Schneller in Potsdam.

(3) The co-operation of governments, universities, and plate manufacturers in providing adequate supplies of plates for astronomical work, and especially for sky patrols, was recommended.

(4) It was resolved that a Joint Symposium with Commission 42 be sponsored in Bamberg in 1965, with an Organizing Committee consisting of one member from each of the two Commissions, and with Dr Strohmeier accepting the responsibility as local host.

(5) Resolutions (1) through (5) on page lviii of the *Draft Report* were all adopted.

(6) It was resolved that two new constellations, the LMC and the SMC, be outlined strictly for the purpose of variable-star nomination. The exact boundaries and details of the numbering system are to be left to a subcommission of 27.